



## Puberty Necklace

**Date**

c. 1880

**Primary Maker**

Athapaskan

**Medium**

Wood, tanned hide, porcupine quills, ochre, dye, mammal teeth, goose quills(?), swan quills(?)

**Description**

This necklace is associated with young girls' coming of age rites. The delicate amulets that hang from the necklace likely possessed power or granted protection for a young girl on the cusp of her childbearing years.

**Dimensions**

Overall: 13 × 8 × 3/8 in. (33 × 20.3 × 1 cm)