

# Basic Detail Report

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## Cup

### Date

c. 1795-1820

### Medium

Maple burl, leather strap, sewing pins

### Description

This finely carved burl cup was used for drinking. The attached carved barrel was slung over the owner's belt. The carving on the cup features two beavers, two sturgeon or pike, two hearts and a rosette. The imagery is a mix of Native American motifs and Canadian folk art-inspired hearts and rosette. The rum barrel on the belt loop may be a reference to the role of rum consumption in an annual ceremony of the White Panther cult where the rum provided the members with visionary experiences. There are two other belt cups by the same maker in collections in Canada and the United States.

### Dimensions

Overall: 2 × 3 3/4 × 7 3/4 in. (5.1 × 9.5 × 19.7 cm)