

Basic Detail Report



Drum

Date

1875-1925 ca.

Primary Maker

Iban people

Description

Bowl-shaped wooden body, open at the bottom, with cow or goat-skin head attached with rattan laces. Traces of white fur on the head, which is tuned by tightening the laces. Frame drums such as this appear throughout Malaysia. Their specific musical functions vary according to region, they are generally played to accompany ceremonial or theatrical songs and dances. This drum may be from the Iban tribe of the Dayaks, an indigeneous people of Malaysia on the island of Borneo, also referred to as Sea Dayaks. Examples like this have also been known among the Temiar people of the Malay Peninsula.

Dimensions

Diameter: 400 mm Height: 160 mm