

Gameboard

Artist/Maker Unknown, Baule

Medium Wood

Description

Gameboard on a stool-like pedestal consisting of a rectangular block with small excavated rectangular sections and a platform with zigzag incisions. Diagonal incisions are on the edges of the board. Relief images of a snake, fish and face are on the median element on top that divides the six cups on each side. This type of

seed capture game is played widely in Africa and is conventionally known among anthropologists by the term mancala.

Dimensions 7 1/2" x 19 1/8" x 7 5/8"

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