

Basic Detail Report

Title Covered Basket

Date about 1840

Primary Maker Mohegan People

Medium Plain-woven ash and oak

Description Rectangular covered storage basket made of plain-woven ash and oak. The square rim is single wrapped and double reinforced, with half-round interior and reinforcement and flat exterior reinforcement. The basket has a flared shoulder. The warp and weft splints are medium width and regular. Unit, tight geometric, and open geometric designs, including stamped circles and medallions, are painted in Spanish brown (?), Mohegan pink, and indigo. The basket is stamped, both around and as part of the medallion, with Spanish brown. This basket combines a number of Pequot and Mohegan traits; it may represent intermarriage between those two groups, or simply their exposure to one another's basketry. The basket also displays the strong influence of the Oneida People.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width x depth): 11 x 21 5/8 x 15in.

(27.9 x 54.9 x 38.1cm)