



## ETHIOPIAN MILK VESSEL

**\$280**

c. 1900 • Ethiopia • Leather, Natural Material • Collection #CJJ005

H: 7.5" Dia: 5.5"

The Borana Oromo people of southern Ethiopia and northern Kenya are historically a cattle-keeping culture, and each household keeps a number of traditional vessels for storing and churning cow's milk. This rounded vessel would have been used within the home, always filled with rich milk in case of a visitor or special occasion. This vessel is made of a dried-out gourd fitted with leather straps to form a simple braided handle. A fantastic display of Ethiopian handicraft, this African vessel offers rich texture and storied history.



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