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IGALA INCISED VESSEL

\$4,580

c. 1900 • Nigeria • Terra Cotta • Collection #CAA0112

H: 14.0" Dia: 16.0"

African pottery is revered for combining a simplicity of form with astonishing beauty and sophistication. Even an everyday object, like this water vessel, is richly balanced and deep in character. The vessel's varied textures come from its utilitarian design. The dimples, geometric markings and bands were incised by the potter to give its holder a better grip, creating complex patterns that achieved further character with the touch of time and use. Many Igala pots are recognized by their proud bulbous form and slight upturned, sculptural lip.



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