

Basic Detail Report



Box

Primary Maker

Unidentified artist

Medium

Wood, gold and black lacquer

Description

This lacquer box is decorated with patterns of hollyhock leaves and flowers in gold and silver on a black and orange lacquer ground. The leaves are interspersed with seven family crests (three on cover, four box itself). The crest (mon), two crossed lines within a circle, is that of the Shimazu family, daimyos of Satsuma, and probably depicts the kutsuwa, an ornamental ring on the side of a horse's bit.

Dimensions

2 1/4 x 9 1/2 inches (5.7 x 24.1 cm)