

Basic Detail Report

Clam shell with landscape design,

Satsuma ware, Hirasa kiln

Date

19 century; 19th century

Primary Maker

Unidentified artist

Medium

Porcelain; White glaze; Red, green, orange, brown, black, and purple enamel glazes

Description

Netsuke in the shape of a half-open clam shell, decorated in enamel glazes with landscape designs, pavilions, and clouds. Openwork edge of shell depicts a temple entrance, and inside are tiny human figures of unglazed (biscuit) porcelain. Two circular perforations on back.

Dimensions

1 1/2 x 1 7/8 x 1 inches (3.8 x 4.8 x 2.5 cm)