



Bottle with monkey

On display

Title/Description: Bottle with monkey

Object Type: Animal, Bottle

Materials: Earthenware

Measurements: h. 216 x w. 155 x d. 155 mm

Accession Number: 788

Historic Period: 1000-100 BC

Production Place: Ecuador, Manabi province, South America, The Americas

Cultural Group: Chorrera

Credit Line: Purchased with support from Robert and Lisa Sainsbury, 1981

The vessel is covered with the typical Chorrera orange red slip, except for the face of the monkey, which is painted white. Below the angle of the body of the vessel are faint traces of a design incorporating lines, step frets and small dots produced by a technique which has etched, scraped or corroded away the original red slip. A similar monkey bottle is illustrated by Lathrap et al. (1975: no. 357).

Entry taken from Robert and Lisa Sainsbury Collection 3 volume catalogue, edited by Steven Hooper (Yale University Press, 1997).

Provenance

Purchased by the Sainsbury Centre, University of East Anglia from John A. Stokes Jnr., New York, on the advice of Robert Sainsbury in 1981 out of income from the Sainsbury Purchasing Fund.
