



# A tethered bull

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**Not on display**

**Title/Description:** A tethered bull

**Born:** 1650 c. - 1675 c.

**Measurements:** Unframed: (h. 224 x w. 325 x d. 1 mm) Framed: (h. 345 x w. 370 x d. 20 mm)

**Accession Number:** 824

**Historic Period:** 17th century

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The bull in this painting was probably kept at court. The picture is based on the style set by Mansur, the famous animal artist of Jahangir the fourth Great Mughal; it has the typical acute observation shown by the Jahangir studios. It is appealingly realistic, although the proportions are not accurate. The Brahmany bull (often called Shiva's bull) is important to Hindus and is often kept at temples or in ruler's courts.

Description taken from the 'Art From The Indian Sub-Continent In The Sainsbury Centre' catalogue by Margaret A. Willey (Sainsbury Centre, UEA, 1995).

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