A000-AM,N-NW-Haida-Halibut-Cedar Plaque



**Case no.:**

**Accession Number:**

**Formal Label: Haida Halibut Cedar Plaque**

**Display Description:**

Halibut are mythologically and economically important to coastal tribes of the Pacific Northwest. To the Haida, halibut are a symbol of prosperity. Potlatch dishes are frequently carved in the shape of a halibut of which this plaque is reminiscent. In the creation myths of some Kwakiutl tribes, the founding ancestor was transformed from a halibut into a man.

**LC Classification:**

**Date or Time Horizon:**

**Geographical Area:**

**Map, GPS coordinates:**

**Cultural Affiliation:**

**Media:** **Dimensions:**

**Weight:**

**Condition:**

**Provenance:**

**Discussion:**

**References:**