

Ax Head

Date

Regional Development Period (500 BC - AD 500)

Medium

Stone

Description

Polished dark green and black stone with minor buff colored occlusions concentrated at poll. Features a very smooth pillow-like volume with smooth contours. Rounded with wide groove at poll for lashing to haft. Thick blade tapering gradually to a sharp edge. Probably from the Northern Highlands and the Imbabura area. This and other similar objects were previously processed with adhesive labels for identification purposes. While labels of this kind are no longer used in contemporary museum practice,

they have been left on until such a time that they can be safely removed.

Dimensions

Overall: $3 \ 9/16 \times 2 \ 1/2 \times 1 \ 3/16 \ in. (9 \times 6.3 \times 3 \ cm)$