

CHICAGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM—ETHNOLOGY

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General Provenience: Australia (Central)

Where collected: Hermannsburg near the Finke
River and MacDonnell Ranges

Tribe: Arunta

Where made:

People:

Attribution:

Culture:

Brief description: Stone bladed knife

Detailed description: Light-colored stone blade hafted in triodia resin.
~~Appears to have had some feathers attached at one~~
~~time.~~ Crudely struck-off blade from the quartzite
 of the desert sandstone. Transverse bands of
 red paint on blade. See reverse

DIMENSIONS (in cm.):

length: 13.5

height:

diameter:

width:

circumference:

Fuller Collection: Purchased from Captain A. W. F. Fuller of London, England, in 1958

Collected in 1909 by H. J. Hillier. Native name of this kind of knife is banga. Used (according to the collector's note) for "cutting up meat, skinning, and also in fighting or maiming." Usually carried more for ornament than for use, however.

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