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Provenience: Western Caroline Islands ;Palau

Field No.

People or Culture: Palauan

Object: bowl

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Material: pottery

**Description:** Bowl found in a limestone burial cave near Airrai municipality in southern Babeldaob Island on Ngeriam Island. Finder took refuge in the cave in March of 1944 when American air planes attacked Palau. In the cave were five bowls and a great number of human bones scattered about. He

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**Dimensions:**

(in cm.) diameter: 35.6

(over)

**Collection:** Presented by Roland W. Force; Collector, 1956. Tri-Institutional Pacific Program Ethnological Expedition to Palau, 1954-1956.

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took three of the bowls and left two, one of which had been half covered over by limestone. This one was broken and left, half imbedded. In 1954 Professor Douglas Osborne of the University of Washington was conducting an archaeological survey of the Palau Islands and recovered this partially imbedded bowl. He later purchased two of the three which had been taken from the cave by the finder. Both of these were smaller than the one here described. This bowl is the third of the three taken in 1944.

Native name: holokang. The bowl is undecorated or incised. Pottery is no longer made in the Palaus.