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## ASHANTI VALOR STOOL

**\$1,180**

c. 1900 • Ghana • Wood • Collection #CAA138

W: 21.25" D: 10.5" H: 14.5"

In traditional Ashanti culture, stools indicated power, status, and lines of succession. The flat base, curved seat, and ridged supports of this hand-carved stool reference the Ashanti King Stool. The central symbol is a stylized Nnonnowa, or "Double Drum," which symbolizes valor and strength. The double drum motif in combination with the King Stool form mark this piece as a leader's stool. The defined geometries and organic curves afford the stool a wonderfully sculptural presence. Continued...



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Many art historians point to the Ashanti's mixture of shape, negative space, and rich symbolism as an inspiration for the abstract expressionist movements in the West.



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