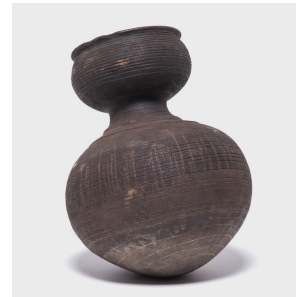

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NUPE GOURD WATER VESSEL

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H: 15.25" Dia: 11.5"

Inspired by the natural world, Nupe ceramicists fired this water vessel in the shape of a gourd. The vessel's varied textures and colors come from its utilitarian design. The dimpling and geometric markings were engraved to give the drinker a better grip, creating the handworn texture and off-colored streaks. Meanwhile, the bottom was designed to rest against the ground, constant use leaves behind a distinctive pattern of white tones. The combination is a singularly sculptural object for the home.



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