Object: Spear

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Collection: Project for the reappraisal of the collections from colonial contexts

Inventory 1930.7022
number:

## Description

A spear made from flamed palm wood with a cuff of red and yellow wickerwork below the pike and with notched, white dyed ornamentation. At the pike there are barbs made from fish teeth and fishbones or other bones (?). The rear of the shaft is broken off and ended originally into a long tip.

The spear could probably come from Buka Island, northern Solomon Archipelago. Such richly decorated spears were used as dance or ceremonial spears.

The object comes from the collection of pharmacist, writer and doctor Albert Daiber (1857 - 1928), who undertook a journey to the South Seas from April to September 1900, which took him to then German and British colonial territories. Stops included Australia, the Bismarck Archipelago, the eastern part of the island of New Guinea, the Caroline Islands, the Mariana Islands and China (Hong Kong). Daiber described his experiences in the published travelogue "Eine Australien- und Südseefahrt" from 1902. In 1909, Albert Daiber emigrated to Chile. Beforehand he has given the collected objects from his voyage to Otto Leube in Ulm, who initially stored the collection and after Albert Daiber's death gave it to the Museum of the City of Ulm as a deposit in 1930.

## Basic data

Material/Technique: Palm wood, bast, fish teeth, fishbone / bone

(?)

Measurements: L 223 cm, DIA 0,5 - 2 cm

## **Events**

Created When 1900

Who

Where Papua New Guinea

Owned When 1900s

Who Albert Daiber (1857-1928)

Where

Owned When 1909-1930

Who Otto Leube (1870-1964)

Where Ulm

[Relationship

to location]

Who

When

Where Melanesia

[Relationship

to location]

When

Who
Where Solomon Islands

[Relationship When

to location]

Who

Where Insular Oceania

[Relationship When

to location]

Who

Where Buka Island

## **Keywords**

- Colonialism
- Colony
- Koloniale Kontexte
- Kolonialzeit
- Spear