

Statuette of a feline goddess

Not on display

Title/Description: Statuette of a feline goddess

Object Type: Figure

Materials: Faience

Measurements: h. 105 x w. 21 x d. 38 mm

Accession Number: 654

Historic Period: Dynasty XXII (c. 750 BC)

Production Place: Africa, Egypt

Credit Line: Purchased with support from Robert and Lisa Sainsbury, 1976

The goddess is shown as a woman in striding pose with the head of a lion or cat and wearing a tripartite wig and long gown. She holds a papyrus sceptre down the front of her body and treads upon bound captives. At the occiput is a striated and perforated suspension lug. The surface of the faience is covered with a shiny blue-green glaze.

Provenance

Formerly in the Pacha Omar Sultan Collection, Cairo.

Purchased by the Sainsbury Centre, University of East Anglia from K. J. Hewett in 1976 out of funds provided by Robert and Lisa Sainsbury.