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Trinket Box

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Title: Trinket Box

Date: 1910 – 1925

Material: bark; quill; grass

Dimensions: 6.2 x 7.5 cm

Description: A flat-based, straight-sided birchbark box with smooth, flush, overfitting

lid. Walls decorated with pink and white porcupine quills, and walls of lid similarly decorated. The top of the lid is decorated with an overlapped pattern of brown and white quills in a floral motif, with "stamens" of green quills bursting from the centre. About 5% of the quills are loose at one end, some quills lost. Thread which binds grass to rim of lid has frayed

severely. Box contains six quartz crystals.

Subject: households

Indigenous decorative quillwork

Credit: Gift of Catharine Robb Whyte, O. C., Banff, 1979

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