

RUPERT WACE ANCIENT ART



Egyptian gneiss bowl

Old Kingdom. 3rd Dynasty, 2647-2573 BC

Worked from a translucent white anorthosite gneiss speckled with dark black-grey and swaths of silver-grey diorite. Of deep rounded form with flat base and inward curving rim, bevelled on the inside.

Condition: Intact. Small area of surface abrasion to exterior below rim.

Height: 4.5 cm; Diameter: 8.7 cm

Literature:

See W. M. Flinders Petrie, *The Funeral Furniture of Egypt, Stone and Metal Vases*, Warminster, 1977, plate XXII for similar examples.