



## Animal-shaped Pouring Vessel

**Date**

3rd-1st century BEC

**Primary Maker**

Unidentified artist

**Medium**

Earthenware

**Description**

The vessel has the shape of a four-legged animal, its wheel-made body having a handmade neck. The tubular pouring spout, likely formed over a long cylindrical object, forms the head and mouth of the animal. A wide-neck opening rises from the back braced by a handle that connects to the hindquarter. The handle is attached to mid-neck and shoulder. The animal’s features are generalized with large, round eyes, a long nose with blunt end, a huge ovoid body, and four tiny feet. The small ridge on the head contrasts with the swelling body.

**Dimensions**

8 3/4 x 12 x 6 3/16 in. (22.3 x 30.5 x 15.7 cm)