



**Date:**

1800

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**Identifier:**

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**Description:**

Subtle aesthetics often characterize Chumash baskets. This basket's weaver used the earth-toned colors of black dyed juncas and white sumac to create her design on a golden juncas background. Chumash baskets are remarkably lightweight for their size because the juncas stems that form the basket's coil foundations are hollow. The Chumash used basin-shaped coiled baskets such as this for preparing meals and as winnowing trays.

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**Physical dimensions:**

diameter 18.5 in ; height 4 in

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**Format:**

Basket

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**Coverage:**

California ; Chumash

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