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1900

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**Identifier:**

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**Description:**

The Yokuts were some of the leading basket makers of south-central California. Their greatest baskets were coiled from right to left with a tight bundle of deer grass and very tightly sewn with small stitches of sedge root. The encircling bands are stitched with black dyed bracken fern root and redbud. The diamonds in the bands were referred to as rattlesnakes and it was believed that medicine men kept snakes in them for ceremonies. The band of black horses on this basket is unusual.

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**Physical dimensions:**

diameter 14.375 in ; height 7 in

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**Format:**

Bowl

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**Coverage:**

South-Central California ; Yokuts

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