

The Americas

- 1 Stone spear or arrow heads (two) made between 6000 and 4000 BC, probably from south-eastern North America.
- 2 Stone spear or arrow heads (three) made between 4000 and 1000 BC, probably from south-eastern North America.
- 3 Stone scraper made between 3000 and 2000 BC, found in Vienna, Georgia, United States of America.
- 4 Harpoon head made of bone with a thong loop in the 18th century. From Nootka Sound on the north Pacific coast.

South America

- 5 Spear-heads made of whale bone, from Tierra Del Fuego, probably made in the 18th century.
- 6 Tiahuanaco style pot, from the coast of Peru, made between 500 and 1000 AD.
- 7 Pot found on a burial site near Trujillo, Peru.
- 8 Mochica style pot, found on a burial site near Trujillo, Peru, made between 200 and 500 AD.
- 9 Chimu style pot from the north coast of Peru, made between 1300 and 1500 AD. The animal form may represent a jaguar.

Ceremonial Personal Objects of South America

Many of the objects from the Amazonian forest region were collected by R.H. Schomburgk during his expeditions for the Royal Geographical Society from 1835-39, and shown in the Guiana Exhibition in London in 1840.

- 10 Feather head-dresses (three), probably from Guyana (formerly Guiana). Traditionally worn by adult men on important occasions.
- 11 Necklaces (three) made of seeds and the teeth of the peccary or wild pig. From Guyana, obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39. Said to have "talismanic powers...a remedy against toothache and pains in the stomach."
- 12 Necklace of minute seeds, collected between 1835-39 from Guyana.
- 13 Bamboo flute used by the Carib people of Guyana. Obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39.
- 14 Box containing pigment used in body painting, from Guyana.
- 15 Dance ornament made from the tail feathers of the macaw and worn by the leader of the dance on his back. It was obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39, from Guyana.

The Home

- 16 Models of pots, made by the Caribs for sale to Europeans on the coast of Guyana. Obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39.
- 17 Fibre bag, made before 1840 by the Tunantino Indians of Amazonian Brazil.
- 18 Vegetable fibre bag, from Brazil, made in the late 18th century.
- 19 Baskets (two), made by the Carib people of Guyana before 1841.
- 20 Basket from the Uaupes River area, north-western Brazil. Obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39.
- 21 Bowl made from a gourd, from Guyana, 19th century.
- 22 Wooden stool from the Uaupes River area, north-western Brazil. Obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39.
- 23 Basketry tube used for squeezing manioc. Made in Guyana before 1880. Manioc is a root crop which can contain a poison. The poison can be washed away by squeezing shredded pieces of manioc with water in a flexible basketry tube.

Hunting

- 24 Arrow from Guyana, used for shooting birds. Obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39.
- 25 Arrow with a bamboo point, from Guyana, obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39. Used for hunting tapir, wild hog and other large animals.
- 26 Arrows made from bamboo (three), from Guyana, made before 1844.
- 27 Wooden club, from Guyana, early 19th century.
- 28 Pouch made from the skin of a jaguar, used while hunting, from Guyana. Obtained on Schomburgk's expeditions, 1835-39.