

Finch & C^o



A COLIMA PRE COLUMBIAN MEXICO BAKED TERRACOTTA EFFIGY VESSEL

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PROTOCLASSIC - CIRCA 100 B.C – 250 A.D

SIZE : 10 CM HIGH , 19 CM LONG , 14.5 CM WIDE – 4 INS HIGH , 7½ INS LONG , 5¾ INS WIDE

LITERATURE

THERE EXISTS A RICH TREASURY OF COLIMA POTTERY IN MUSEUMS AND PRIVATE COLLECTIONS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD DUE TO THE LOCAL CUSTOM OF THIS ANCIENT CULTURE OF BURYING THE DEAD IN VERY DEEP SHAFT GRAVES AND OF NOT 'PUTTING TO DEATH' THE POTTERY GRAVE OFFERINGS BY BREAKING THEM.

THE TUNGARA FROG HAS A PARTICULARLY WARTY BROWN SKIN AND IS ONLY FOUND IN CENTRAL AMERICA.