

The background is a rich Aboriginal dot painting. It features a complex pattern of colors including deep reds, oranges, yellows, blues, and greens. The design includes large, dark, fan-like shapes with yellow centers, white branching patterns, and various circular and wavy motifs. A large, smooth, light-brown wooden bowl is positioned in the foreground, partially overlapping the artwork. The bowl has a wide rim and a rounded body, showing natural wood grain and some wear.

The Coolamon

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What Is A Coolamon?

A Coolamon is an aboriginal tool that is a long curved long wooden tray that is used by mainly aboriginal woman. It is a aboriginal carrying vessel and it is about 30-70cm long. The dictionary defines the coolamon as an Australian vessel of bark or wood that resembles a basin and is used for carrying and holding water. The name coolamon came from NSW and the name means yandi dishes.

What Is A Coolamon Made Of And How Is It Made?

This is a mallee tree

The coolamon is made of hardwood that is usually mallee and it is made taking a pice of bark off a tree then burning it on a fire to curve the edges it is usually made by men and then woman use it. They are made in central Australia.





What Is It Used For?

It is used for carrying water, nuts, fruit, and cradle babies mainly used by woman and they either carry them on there heads or like cradles sometimes they use there heads to carry them and they put it on a special pad to protect there heads.



What Replaces it today?

Today it is replaced by cradles when they used it to carry babies and when they used it to carry berries it is used like a bag or basket and you can now see how much it has changed and there are many inventions like it.

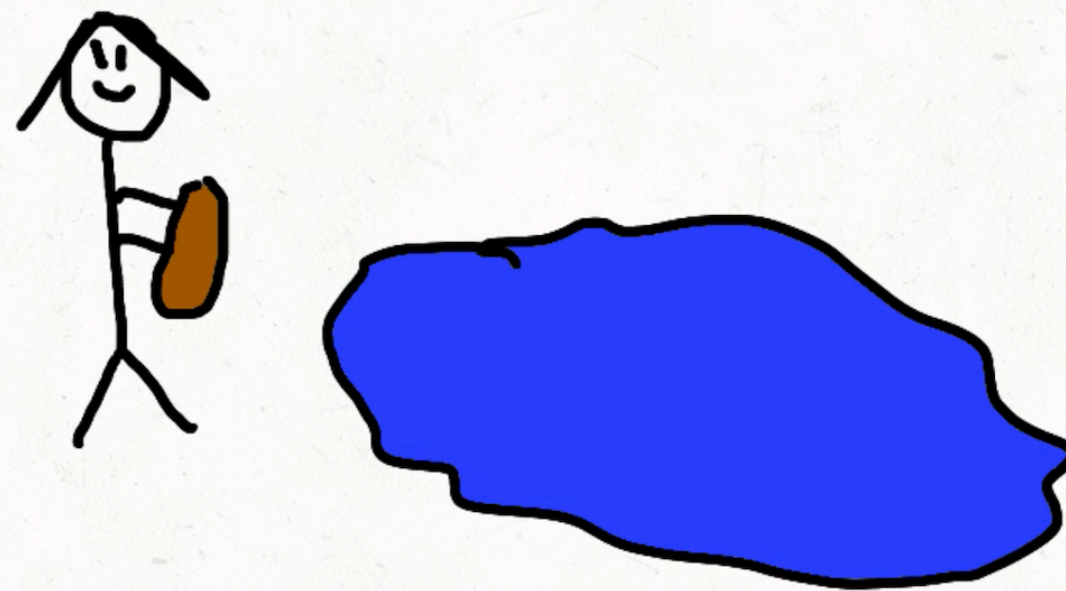
Do All The Aboriginal Tribes Use It?

Most of the aboriginal tribes use it and there are about 500 aboriginal tribes, so there are a lot. But some did not like the Noongar and they use Yandi Dishes instead which is a cano shaped bowl and the name that the Noongar use is yandi.



This How They Used It

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