

# Basic Detail Report

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## Werkudara also known as Bima (wanda: Mimis)

### Primary Maker

Wiji Sutikno

### Medium

Water buffalo hide, paint, ancur, water buffalo horn, gold leaf, wood

### Description

Shadow puppet. Large male figure with black skin and long thumbnails. Elaborate, curving hairstyle, black and gold checked batik skirt. Intricate punchwork details indicating hair, body hair. "Performer: Ki Purbo Asmoro;

also: Ki Bowo; Ki Manta Artists: Wijji Sutikno (leather carver); Murdiyonto (painter) Place and Date Made: Sukoharjo, date unknown; acquired by Ki Purbo Asmoro in Sragen, 2002 Mimis means bullet," suggesting this wanda was invented at least after firearms existed. In this mood, Bima is fiery, strong, and fast [like ammunition] and the puppet is often used in battle scenes in Mahabharata stories Bima's strength is emphasized by his black-painted body." (Katz-Harris 2010)

### Dimensions

Overall: 42 15/16 x 22 1/16 in. (109 x 56 cm)