

Bucranium Mirror

This waist-shaped mirror frame has a distinctive 'bucranium' or ox skull cresting. The bucranium motif originated through the practice of adorning Roman temples with sacrificial oxen and garlanding them with fruit and flowers. It subsequently became a key motif of the Doric order of architecture and later the Neoclassical revival of the 1770s.

Dimensions

Rectangular: height 41³/₄in (106cm) width 21³/₄in (55cm)
depth 2in (5cm)

Waist-shaped: height 39¹/₄in (99.5cm) width 26in (66cm)
depth 2¹/₄in (6cm)

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