



# National Museums Scotland Tokelau Collection



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## COLLECTIONS LEVEL DESCRIPTION

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<b>Title of the Collection</b>	Tokelau collection, National Museums Scotland
<b>Author(s)</b>	Eve Haddow
<b>Curator responsible for collection (if different from author)</b>	Principal Curator, Oceania, Americas and Africa
<b>Date Completed</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> September 2014
<p>There are three items from Tokelau. Although this collection is small in number, there are very few artefacts from Tokelau in Scottish museums.</p> <p>The collection includes a lidded box of wood (<i>turuma</i>) for the storage of fishing tackle. The lid is held in place by a finely twisted length of coconut fibre. This along with a necklace of two types of shell was acquired from Dr J G McNaughton who was responsible for the hospital at Funafuti, Tuvalu, 1916-7.</p> <p>There is also a late 19<sup>th</sup> century wooden fishhook in the collection.</p>	
Have any aspects of the collection been published? Please provide bibliographic references if available.	
<p>Gathercole, P &amp; A. Clarke (1979), <i>Survey of the Oceanian Collections in Museums in the United Kingdom and Ireland</i>. UNESCO.</p> <p>Kwasnik, Elizabeth (ed.) (1994), <i>A Wider World: Collections of Foreign Ethnography in Scotland</i>. National Museums of Scotland</p>	