A Selection of Ceremonial Vessel Types

Throughout the Bronze Age in China a variety of ceremonial bronze vessel types were developed. Ranging in size, shape, and purpose, they were made to hold wine, food, and water. A selection of vessel types in the exhibition is shown here.

FOOD VESSELS



Ding 鼎



Xu 盨



Dou 豆



Li 開



Yan 甗

WINE VESSELS



Jue 爵





Zun 尊



Gong 觥







Lei 罍



You卣

WATER VESSELS



Jian 鑒



Pan 盤



Yi 匜



Zhi 觶



He 盉



Hu 壺