



Statuette of Nefertem, Standing

Date

Late Period (c. 664 BC - 310 BC), Dynasty 26 -Macedonian Dynasty

Primary Maker

Egyptian, anonymous

Medium

bronze

Description

This hollow cast, votive statuette depicts the Egyptian god, Nefertem, striding forward, his arms tightly clasped at his sides. He wears a Shendit-kilt, divine beard, and uraeus. On his head sits a lotus blossom, a symbol of regeneration and rebirth. Nefertem was the son of Ptah and Sekhmet, who together made up the Memphite triad.

Dimensions

Overall: 3 7/8 x 13/16 x 1 3/8 in. (9.9 x 2.1 x 3.5 cm)