# **Basic Detail Report**



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**Title** 

Pere

**Date** 

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#### Medium

Ghost net (reclaimed fishing net and rope), polypropylene, rope and twine, steel frame

### **Dimensions**

Overall:  $360 \times 1275 \times 1050$  mm, 7220 g

#### Name

Sculpture

### History

Artist's Statement: "Seu and Pere are a pair of mating turtles named after a close by sand cay and reef. Seu sand cay is a popular place for families to visit for picnics and swimming. Pere reef is separated from Seu by a lagoon. Just like these two turtles, they are together but also two separate. Pere is good for fishing and diving. From the hillsides of Erub you can see Seu clearly on the low tide as the sand stretches out to the reefs. The turtle is significant to the people of Erub both as a tribal totem and it is also a traditional source of food for feastings and celebrations. Turtles are large animals and feed many people so it is also important that we look after the ocean and raise the awareness of marine debris such as ghostnets. We must respect the ocean because we need to make sure that we have turtles for the future. We only take what we need." - Erub Erwer Meta Arts Centre, Erub Erwer Meta Torres Strait Islander Corporation.