



Era	793 AD – 1066 (8th-11th century)
Locations	North west Europe, especially Norway, British Isles and Iceland
Items	boats, jewellery, runestones
Style	intricate swirling shape patterns often incorporating stylised animals
Media	wood carving, metal work, stone carving, fabrics

Vocabulary:

Topic related vocabulary:

carved	cut or engraved to produce a design
intricate	complicated and detailed
longship	traditional Viking boat
crest	the top of a wave
runestone	carved stone tablet
norse	Norwegian language

Facts about the art:

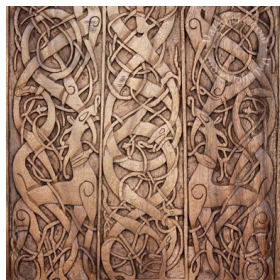
Viking designs were often intricate and featured animals such as wolves, serpents and birds.

There are several distinct designs, including:

- Oseberg
- Borre
- Jellinge
- Mammen
- Ringerike
- Urnes

Viking longships, used for raids, were particularly well decorated, with carved animal heads at the stern, often of dragons or serpents.

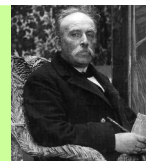
Key pieces:



From 793
AD



Born 1844
Henri Rousseau



Born 1974
Ceila Smith



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