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Our Original Tools

1. The Yup'iks used to make their own tools out of wood, antlers, stones and ivory. Let's look at some of their traditional tools.

They used to make shovels entirely out of wood. Some of them used to be made out of one big piece of wood and some were made out of two pieces of wood. The ones that were made of two pieces used to be tied together with sinew or leather strips.

2. Women used to dig up roots using small diggers. These small diggers used to have wooden handles with bone, ivory or stone tips.

These picks used to be made of wood with ivory or antler tips. They used to use them to make holes on the ice or to chop up hard snow.

3. When Yup'iks used to have only fur clothes, they would use snow beaters to clean off the snow from their clothes. These snow beaters were made of bone, ivory, or antler.

4. They used to use hammers when they removed ice particles from the sled runners and from other things that were icy. They also used to use them to drive nails in. They used to make these hammers entirely out of wood or antler.

5. The men used to have adzes that they made themselves out of stone and wood. They used to use them to chop up things. They'd carve into the wood bases so that the stones would fit. They'd put the stones in and tie them tight to the wood bases with sinew.

6. The men used to use carving knives when they smoothed out their crafts. These carving knives used to be made of metal, which was at the tip, with wood or antler for the handles.

7. When they were going to split wood, they used to use wedges. They made wedges out of wood, bone, antler and ivory.

8. When women made clothes or prepared food, they used to use uluats. Their uluats used to be made out of stone with wood or ivory handles.

9. The women also used to use needles that were home made. Their needles were made out of ivory.

Almost all of the traditional Yup'ik tools have been replaced by factory made tools.
Our Origins: Tools

The origins of man tools date back to the Paleolithic era. Let's take a look at some of their traditional tools.

1. The 'Acheulean' handaxe was one of the earliest tools made by early humans. It was used for a variety of purposes, including cutting and shaping wood, bone, and stone.

2. The 'Oldowan' handaxe was simpler in design compared to the 'Acheulean'. It was used for similar purposes, but was not as refined.

3. The 'Mousterian' handaxe was used for tasks such as cutting meat, processing plants, and making other tools.

4. The 'Mesolithic' handaxe was made of bone, antler, or wood, and was used for tasks such as cutting and shaping wood, bone, and stone.

5. The 'Neolithic' handaxe was made of stone, and was used for tasks such as cutting crops, processing wood, and making other tools.

6. The 'Bronze Age' handaxe was made of metal, and was used for tasks such as cutting and shaping wood, bone, and stone.

7. The 'Iron Age' handaxe was made of iron, and was used for tasks such as cutting and shaping wood, bone, and stone.

8. The 'Modern' handaxe is made of metal, and is used for tasks such as cutting and shaping wood, bone, and stone.

Almost all of the traditional hand tools have been replaced by factory-made counterparts.