

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-87397-0 - Material Cultures, Material Minds: The Impact of Things on Human Thought, Society, and Evolution

Nicole Boivin

Copyright Information

[More information](#)

---

# Material Cultures, Material Minds

---

*The Impact of Things on  
Human Thought, Society,  
and Evolution*

**NICOLE BOIVIN**  
*University of Cambridge*



Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-87397-0 - Material Cultures, Material Minds: The Impact of Things on Human Thought, Society, and Evolution

Nicole Boivin

Copyright Information

[More information](#)

---

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS

Cambridge, New York, Melbourne, Madrid, Cape Town, Singapore, São Paulo, Delhi

Cambridge University Press

32 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10013-2473, USA

[www.cambridge.org](http://www.cambridge.org)

Information on this title: [www.cambridge.org/9780521873970](http://www.cambridge.org/9780521873970)

© Nicole Boivin 2008

This publication is in copyright. Subject to statutory exception and to the provisions of relevant collective licensing agreements, no reproduction of any part may take place without the written permission of Cambridge University Press.

First published 2008

Printed in the United States of America

*A catalog record for this publication is available from the British Library.*

*Library of Congress Cataloging in Publication Data*

Boivin, Nicole, Ph.D.

Material cultures, material minds: the impact of things on human thought, society, and evolution / Nicole Boivin.

p. cm.

Includes bibliographical references and index.

ISBN 978-0-521-87397-0 (hardback)

1. Material culture. 2. Intellectual life – History.

3. Civilization – History. 4. Social evolution. 5. Human evolution. 6. Social archaeology. 7. Ethnology. 8. Social history. 9. Cognitive science.

10. Evolution (Biology) I. Title.

GN406.B65 2009

306-dc22 2007052895

ISBN 978-0-521-87397-0 hardback

Cambridge University Press has no responsibility for the persistence or accuracy of URLs for external or third-party Internet Web sites referred to in this publication and does not guarantee that any content on such Web sites is, or will remain, accurate or appropriate.