

Rover Thomas Provenance Research: Serendipity, Synchronicity and Savage Dogs

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Challenging the Chronology

- East Kimberley Early Boards
 - c1978 Paddy Jaminji
 - c1979 Hector Jandany
 - 1982 George Mung Mung
 - 1983 Rover Thomas
 - ?Jack Britten



Jack Britten's 'first' painting undated photo unknown photographer

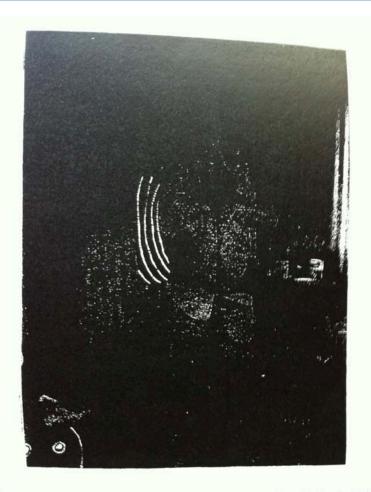
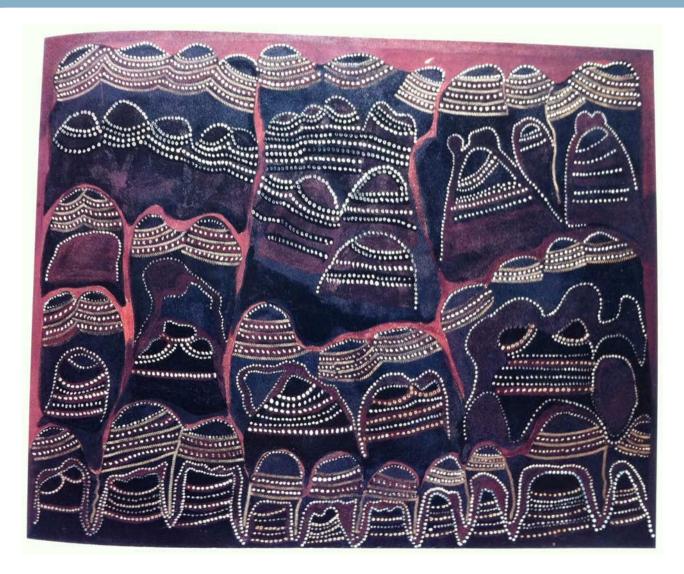


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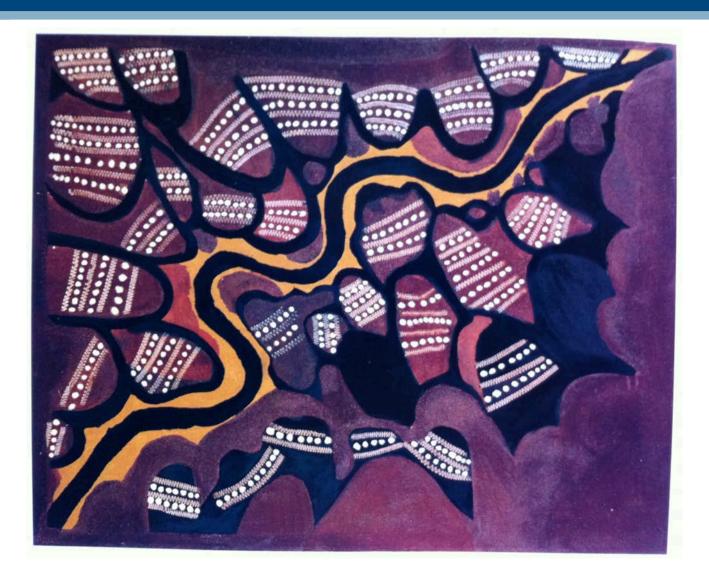
Jack Britton – Purnululu Country 1989



Judith Ryan 1993 Images of Power Aboriginal Art of the Kimberley, NGV



Jack Britten – Ord River Country 1991



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Bruny Island: Home of Savage Dogs



Photo: Stephanie Cotteret Bruny Island

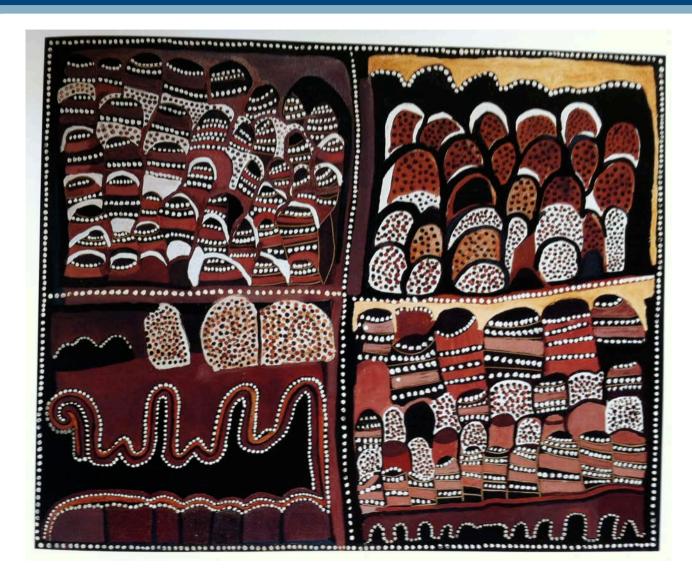


Savage dog straining at leash





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Jack Britten with his first painting



Photo: Rimas Riauba



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Paddy Jaminji's calm camp dogs



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