

Poor Cow (Tongue)

Claudette Forbes

£795



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Height: 13 cm (5.1") Width: 23 cm (9.1")

## Description

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Slip cast stoneware sculpture with ceramic decals, 24k gold lustre. & iron oxide.

Poor Cow": A Collection of Slip Cast stoneware Cows & Illustrated Porcelain Milk Bottles.

The cow with its M-logo legs was inspired by a visit to family in Jamaica where, in Montego Bay, the first MacDonald's had opened. In a neighbouring field stood a solitary cow. The process of making this collection informed her conceptual development, leading her to think about our consumption of the cow and its environmental impact.

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The seated cow's base is modelled directly from a real cow's tongue, purchased from a local butcher. Handling a cow's tongue to make its mould was grotesque to Claudette, a meat eater. Thus, the beautiful cow on top of the hideous tongue represents the contradictions in our everyday choices.

The pieces are adorned with her illustrations - a contemporary twist on the traditional blue and white Willow Pattern - depicting scenes and people in Peckham, South London, where she lives.

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