

Madonna and Child Sketchbook

Catalogue Number

SKB 43

Artwork Type

Sketchbooks

Date

1943

Dimensions

paper: 225 x 175 mm

Paper Support

off-white lightweight machine-made laid paper

Ownership

disbanded - see individual pages for ownership

More Information

Disbanded sketchbook of off-white lightweight machine-made laid paper 225 x 175 mm to which twenty-six drawings have been ascribed. The pages are unnumbered, and no attempt has been made to put them in order; many have been cut down in size. In 1942 Moore was commissioned by the Rev. Walter Hussey, vicar of St Matthew's, Northampton, to produce a Madonna and Child to celebrate the church's fiftieth anniversary in 1943. Moore visited the church in 1942 and may have made some preliminary sketches then, but he did not begin work on the commission until the following year. Madonna and Child LH 226, carved in Hornton stone during 1943-44, was installed in Northampton in February 1944.