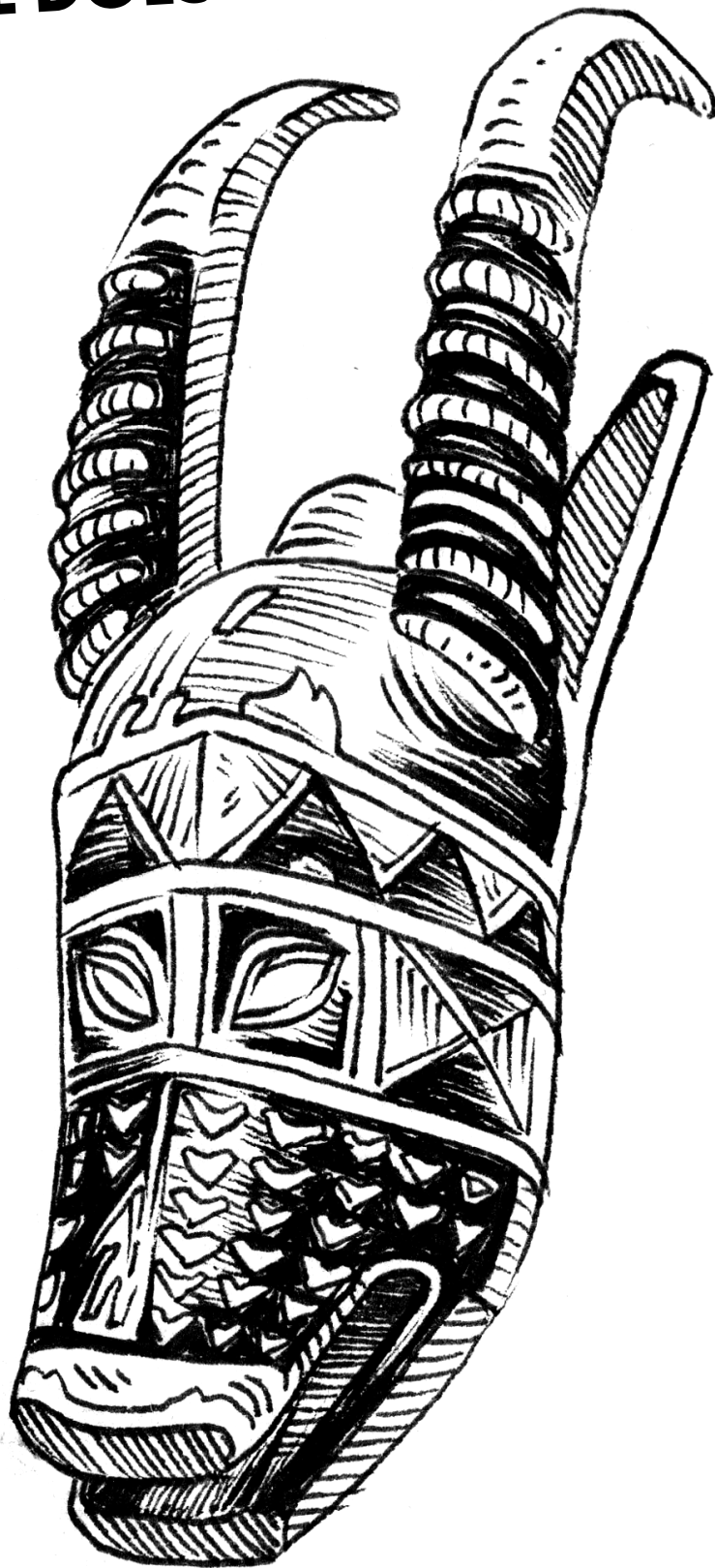


# WHAT ANIMAL DOES THIS MASK REPRESENT?



## Karanga Mask

Mossi Empire  
Burkina Faso  
20th century

This mask, known as a Karanga mask, depicts the large antelope (Hippotragus koba). The Karanga mask is the region's most prominent masquerade. In Mossi society, the male head of a clan often owns a mask that evokes an important being or animal associated with his family's origin myth.

