

FINGER RING

Unique ID: IOW-BA8BD4

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

Silver finger ring of Modern, nineteenth century date (AD 1800 - AD 1900). Diameter 17mm, width of hoop 5mm, thickness of hoop 0.4mm. Weight 0.79g.

The ring is made from a stamped strip joined with solder to form a hoop. The exterior surface of the hoop is decorated with repetitive and closely aligned transverse ribs. Overlying the ribbing are two further decorative elements, each occupying about half the circumference of the hoop. In one half are seven flower motifs, each consisting of a central pellet within a circle of five equally spaced and similar pellets. The flowers are alternately branched in racemed form along a curvilinear tendril. An interruption to the continuity of this design signifies the location of the soldered join. The other half of the hoop has the inscription in serified capital letters:

FORGET ME NOT

The inscription is framed within a rectangular border of repetitive motifs in the form of small heart-shaped leaves. There is no evidence for a hallmark on the inner surface of the hoop.

The ring is in good condition and is slightly worn.

Notes:

A gold finger ring with the same inscription and similar type-face with a transverse ribbed ground has been recorded from Covehithe Parish, Suffolk, see Portable Antiquities Scheme find: SF-AF0664.

Inscription: FORGET ME NOT

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MODERN

Subperiod from: Late

Period from: MODERN

Period to: MODERN

Date from: Circa AD 1800

Date to: Circa AD 1900

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Width: 5 mm

Thickness: 0.4 mm

Weight: 0.79 g

Diameter: 17 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 12th June 2005

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: IOW2005-135-3; JM 1 R11

Materials and construction

Primary material: Silver

Manufacture method: Multiple

Spatial metadata

Region: [South East](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [Isle of Wight](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [Isle of Wight](#) (Unitary Authority)

To be known as: Isle of Wight

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Metal detecting rally

General landuse: Grassland, Heathland

Specific landuse: Regularly improved