

BROOCH

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Late Roman copper alloy crossbow brooch, 63mm long and 42mm wide. The brooch is in fair condition with a brown patina and weighs 31.09 grams. The brooch begins with terminal knob which has a form made up of two pyramids joined together at the base. This has a protruding knob of similar form. This sits above a rectangular sectioned wing which has a stepped front edge, causing it to narrow towards the terminal knobs. These knobs are hexagonally sectioned with a sub triangular form similar to the central terminal. These knobs, which are integral, form the most complex part of the brooch. The bow is sub triangular in section, having a flattened front edge and is decorated only on this central part with diagonal incised decoration, resembling ropework. The bow is of similar length to the foot which tapers slightly outwards towards its base. This is decorated with two lines of sub rectangular depressions running down its outer edges. In between these there is faint decoration which appears to be a line of cup and ring incisions. The pin and the catchplate are intact. The brooch appears to be a composite of several known types.

Class: crossbow

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: ROMAN

Date from: AD 330

Date to: AD 410

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 63 mm

Width: 42 mm

Weight: 31.09 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 14th February 2007

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [Devon](#) (County)

District: [Exeter](#) (District)

Parish or ward: [St. Leonard's](#) (District Ward)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SX9292

Four figure Latitude: 50.71756122

Four figure longitude: -3.5312144

1:25K map: SX9292

1:10K map: SX92SW

Grid reference source: Centred on village (which isn't a parish)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 100 metre square.