

BROOCH

Unique ID: BH-6992F7

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

A copper-alloy brooch of 13th to 15th century date. The frame of the brooch is heart-shaped and has a black-letter inscription extending around the upper face. It has been read (with the help of Malcolm Jones) as ihe[su]s * na / zarenus (Jesus of Nazareth) with a space-filling branch with leaves in the left-hand upper curve of the heart. The pin constriction is located centrally, in the depression between the two curves at the top of the frame. The pin, which is complete, has been looped around this constriction. It is made from a length of copper-alloy wire of D-shaped section and is now corroded. All surfaces of the brooch retain traces of gilding. The object measures 24.4mm long, 21.2mm wide and 4.1mm thick. The weight is 3.66g. The lettering dates the brooch to the late 14th or 15th centuries.

Find of note status

This has been noted as an interesting find by the recorder.

Class: annular **Inscription:** ihe[su]s * nazarenus

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: with finder

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1350

Date to: Circa AD 1500

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 24.4 mm

Width: 21.2 mm

Thickness: 4.1 mm

Weight: 3.66 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Thursday 10th January 2008

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Mr Julian Watters
Identified by: Mr Julian Watters
Secondary identifier: Dr Malcolm Jones

Other reference numbers

Other reference: Ver 08/6 - 1

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy
Completeness: Complete
Surface Treatment: Gilded

Spatial metadata

Region: [South East](#) (European Region)
County or Unitary authority: [Oxfordshire](#) (County)
District: [South Oxfordshire](#) (District)
To be known as: South Oxfordshire

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From finder
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 10 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector
Current location: with finder
General landuse: Cultivated land