

# THIMBLE

**Unique ID:** IOW-B2EE14

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete Medieval to post-Medieval cast copper-alloy closed thimble of 'beehive' type (c. 1400-c. 1550).

The sides slope inwards slightly from the bottom to form a crown at the top. The walls have 10 turns of spiralling sub-circular indentations. These spiral clockwise from the base to the apex. The rim is plain. The outer face has a mid-green patina. It is corroded in places. The inner surface is covered with superficial light green corrosion products. Height: 20.2mm; width: 22.9mm; thickness: 18.0mm; thickness of rim: 0.9mm. Weight: 7.13g.

See Holmes 1988: 1, fig: 2.

Holmes, E.F. (1988) Sewing Thimbles. Finds Research Group Datasheet 9. Norwich, Finds Research Group.

**Class:** Closed

## Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

## Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Late

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Subperiod to: Early

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1400

Date to: Circa AD 1550

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Height: 20.2 mm

Width: 22.9 mm

Thickness: 18 mm

## Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Wednesday 5th January 2011

## Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

## Other reference numbers

Other reference: IOW2011-1-50

## Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Complete

## 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: GPS (from the finder)

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

## Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Club rally

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Operations to a depth greater than 0.25m

Holmes, E.F., 1988 [Sewing Thimbles](#) Finds Research Group 700-1700 Datasheet 9 1, fig: 2