

WHETSTONE

Unique ID: WMID-69F813

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete whetstone or hone, of uncertain dating, but probably Roman to Post Medieval (AD 43 to AD 1800).

The whetstone is sub rectangular in plan, and triangular in section. It has been made from a fine grained sedimentary sandstone or siltstone. An old diagonal break along the length is present on the reverse, giving the whetstone fragment the triangular shape. A figure of eight shaped perforation is present at the top, indicating that it had been created by the use of a drill on either side. The top of the whetstone has been bevelled on either side, to create a blunt top. The whetstone had been subjected to a heavy degree of use as the surviving original surface on the front and back has been polished and worn to a smooth concave surface.

It measures 47.52 mm in length, 14.93 mm wide and 8.58 mm thick. It weighs 7.2 g.

The whetstone or hone is a light grey colour, with a smooth polished surface.

Whetstones or hones, due to being a functional artefact, change little over time, and can be of any date from the Roman to the Post Medieval periods (AD 43 to AD 1800).

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: UNKNOWN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 43

Date to: Circa AD 1800

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 47.52 mm

Width: 14.93 mm

Thickness: 8.58 mm

Weight: 7.2 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 1st April 2013 - Tuesday 30th April 2013

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Miss Teresa Gilmore

Identified by: Miss Teresa Gilmore

Materials and construction

Primary material: Stone

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [North Warwickshire](#) (District)

To be known as: North Warwickshire

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 100 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Other chance find

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst searching with a metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land