

THIMBLE

Unique ID: YORYM-91DDB1

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete cast lead palm guard of post-medieval date. The palm guard is sub-ovate in plan with a rectangular cross section. One side has two circular depressions, one large and deep, and the other smaller and shallow, while the opposite side is plain.

The metal is a dark greyish-brown colour and is worn. The object 57.9mm long, 45.1mm wide, 4.8mm thick and weighs 72g.

Such objects would have been wrapped in cloth or leather with a hole above the depressions. They were then strapped to the hand to protect the palm from the force of using awls and punches in an industry such as leatherworking.

Palm guards of this design are thought to have been cast in oyster shells as evidenced in Portable Antiquities Scheme record number IOW-A9A877 in which the shell remains.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1700

Date to: Circa AD 1900

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 57.9 mm

Width: 45.1 mm

Thickness: 4.8 mm

Weight: 72 g

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: [Yorkshire and the Humber](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [East Riding of Yorkshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [East Riding of Yorkshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

To be known as: Londesborough Area

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 100 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Character undetermined

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