# **COIN**

Unique ID: LON-D58C14

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A post medieval silver 2-real 'cob' piece of Philip II-Philip IV of Spain (AD1556-1665). The coin would have been minted in Lima, Peru or Potosi, Bolivia or Mexico.

Obverse: Crowned shield bearing the arms of Spain and its territories.

Reverse: Cross within octofoil, lion rampant and castle in alternate quarters.

Similar real 'cobs' on the database are IOW-FD60C6, HAMP-EEB4C6 and LANCUM-E9CE14.

Dimensions: diameter: 22.13mm; weight: 6.36g.

### **Notes:**

In the mid-16th century major silver deposits were found in South America, in an area known as 'Peru', but this relates to an area much larger than modern-day Peru. Coins minted from here were called 'cobs' or *cabo*, and rather than producing a nice flan onto which the image was struck, cobs were simply a bar of silver cut into appropriate weights (1, 2, 4, 8 reales) so they are not standard shapes. This coin was most likley minted in Peru, Bolivia or Mexico due to its irregular shape.

### **Subsequent actions**

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

### Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL Period from: POST MEDIEVAL Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: Circa AD 1556 Date to: Circa AD 1665

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1 Weight: 6.36 g Diameter: 22.13 mm

#### Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

### **Materials and construction**

Primary material: Silver

Manufacture method: Struck or hammered

Completeness: Complete

# Spatial metadata

Region: London (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Greater London Authority (Greater London Authority)

District: Wandsworth (London Borough)

Parish or ward: Queenstown (London Borough Ward)

# **Spatial coordinates**

4 Figure: TQ2977

Four figure Latitude: 51.4772595 Four figure longitude: -0.14384913

1:25K map: TQ2977 1:10K map: TQ27NE

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

# **Discovery metadata**

Method of discovery: Metal detector General landuse: Open fresh water Specific landuse: Running water