

MORTARIUM

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A rimsherd of a wheel thrown ceramic mortarium, of Roman dating (2nd to 4th Centuries AD).

The sherd consists of a rimsherd, in a fabric is similar to that of a local (unsourced) whiteware used to produce mortaria, consistent with 2nd to 4th Century AD dating. No enough survives of the rim to estimate original diameter. The rim type is that of a wall side, with flanged base, from a mortarium (grinding dish).

The sherd is 8.2 mm thick and weighs 22.3 g. It has a length of 36.5 mm and is 43.0 mm wide.

Sherd specific details:

Fabric type: Local (unsourced) whiteware mortaria

Sherd type: rimsherd

Rim type: wall

Rim diameter: not enough present to estimate

% of rim present: >5%

Wall thickness: 8.2 mm

Firing condition: oxidised exterior, oxidised core, oxidised interior

Hardness: hard

Surface texture: Smooth, with inlaid grits

Surface treatment: none.

Condition of sherds: slightly abraded.

Sherd was photographed.

Class: whiteware mortaria **Sub class:** rim

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: ROMAN

Date from: Circa AD 200

Date to: Circa AD 400

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 36.5 mm

Width: 43 mm

Thickness: 8.2 mm

Weight: 22.3 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 2nd October 2016 - Sunday 2nd October 2016

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Ceramic

Manufacture method: Wheel made

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [East Northamptonshire](#) (District)

Parish or ward: [Pilton](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TL0084

Four figure Latitude: 52.4448239

Four figure longitude: -0.53014923

1:25K map: TL0084

1:10K map: TL08SW

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Chance find during metal detecting

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst out searching with a metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land