

# THIMBLE

**Unique ID:** SWYOR-E5B97E

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A copper alloy thimble of the earlier post medieval period, probably about AD 1500-1600. The thimble has a series of punched oval pits, possibly in a right-hand spiral. There are also pits on the shallow domed crown but these are indistinct, obscured by corrosion and damage. The open end rim is incomplete, whilst the crown has been damaged and holed. The sides of thimble are fairly straight, only slightly tapering towards the crown. The thimble has an inner metal sleeve, or perhaps a second thimble stored inside. At the dome, only the inner layer of metal survives, the outer layer of the walls projecting above the height of the inner crown. The object has a height of 16.60mm, and a maximum diameter of 18.61mm. It weighs 6.03g. The thimble is similar to examples on pages 35 - 39 of Read (2018), *Metal Sewing-Thimbles Found in Britain*. It is covered with concretion making details of the pits and decoration difficult to see.

## 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 1500

Date to: Circa AD 1600

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Height: 16.6 mm

Weight: 6.03 g

Diameter: 18.61 mm

## Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 1st February 2019 - Thursday 28th February 2019

## Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

## Other reference numbers

Other reference: PAS form number 3361

## Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Incomplete

## Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [North Yorkshire](#) (County)

District: [Hambleton](#) (District)

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

## Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SE4973

Four figure Latitude: 54.15049348

Four figure longitude: -1.25127683

1:25K map: SE4973

1:10K map: SE47SE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 10 metre square.

## Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land

Read, B., 2018 [Metal Sewing-Thimbles Found in Britain](#) Oxford: Archaeopress