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THE SPHINX UNRIDDLED

The sphinx and related composite creatures. A motif of political-religious legitimation during the dynamical period of cultural changes appearing in the Late Bronze (1600-1200 BC) and the Early Iron Age (1200-800 BC) in the Eastern Mediterranean

PART II. CATALOGUES & STUDY MATERIAL

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PART 2 - CATALOGUE-NOTES

SYRO-MESOPOTAMIA & LEVANT

Political





MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 1 – RAISED SPHINX AS MASTER OF ANIMALS

TYPE: Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Tell Brak/Palace

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/15th c. BC

Mitanni

DESCRIPTION:

A winged raised sphinx holds with its human-hands two lions upside down. The rest of the scene is filled with Masters of Animals, a bearded human head, a recumbent lion and a recumbent griffin and a Sun-disc. This seal belonged to Mitanni-king Saushtatar and was used to seal two tablets recording royal transactions of the Mitanni kings Artashumara and his younger brother Tushratta.

Legend: Sa-uš-ta-at-tar DUMU Par-sa-ta-tar LUGAL Ma-i-ta-ni

INFORMATION:

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 186. Demisch 1977: 62 + fig. 158. Metzger 1985: 266, nr. 1455.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans 2008: 195 + fig. 63.

Kopanias 2009: 49 + Cat.Nr. 52. Pfälzner 2015: 211-212 + fig. 59.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Size

CAT.NR. MES. 2 – PAIR OF SPHINXES AND PAIR OF GRIFFINS

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC **Middle Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Two pairs of winged sphinxes each lifting a front paw above a scene with two pairs of Masters of Animals flanking two winged griffins, also each lifting one front paw. Between the sphinxes a winged Sun-disc.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 47 + fig. 108.



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N.1290

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite (?), jasper (?)/Perforated,

engraved

SIZE

2,55 x 1,75 x 1,2 cm



TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt (?)

FIND SPOT: Syria/North-east Syria/Arban

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC **New Kingdom**

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DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx holding a 'hs'-vase between its front paws recumbent next to a cartouche with the praenomen of Thutmoses III. Below the sphinx a hieroglyphic inscription naming Amun-Ra and below this the sign for "King of Upper and Lower Egypt".

INFORMATION:

Layard 1853: 281 nr. 2.

Budge 1893: 251.

Hall 1913: 152, nr. 1558. Giveon 1985: p. 156 nr. 2.



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BOSTON -

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

98.703

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Hematite/Intaglio

CAT.NR. MES. 4 -

MASTER OF ANIMALS AND NUDE FEMALE FIGURE

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/North-Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th-14th c. BC/1500-1350 BC

Levantine/Cypriote

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded male, running, holds a winged sphinx and a winged lion by their tails; a nude female figure, holds a twig in her right hand and ibex in the left.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.



CAT.NR. MES. 5 –

MASTER OF ANIMALS WITH LIONS - SPHINX AND GRIFFIN

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/ca. 14th c. BC

Middle Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A pair formed with sphinx and griffin, both resting one foot on the back of a lion, and between them a palmette, flank a hero who controls the lions the sphinx and griffin are standing on; birds of prey above them;

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Seal no. 592

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Rock Crystal

SIZE

2,7 x 1,3 cm

the lions each stand on a recumbent bull. Beneath one lion is a kneeling antelope. On each tree sits a bird of prey and a winged sun-disc hangs above the Master of Animals.

The design retains many Mitannian features.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 47, 63 + fig. 107.

Gräff and Ritter 2011: 57-58 + fig. 8.





CAT.NR. MES. 6 -

GOLDEN BOWL WINGED SPHINX WITH ANIMALS AND MYTHOLOGICAL CREATURES

TYPE: Artefact/Bowl

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syria/Ugarit (Ras Shamra)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC

Late Bronze International Style

Plate decorated with pair of winged sphinxes near a Sacred Tree, surrounded by mammals and men (Hunting Scene). The combination of motifs and forms from the Near East and from Egypt is typical for the art of Phoenicia. The Sacred Tree is a typical Near Eastern motif but with Egyptian elements in this case: lotus and papyrus (cf. LVI. Different Symbols, Signs and Motifs).

Behind the winged sphinx stands a griffin; antithetical to the sphinx is a winged lion with bull-horns. The folded wings of both sphinxes and griffin are typical for the Aegean art.

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M10129 (4572)

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold SIZE

4,7 x 17,5 cm

INFORMATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Frankfort 1954: 257 + fig. 296.

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 332.

Demisch 1977: 48 + fig. 109.

Frankfort 1989: 257 + fig. 296.

Cornelius 2007: 612.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 239-241 Cat. 146.

Wicke 2008: Tafel 14b.

Pfälzner 2015: 178-188 + Fig. 4.



CAT.NR. MES. 7-

RELIEF WINGED SPHINX DECORATING THRONE

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Levant/Israel/Canaan/Megiddo

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th-12th c. BC/1250-1150 BC

DESCRIPTION:

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IAA 38.780

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory/Relief

SIZE

26 cm x 5,7 cm

Left: A ruler (king of Megiddo?) is seated on a throne decorated with standing winged sphinxes (female?). In front of him and behind him are men paying tribute and a musician.

Right: The ruler appears as a chariot driver coming home victoriously after a battle. In front of him are some prisoners following an armed warrior.

INFORMATION:

Wilson 1938: 335 + fig. 7. Loud 1939: 13 + Pl. 4 2a-b Frankfort 1954: 271 + fig. 316.

Demisch 1977: 57 + fig. 140.

Gubel 1987: 51 + fig. 3. Frankfort 1989: 270-271 + fig. 316.

Liebowitz 1987: 5 + fig. 1. Schmitt 2001: fig. 27.

Rehm 2004: 35-36.

Westenholz 2004a: 133 nr. 92.

Wicke 2008: Tafel 11b. Gilibert 2011b: 87.

CAT.NR. MES. 8 –

WINGED GRIFFIN MEGIDDO

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Levant

FIND SPOT: Levant/Israel/Megiddo/Palace

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC

Late Bronze II

DESCRIPTION:

This plaque is one of a group of objects discovered at Megiddo in a chamber that may have been the "treasury," within a large building that could have been a palace. It shows a reclining griffin, a motif borrowed from the art of the Mycenaeans. It is however uncertain whether the object itself was made by a Mycenaean craftsman, by a local ivory carver imitating Mycenaean prototypes, or was imported from Greece.

INFORMATION:

Frankfort 1936: 119 + fig. 23.

Frankfort 1936/1937: 119 + fig. 23.

Wilson 1938: fig. 3.

Loud 1939:14 + Pl. 9 32a-b

Frankfort 1954: 263 + fig. 304.

Hopkins 1963: 416 + Pl. 98 fig. 3.

Demisch 1977: 60, 65-66, 69 + fig. 171.

Frankfort 1989: 263 + fig. 304.

Wiggermann 1993-1997: 226.

Westenholz 2004a: 105 nr. 60.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 412 + fig. 128.





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OIM A22212

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

3,9 x 9,1 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER
BLMJ426

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Chalcedony

SIZE

4,7 x 1,8 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 9 – HERO ATTACKING GRIFFIN

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Northern Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC **Middle Assyrian Period**

DESCRIPTION: A bearded hero grabs a griffin by a front paw to hit it with a sort of stick he holds in his right hand. Above the griffin there is a moon-crescent.

INFORMATION:

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 185 nr. 153.

CAT.NR. MES. 10 – SPHINX ATTACKS WILD GOAT

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Levant/Israel/Megiddo

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC

Late Bronze II

DESCRIPTION:

Bearded winged sphinx wearing a cap and attacking a wild goat.

INFORMATION:

Loud 1939:13 + Pl. 5 4a-b. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 341. Demisch 1977: 62 + fig. 157. Metzger 1985: 270, nr. 1514.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory Size





MUSEUM ISRAEL ANTIQUITIES AUTHORITY MUSEUM NUMBER IAA 38.816 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE IVORY/Carved SIZE 13,5 x 12 x 7,5 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 11 – PAIRS OF WINGED SPHINXES AND LIONS

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Levant/Israel/Megiddo

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 13^{th} - 12^{th} c. BC/ca. 1250-1150 BC **Old Syrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A square ivory box decorated with two winged sphinxes (Syrian style) and two lions.

INFORMATION:

Loud 1939: 13 + Pl. I, Ia-h

Hopkins 1963: 416 + pl. 98 fig. 4. Westenholz 2004a: 134 nr. 93.





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PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
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AO 4485
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Lapis lazuli
SIZE
4,1 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 12 – WINGED SPHINX WITH EAGLE-CLAWS

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/11th-10th c. BC/ca. 1000 BC **Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A striding winged sphinx wearing a crown; the sphinx has eagle-claws instead of feline paws and the tail of a bird. It seems its lion-body is completely covered with feathers.

An inscription, mentioning the Moon-god and Mardoek, was added later.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 59-60 + fig. 148.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Copper alloy
SIZE
18 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 13 – BOWL WINGED SPHINXES AND WINGED SCARABS

TYPE: Artefact/Bowl

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq//Nimrud/North West Palace

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd-1st Mill. BC/16th-4th c. BC/1550-300 BC **Phoenician** (?)

DESCRIPTION:

This bowl with Egyptian motifs was one of a pile found in the palace of Ashurnasirpal II in Nimrud. It is decorated with seven concentric circles

In the first circle, there are depicted winged sphinxes, winged *Uraei*, lotus plants and deer.

In the second circle, winged scarabs, lotus flowers, winged *Uraei* and trees are to be seen.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.

CAT.NR. MES. 14 – DISC WITH SPHINXES AND WINGED BULLS

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Western Iran

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC **Iron Age II**

DESCRIPTION:

Disc decorated with winged sphinxes and winged bulls.

INFORMATION:

Calmeyer 1973: 76-77, 140-143. Muscarella 1988: 248, no. 344.





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NEW YORK –
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MUSEUM NUMBER
55.136
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze
SIZE
36,2 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

7 x 14,7/13,4 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 15 – PYXIS PAIRS OF SPHINXES FLANKING SACRED TREE

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Tell Halaf

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC/ca. 900 BC

Iron Age II

DESCRIPTION:

Two pairs of winged sphinxes stand beside a Sacred Tree. In between

the pairs is depicted a goddess.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 87 + fig. 18.

CAT.NR. MES. 16 –

RECUMBENT WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Israel/Palestine

FIND SPOT: Israel/Palestine

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-8th c. BC/925-700 BC

Iron Age II

DESCRIPTION:

A seal decorated with a recumbent winged sphinx. This is the only

official depiction of a sphinx found in Israel from this period.

INFORMATION:

Ahlstrom 1995: 587-603. Schmitt 2001: 129 + fig. 117.

(Corpus West Semitic seals: Avigad and Sass 1997)

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



THRONE WINGED FEMALE SPHINX ATTACKED BY WINGED

GENIUSES

TYPE: Artefact/Throne

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: North Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), North West Palace

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Openwork furniture panels:

Upper panel: two winged geniuses with horned caps are fighting with a

winged female-headed sphinx, also wearing a horned cap.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Copper Alloy/Open-work, chased, hammered, cut, embossed

SIZE

31,3 x 13,6 cm

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Lower panel: two winged monsters, part lion and part bird, rest their forepaws on a Sacred Tree.

INFORMATION:

Layard 1853: 198-200.

Mallowan 1966.



CAT.NR. MES. 18 –

RELIEF WINGED SPHINXES ATTACK WINGED BULL

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged beardless sphinxes attack a winged bull while a lion attacks

one of the sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 61-62 + fig. 156.



CAT.NR. MES. 19 –

WINGED SPHINX ATTACKING WILD GOAT

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Asia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC Neo-Assyrian



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N.1101

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Serpentine

SIZE

4 x 1,5 cm

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx attacks a wild goat; in front of the goat is a feather-like plant, below it is a double wedge, and above it is probably a sun or star and the Pleiades; before the sphinx are two double wedges, below it is a

wedge and above it is a crescent.

INFORMATION:

Layard 1853: pl. 69, 47.

Wiseman, Forman a.o. 1959: pl. 86.

Demisch 1977: 61 + fig. 155. Collon 2001: pl. VI nr. 68.

Gräff and Ritter 2011: 64 Cat. 14.



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ME 118802
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Gypsum
SIZE
350 x 371 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 20 – WINGED SPHINX WITH HORNED CROWN

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: North Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Palace Assurnasirpal II

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC/883-859 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

This is one of a pair of guardian figures that flanked an entrance to the throne room of Assurnasirpal II (883-859 BC). Stone mythological guardians were often placed at gateways to Syro-Mesopotamian palaces, to protect them from demonic forces. They were known to the Assyrians as *Lamassu*. This winged bearded sphinx has 5 legs so that when looked at from the front it is standing, and when viewed from the side it seems to be striding forward. Between the legs is inscribed the 'Standard Inscription' of Assurnasirpal which is repeated over many of his reliefs. It records the king's titles, ancestry and achievements.

INFORMATION:

Budge 1922a: p. 42 + Pl. VII. Hall 1928: 37 + Pl. XX.

Demisch 1977: 44-45, 53, 56 + fig. 128a.

Ritter 2011: 70, 77 Cat. 17.

CAT.NR. MES. 21 –

WINGED BULL-SPHINX WITH HORNED CROWN

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: North Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Palace Assurnasirpal II

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC/883-859 BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged bearded bull-sphinx found in the palace of Assurnasirpal, one of a pair of guardian figures from the palace of Assurnasirpal II (883-859 BC) at the Assyrian capital Kalhu. The second one of the pair is in the Metropolitan Museum, New York.

Stone sculptures of mythological figures were designed to protect the palace from demonic forces, and may even have guarded the entrance to the private apartments of the king. The 'Standard Inscription' of Assurnasirpal is inscribed between the figure's legs. It tells of the King's titles, ancestry and achievements.

The helmet with horns indicates the creature's divinity.

INFORMATION:

Hall 1928: 40 + Pl. XXVIII. Demisch 1977: 33, 44-45, 57.

Roaf 1990: 163.

Ritter 2011: 70, 77 Cat. 18.



MUSEUM LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER ME 118872/1850,01228.2 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

309 x 315 cm



LOCATION
NIMRUD/NORTHWEST PALACE
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: North Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Palace Assurnasirpal II

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC/883-859 BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

This is the third pair of *Lamassu* that decorates the main court of the Palace of Assurnasirpal II in Nimrud (cf. Cat.Nrs. Mes. 20-21). This one is different from the others in that it has markings of a fish on its body, that run all the way from the belly, over the breast and the neck and that end in a fish head decorating the human-head.

INFORMATION:

Ritter 2011: 70-72 + fig. 5.

CAT.NR. MES. 23 – NIMRUD GATE LAMASSU

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)

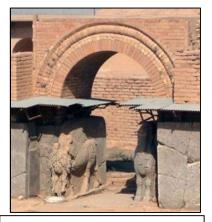
DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Next to another entrance gate stand two Lamassu.

INFORMATION:

Ritter 2011: 68 + fig. 2.



LOCATION
NIMRUD
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



Cat.Nr. Mes. 24 – Relief Winged Bearded Sphinx with Horns

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syria/Tell Halaf/Palace/Hilani Façade

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

LOCATION
TELL HALAF
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

A winged and bearded standing sphinx wearing horns. The bull-aspect of this sphinx is very clear: two powerful horns + two horns that go down next to the face and that end in a curl (spiral).

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 51-52 + fig. 121.



CAT.NR. MES. 25 – RELIEF WINGED SPHINX WITH HORNS

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syria/Tell Halaf/Palace/Hilani Façade

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC

Neo-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

A winged bearded sphinx wearing a horned cap.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 52 + fig. 125. Gilibert 2011b: 88-89 + fig. 21 c.



66,5 x 37,49 x 19,99 cm



CAT.NR. MES. 26 – RELIEF FEMALE WINGED SPHINX WITH LION PROTOME

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syria/Tell Halaf/Palace/Hilani Façade

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC

Neo-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

A female winged sphinx with a lion-head on its breast.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 88-89 + fig. 21a.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Basalt/Relief

SIZE

61 x 41 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Basalt/Relief SIZE 65 x 46 cm



TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syria/Tell Halaf/Palace/Hilani Façade

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC

Neo-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

Relief of a female winged sphinx found on the southern façade of the Temple-Palace in Tell Halaf.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 88-89 + fig. 21b.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 28 –
RELIEF WINGED GENIUS HOLDS WINGED SPHINXES UPSIDE
DOWN

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A Genius with four wings holds with each hand a back paw of a winged beardless sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 40, 42, 63 + fig. 168.

RELATED:

Winged Genius Holds Sphinxes Upside Down, 2nd Mill. BC, ca. 1500 BC, Mitanni, Cylinder Seal.
 Demisch 1977: 40, 42, 63 + fig. 167.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 8,3 cm



TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Nimrud/Palace Assurnasirpal

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A standing winged beardless sphinx is threatened by a bearded winged Genius. In between the two of them stands a Sacred Tree.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 42, 56, 62 + fig. 160.

Collon 2001: pl. XLIV.

CAT.Nr. Mes. 30 – Winged Genius Standing on Winged Sphinxes

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC/850-825 BC **Neo-Assyrian**



In the centre a winged disc above a stylized Sacred Tree, that is flanked by 2 geniuses who are standing on the backs of 2 winged beardless sphinxes wearing horned headdresses (Albenda claims the sphinxes have a small round beard and there are no horns on their cap). The winged disc encircles a bearded god who wears a flat-topped, horned headdress; the god faces to the left and raises his right hand while holding the disc with the other. The sphinxes each touch the Tree.

The bearded geniuses wear headdresses with double pairs of horns; they each have four wings with only two shown and the nearer one lowered and are holding cones and buckets.

The sphinx is to be seen here as the helper of the gods; it supports them in all they endeavour.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 47, 58, 63 + fig. 165.

Albenda 1978: 21 + fig. 9. Ward 1910: 224 + Fig. 679. Wiseman, Forman a.o. 1959: 66.

Collon 1987: nr. 879.

Collon 2001: pl. XII nr. 152. Gräff and Ritter 2011: 58 + fig. 10.



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LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1846,0523.350
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Cornelian/Drilled
SIZE

4,95 x 1,9 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 31 – PAIR OF SPHINXES WITH RAM-HEAD

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Arslan Tash (Hadatu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC/850-800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Two ram-headed winged sphinxes (Criosphinxes) flanking a Sacred Tree. In Egypt, the ram-headed sphinxes refer to the Sun-god in his nightly form. Egyptian ram-headed sphinxes, however, are never winged.

INFORMATION:

Frankfort 1954: 319 + fig. 379. Demisch 1977: 49 + fig. 113.

Schmitt 2001: fig. 119.

CAT.NR. MES. 32 -ARCHER IN A SPHINX-DRAWN CHARIOT ATTACKING A SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A raised winged bearded sphinx confronts an archer that aims at it with bow and arrow; the archer stands in a chariot drawn by another winged

(bearded?) sphinx.

Pittman 1987: no. 82, p. 75, p. 80.



CAT.NR. MES. 33 -



SPHINX WITH DOUBLE EGYPTIAN CROWN

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Damascus/Palace (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinx wearing the Egyptian Double-crown and the Pharaoh-

beard.

INFORMATION:

Winter 1981.



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1986.311.58

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Stone SIZE

2,8 x 1,1 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Basalt

SIZE

80 cm

RELATED:

- *Sphinx Plaque*, 9th-8th c. BC, Artefact, Ivory, 3,3 x 2,6 cm, Northern Kingdom of Israel, Samaria, Israel Antiquities Authority, IAA 33.2597.

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 136 nr. 95.





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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Copper Alloy

SIZE

21,7 x 2,85 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 34 – BOWL PAIRS OF FALCON-HEADED SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/North West Palace

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Four pairs of winged griffins confront each other. The griffins wear aprons with projecting *Uraei* and the double crown of Upper and Lower Egypt. Each rests a front paw on the head of a human figure. Between the confronted griffins are papyrus columns, and above them winged sundiscs, while between each pair of griffins is a large papyrus column supporting a winged scarab holding a sun-disc with double *Uraei* (cf. LVI. Different Symbols, Signs and Motifs).

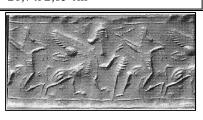
In the centre of the bowl is a floral motif surrounded by five friezes of lotus flowers.

INFORMATION:

Layard 1853: 185-186 nr. 1.

Budge 1922a: 169.

Frankfort 1954: 328-329 + fig. 391.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 35 – Sphinx Fighting Archer

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A man aims with bow and arrow at a winged bearded sphinx. Between the two of them there stands a little stylized tree (Sacred Tree?).

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 42, 62 + fig. 159.

RELATED:

- Sphinx Attacked by Archer, 1st Mill. BC, 9th-8th c. BC, 820-740 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Cylinder Seal Impression, Serpentine, 2,9 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, London, British Museum, WA 108844. Gräff and Ritter 2011: 65 Cat. 15.



CAT.NR. MES. 36 – IVORY PLAQUE DEPICTING A WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & the Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Phoenician

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1963,1214.8

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

6,9 x 7,75 x 1 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Striding winged sphinx wearing the Egyptian Double-crown. Hanging from its chest is a projecting *Uraeus*. The style shows that the ivory was probably carved by a Phoenician craftsman on the coast of the Levant.

INFORMATION:

Barnett and Davies 1975: Pl. CXXXIV.

Curtis and Reade: 1995: 92.

Splendours 2011: 118-119, Cat. 81.

RELATED:

- Figure Head, Legs, Wings, Human-headed Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 9th-8th c. BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 19,4 x 8,2 x 1,8 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, London, British Museum, 1963,1214.1.

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CAT.NR. MES. 37 –

IVORY PLAQUE DEPICTING A STANDING WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinx striding to the left, a flowering "lily"-tendril in the background. The sphinx wears a pharaonic head-cloth, the crown of Upper and Lower Egypt and has an Osiris beard. Around its neck is a collar and between its forelegs hangs an apron.

INFORMATION:

Barnett and Davies 1975: pl. CXXXIV, Suppl.23.

MUSEUM LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1962,1110.5 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory/Champlevé

SIZE

12,9 x 7,9 cm



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62,269,4

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

5,21 x 15,7 x 0,71 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 38 – PLAQUE PAIR OF STRIDING SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of beardless Bastet sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Gubel 1998: 638-640.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.49.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory Size CAT.NR. MES. 39 – PYXIS PAIR OF SPHINXES

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Iraq/North-Iraq/Nimrud

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Syrian

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes touch a Sacred Tree with a front paw.

INFORMATION:

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 103 + fig. 10.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

15,01 x 5,89 x 0,99 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 40 –

PLAQUE WINGED STRIDING SPHINX SUPPORTED BY TWO MEN

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx is carried by two kneeling men.

INFORMATION:

Herrmann and Laidlaw 2013: 171, pl. 59.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
IVORY

CAT.NR. MES. 41 – PLAQUE WITH STANDING/STRIDING SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/9^{th}$ - 8^{th} c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Striding or standing winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Crawford 1965: 217, fig. 10. Mallowan 1966: 528, fig. 442. Herrmann 1992: 118, pl. 85.

Aruz and De Lapérouse 2014: 145, fig. 3.32.

Herrmann 2017: 104-106, fig. 152.



CAT.NR. MES. 42 –

OPENWORK PLAQUE WITH STANDING/STRIDING RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A winged Ram-headed sphinx striding in a lotus flower-field.

INFORMATION:

Hermann and Laidlaw 2013: 176, pl. 67.

Bahrani 2014: 146.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.57a.

RELATED:

- Plaque with Striding Ram-headed Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 9th-8th c. BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 11,1 x 8,2 x 0,61 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art, 67.22.2. © Metmuseum.

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SIZE

8,8 x 10,3 x 2,1 cm

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64.37.7

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

 $7.8 \times 8 \times 0.8 \text{ cm}$



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62.269.5

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

10,1 x 6,3 x 1,1 cm



TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A winged Ram-headed sphinx is carried by two kneeling men.

INFORMATION:

Mallowan 1966: 548, fig. 484.

Mallowan 1978: 42. Gubel 2000: 209, fig. 27. Fontan 2007: 374, no. 296.

Herrmann and Laidlaw 2013: 169, no; 251, pl. 54.

Hermann 2017: 113, fig. 164.



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67.22.3

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory Size

 $4.7 \times 15.2 \times 0.7 \text{ cm}$

CAT.NR. MES. 44 –

PLAQUE TWO OFFERING CROWNED RAM-HEADED SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assvrian

DESCRIPTION:

Two recumbent worshipping winged ram-headed sphinxes with humanarms and hands.

INFORMATION:

Crawford 1967: 51-52.

Herrmann 1986: 154, no. 645, pl. 157. Herrmann 2017: 139, fig. 205.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

64.37.8

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

7,59 x 7,49 x 0,89 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 45 –

OPENWORK PLAQUE WITH STANDING/STRIDING HUMANHEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinx wearing a double-crown.

INFORMATION:

Herrmann and Laidlaw 2013: 175, no. 280, pl. 66.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

8 x 15,7 x 0,8 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 46 –
PLAQUE STANDING/STRIDING WINGED SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/North West Palace

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes back to back.

INFORMATION:

Barnett and Davies 1975: C.62.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
IVORY
SIZE
6.6 x 7 x 0.6 cm

CAT.Nr. Mes. 47 – Standing Human-headed Sphinx Trampling Enemy

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, human-headed sphinx with foreleg on head of male lying on his side; the sphinx wears a Double-crown over a head cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

RELATED:

- Standing Human-headed Sphinx Trampling Enemy, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 6,9 x 2,1 x 0,7 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13084.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
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SIZE

CAT.Nr. Mes. 48 – Standing Winged Human-headed Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/9^{th}$ - 8^{th} c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, human-headed sphinx faces left, right foreleg raised; wears the double crown over a head cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



CAT.Nr. Mes. 49 – Standing Winged Human-headed Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud, Fort Shalmaneser, Room SW 37

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

 $7.1 \times 3.2 \times 0.6 \text{ cm}$

Winged, human-headed sphinx facing left, head turned to the front; a plant growing behind it.

INFORMATION:

Curtis et al. (eds.) 2008: 227-228 + fig. 27-e.

RELATED:

- Recumbent Winged Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 4,6 x 6,9 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65323.

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STANDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX WITH BULL

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Upper field: bull-calf; lower field: winged, human-headed sphinx, facing right, wearing a double crown over a head cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

RELATED:

- Standing Winged Human-headed Sphinx with Bull, 9th-8th c. BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 7 x 3,3 x 0,9 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65212.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory

SIZE 7,1 x 3,2 x 0,6 cm



CAT.NR. MES. 51 – STANDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX WITH HUMAN

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Male facing left above a floral design; beneath this a winged, human-headed sphinx; the male wears a short wig and a short skirt, the sphinx wears a double crown over a head cloth (*Nemes*).

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ND13640

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory Size

10,5 x 2,7 x 0,7 cm



CAT.NR. MES. 52 – STANDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX WITH FALCON-HEADED MAN

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

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IM65247

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

10,2 x 3,1 x 0,5 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Upper field: winged, human-headed sphinx, wearing a crown decorated with a sun-disc over a head cloth (*Nemes*), below it a floral design; in the lower field: a winged, falcon-headed male holding flowers.

INFORMATION:

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ND10547

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

5,5 x 13,8 x 0,5 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 53 –
PAIR OF STANDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. BC/ 9^{th} - 8^{th} c. BC/ca. 800 BC

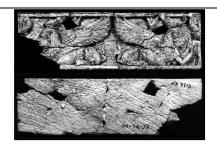
Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged, human-headed sphinxes facing a stylized tree; they wear a double crown over a head cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

Suter 2011: 229, 232 + fig. 7.



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IM72082
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

5,2 x 16,8 x 0,7 cm



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ND9428
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Ivory

SIZE 3,9 x 4,5 x 0,6 cm



TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged, human-headed sphinxes lying back to back; their human arms are raised towards stylized trees. The sphinxes wear double crowns over head-cloths (*Nemes*) and collars.

INFORMATION:

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CAT.NR. MES. 55 – STRIDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

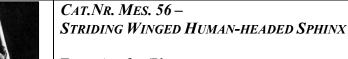
DESCRIPTION:

Winged, human-headed sphinx wearing double crown over head-cloth

(Nemes).

INFORMATION:

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TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, human-headed sphinx; it wears a double crown over a head-cloth (*Nemes*). On its back a lotus-flower.

INFORMATION:

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Material/Technique

Ivory Size

5,8 x 7,2 x 0,5 cm



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IM65472

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

11,1 x 10 x 1,5 cm

RELATED:

- Striding Winged Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 7,1 x 8,3 x 0,7 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65345.
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- Striding Winged Human-headed Sphinx with Lotus, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 6,8 x 6,2 x 0,9 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM74670.
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- Winged Human-headed Sphinx with Lotus, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 10,1 x 7 x 0,8 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65264.
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CAT.NR. MES. 57-

STANDING/STRIDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, human-headed sphinx; wearing a double crown over a head-cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

RELATED:

- Standing/Striding Winged Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 9,4 x 4,2 x 0,6 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13312.

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- Standing/Striding Winged Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 8,6 x 9,4 x 1,2 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND9738.

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- Standing/Striding Winged Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory 3,5 x 9,4 x 0,7 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM69983.
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- Head, Wings, Legs Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 4,7 x 2,2 x 0,5 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13643.

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- *Head, Body, Wings Human-headed Sphinx*, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 5,5 x 3,4 x 0,7 cm,

Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13374. © Oriental Institute Chicago.

- Head, Body, Wings Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 8,4 x 5,8 x 0,8 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13204. © Oriental Institute Chicago.
- Head, Legs Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 13,1 x 4,1 x 1,2 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND9605.
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CAT.NR. MES. 58 -STANDING/STRIDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, human-headed sphinx; wears a crown over a head-cloth (Nemes).

INFORMATION:

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MUSEUM CHICAGO -**ORIENTAL INSTITUTE** MUSEUM NUMBER ND13201 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory SIZE

 $3,5 \times 5,2 \times 0,7 \text{ cm}$

MUSEUM CHICAGO -**ORIENTAL INSTITUTE** MUSEUM NUMBER IM65231 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory

 $4.7 \times 6 \times 0.9 \text{ cm}$

SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 59 – STANDING/STRIDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, human-headed sphinx facing right, legs missing; wears a headcloth (Nemes).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

RELATED:

- Head, Body, Wings Human-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 5 x 3,9 x 0,7 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13319. © Oriental Institute Chicago.
- Head, Body, Wings Human-headed Sphinx, 9^{th} - 8^{th} c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 4,5 x 3,5 x 0,9 cm,



Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13310.

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CAT.NR. MES. 60 -

STANDING/STRIDING WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX WITH FLOWER

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

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MUSEUM NUMBER
ND13588
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Ivory

11,2 x 8,2 x 0,8 cm

SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, human-headed sphinx that wears a double crown.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



CAT.NR. MES. 61 – HEAD, WINGS HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Remains of a winged, human-headed sphinx; wears a head-cloth (Nemes).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



CAT.NR. MES. 62 – HEAD, BODY HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Head and body of a human-headed sphinx; wears a plain head-cloth (Nemes).



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MUSEUM NUMBER

ND13363

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

 $7.5 \times 4.3 \times 0.5 \text{ cm}$

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



CAT.NR. MES. 63 – HEAD, LEGS HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/9^{th}$ - 8^{th} c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

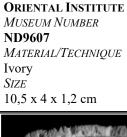
DESCRIPTION:

Front of winged, human-headed sphinx; wears a sun-disc crown over a

head-cloth.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



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CAT.NR. MES. 64 –
RECUMBENT WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent winged griffin; wears double crown over head-cloth.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

RELATED:

- Recumbent Winged Falcon-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 3,8 x 6,2 x 0,5 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13641.

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MUSEUM NUMBER

IM62712

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

Size

2,1 x 2,5 x 0,4 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER
IM62713
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
IVORY
SIZE
5,9 x 2,4 x 0.6 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 65 – SEATED WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Griffin with its right forepaw on a flower, the left one raised; wears a double crown over a head-cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



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MUSEUM NUMBER
IM65391
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
IVOTY
SIZE
6,9 x 3,3 x 0,6 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 66 – SEATED WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged griffin below a floral design; wears double crown over a head-cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

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CAT.NR. MES. 67 – STANDING WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, falcon-headed sphinx; wears a sun disc over a head-cloth (Nemes).

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MUSEUM NUMBER

IM65184

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory

SIZE

5,4 x 3,2 x 0,9 cm



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RELATED:

- Standing Winged Falcon-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 5,4 x 3,4 x 0,7 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65375.

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CAT.NR. MES. 68 -

STANDING WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINX TRAMPLING ENEMY

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. BC/ 9^{th} - 8^{th} c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

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MUSEUM NUMBER

IM65371

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

6 x 6,8 x 0,6 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Winged griffin with its left foreleg on the head of a male who is resting on his elbow; the sphinx wears a double crown over a head-cloth (*Nemes*); the male wears a short wig.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

RELATED:

- Standing Winged Falcon-headed Sphinx Trampling Enemy, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 8 x 7,4 x 0,7 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65393.
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- Standing Winged Falcon-headed Sphinx Trampling Enemy, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 7,8 x 7,2 x 0,7 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM62667.

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CAT.NR. MES. 69 –

STRIDING WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged griffin that faces left; wears double crown over a head cloth (Nemes).

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MUSEUM NUMBER

IM62699

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Ivory

SIZE

4,8 x 4,5 x 0,5 cm

INFORMATION:

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RELATED:

- Striding Winged Falcon-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 5,7 x 6,1 x 0,5 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65324.
 - © Oriental Institute Chicago.
- Striding Winged Falcon-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 5,9 x 6,5 x 0,8 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65259.
 - © Oriental Institute Chicago.
- Striding Winged Falcon-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 5,9 x 6,4 x 0,4 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65390.
 - © Oriental Institute Chicago.
- Striding Winged Falcon-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 7,6 x 5,6 x 0,7 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65373.
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MUSEUM NUMBER

IM65227

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

 $4.7 \times 4.2 \times 0.9 \text{ cm}$

CAT.NR. MES. 70 -

PAIR OF STANDING/STRIDING WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged griffin, back to back above a floral design; the griffin on the right wears a disc over a head-cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



CAT.NR. MES. 71 –

STRIDING WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINX WITH TWO MEN

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Top: Male wearing a double crown and a short wig, holding a flower;

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MUSEUM NUMBER

IM65876

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

20,6 x 3,3 x 0,8 cm

Middle: A winged griffin, wearing a sun-disc crown over a head cloth;

Bottom: A male with a sun-disc on his head.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



CAT.NR. MES. 72 – RECUMBENT WINGED RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

Winged Criosphinx lying down with its head with curly horns turned to

the front.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



IM65214 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

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Ivory SIZE

5.1 x 8 cm

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CAT.NR. MES. 73 – STANDING/STRIDING WINGED RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, ram-headed sphinx wearing a double-crown over a head-cloth (Nemes); on its back and between its legs are lotus-flowers.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

RELATED:

Standing/Striding Winged Ram-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 9,8 x 8 x 0,8 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, IM65417.

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Standing/Striding Winged Ram-headed Sphinx, 9th-8th c. BC, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, 11,6 x 9,4 x 1 cm, Iraq, Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, Chicago, Oriental Institute, Excavation Number ND13305. © Oriental Institute Chicago.

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MUSEUM NUMBER

IM62187

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

 $7.1 \times 7.2 \times 1 \text{ cm}$



MUSEUM CHICAGO -**ORIENTAL INSTITUTE** MUSEUM NUMBER IM72084 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE **Ivory**

11,2 x 6 x 0,8 cm

SIZE

SIZE

MUSEUM CHICAGO -**ORIENTAL INSTITUTE** MUSEUM NUMBER IM74801 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory

 $4.6 \times 13.5 \times 0.7 \text{ cm}$



CAT.NR. MES. 74 – STRIDING WINGED RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Front of a winged Criosphinx facing to the left; wearing an elaborate crown over a head-cloth (Nemes).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

CAT.NR. MES. 75 – PAIR OF RECUMBENT WINGED RAM-HEADED SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged Criosphinxes lying back to back; the one on the right wears a double-crown over a head-cloth (Nemes), the one on the left wears the remains of a head-cloth.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

CAT.NR. MES. 76 -HEAD, WINGS, LEGS, RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Front of a winged Criosphinx; wears a sun-disc crown over a head-cloth (Nemes).

INFORMATION:

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MUSEUM NUMBER

IM69985

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

11,2 x 5,9 x 0,8 cm

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CAT.NR. MES. 77 – HEAD, WINGS, LEGS RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE **Ivory**

SIZE 8,3 x 4,6 x 0,9 cm DESCRIPTION:

Front of winged, ram-headed sphinx facing to the right; wears a head-

cloth.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



CAT.NR. MES. 78 -

RECUMBENT WINGED SPHINX WITH MAN HOLDING BLOSSOMS

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded male figure holds some blossoms, at his feet grow (lotus)flowers; above him a winged Sun-disc, beneath him a recumbent

beardless winged sphinx.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

INFORMATION:

Winter 1976a: 26, 42 + fig. 14.

Gilibert 2011b: 90-91.

RELATED:

Standing Winged Sphinx with Man Holding Blossoms, 1st Mill. BC, 9th-8th c. BC, Neo-Assyrian, Artefact, Plaque, Ivory, Iraq, Nimrud, Fort Shalmaneser, Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq Museum.

Gilibert 2011b: fig. 25.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

52.23.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

13,79 x 7,8 x 0,89 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 79 – **OPENWORK PLAQUE WITH SPHINX AT A TREE**

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Nimrud/Palace Assurnasirpal II

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A winged beardless sphinx clings to a tree.

INFORMATION:

Mallowan 1951: 136 + fig. 7.

Wilkinson 1952: 235. Oates 1958: 17, no. 3.

Mallowan 1966: 59, 62, 321, 655 + fig. 22.

Gilibert 2011b: 90 + fig. 24.



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NEW YORK -

METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

61.197.8

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

8,4 x 19,7 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 80 -TWO WINGED GRIFFINS TRAMPLING AN ASIATIC

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-7th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

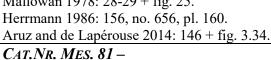
DESCRIPTION:

Two winged falcon-headed sphinxes each trampling a captive.

INFORMATION:

Crawford 1962: 141 + fig. 1.

Mallowan 1966: 570 + fig. 521. Mallowan 1978: 28-29 + fig. 25.





TWO STANDING WINGED SPHINXES WITH BEARDED MAN

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

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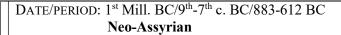
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Chalcedony

SIZE

2,9 x 1,3 cm

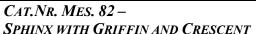


DESCRIPTION:

A bearded figure (Master of Animals) wearing a long richly decorated mantle holds two winged sphinxes, one bearded, one beardless. In the field above the scene there are two crescents.

INFORMATION:

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TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Assyria

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-7th c. BC/883-612 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx stands before a large vessel from which emerges a plant together with a long staff on which a seven pointed star. Behind the sphinx stands a winged griffin with its head turned backwards. In the field above the sphinx a crescent.

This seal is a typical example of Neo-Assyrian Linear style.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

CAT.NR. MES. 83 – Sphinx Attacked by Archer

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 9th-7th c. BC/883-612 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Robed archer (king?) shoots at sphinx from back. This seal is in the Neo-Assyrian Linear style.

Neo-Assyrian

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

RELATED:

Bearded Sphinx Attacked by Archer, 9th-7th c. BC, 883-612 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Cylinder Seal + Impression, Faience, 2,5 x 1 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, Boston, Museum of Fine Arts, 65.1499.
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MUSEUM NUMBER

36.215

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Chalcedony

SIZE

 $3.6 \times 1.4 \text{ cm}$



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MUSEUM NUMBER

65.1494

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Faience

SIZE

 $2,2 \times 0,8 \text{ cm}$



MUSEUM BOSTON -MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS MUSEUM NUMBER 65.918

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE **Ivory** SIZE $7.8 \times 9 \text{ cm}$



MUSEUM BOSTON -MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS MUSEUM NUMBER 65.924

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory SIZE 4.4 x 8 cm



TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 9th-7th c. BC/883-612 BC

Neo-Assyrian/Syro-Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Ivory inlay plaque in Egyptian style depicting a sphinx wearing the Egyptian double crown and trampling an enemy.

Found in the Northwest Palace of Assurnasirpal II in Nimrud. (Room S.W. 37).

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

CAT.NR. MES. 85 -FURNITURE INLAY RECUMBENT WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Furniture Inlay

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-7th c. BC/883-612 BC Neo-Assyrian/Phoenician or Syrian

DESCRIPTION:

Found in the Northwest Palace of Assurnasirpal II in Nimrud (Room S.W.

A recumbent winged sphinx is shown on a Syrian-style plaque.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

CAT.NR. MES. 86 -SCARAB WITH SPHINX, URAEUS AND CROWN

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria FIND SPOT: Syria/Aleppo/Tell Ahmar (Til Barsib)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-7th c. BC/850-650 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A human-headed bearded sphinx lying with a *Uraeus* and wearing the Red crown. Before the sphinx a large Ankh; above its back 'nfr' and a winged *Uraeus* holding the sign 'šn' (protection).

INFORMATION:

Hornung, Stähelin, a.o. 1976: 313 nr. 615, 399 nr. MV25.

Giveon 1985: 172, nr. 4.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1908,0613.56

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Glazed Composition/ Pierced, engraved

SIZE

2 x 1,3 x 0,75 cm

Religious



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LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1884,0714,249

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Glazed composition/

Pierced, glazed, engraved

SIZE

1,4 x 1,7 x 0,95 cm



TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt (?)

FIND SPOT: Syria/Central Syria/Tartus/Amrit

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1539-1075 BC

New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent bearded sphinx with Uraeus on its forehead and two feathers on its head. Behind it, a winged Uraeus, in front the goddess

Maat, holding a large *Ankh*-sign.

INFORMATION:

Giveon 1985: 180, nr. 11.

Hornung, Stähelin, a.o. 1976: 255 nr. 322, 313 nr. 615, 399 nr.

MV25.

CAT.NR. MES. 88 –

PAIR OF SPHINXES FLANKING HATHOR-HEAD

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of seated winged sphinxes flanking a Hathor-head. Above the sphinxes a winged Sun-disc. The sphinxes each hold one paw above

the goddess's head as if they are protecting her.

INFORMATION:

Ward 1910: 405 + fig. 1305c.

Demisch 1977: 58 + fig. 143.

CAT.NR. MES. 89 -

GODDESS WITH WORSHIPPER (KING?)

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Probably Northern Syria

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th-14th c. BC/1500-1350 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A goddess stands with her arms bent up, in front of her stands a worshipper, possibly a king. Behind the goddess the field is divided into three registers. On top there are two winged and bearded seated



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



BOSTON -

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MUSEUM NUMBER

98,702

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Hematite

SIZE

2,1 cm

sphinxes, the middle register is a guilloche, in the bottom register two seated lions of which one is holding a dead stag.

INFORMATION:

Museum of Fine Arts Boston.





MUSEUM
CHICAGO –
ORIENTAL INSTITUTE
MUSEUM NUMBER
OIM A 22213
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
IVORY
SIZE

9,6 x 7,1 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 90 – PLAQUE OFFERING SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Israel/Palestine/Megiddo

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mil. BC/14th c. BC **Late Bronze IIB**

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent female sphinx wearing a floral headdress with human-

hands holds cups in an offering gesture.

This image clearly shows some Egyptian influence.

INFORMATION:

Wilson 1938: fig. 3.

Loud 1939: 13 + Pl. 7. 21, 22a-b.

Frankfort 1954: 268 + fig. 312.

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 335.

Demisch 1977: 48 + fig. 112.

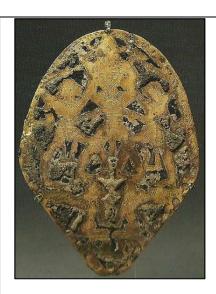
Frankfort 1989: 268 + fig. 312.

Liebowitz 1987: 7 + fig. 2.

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 135 nr. 94.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 145.

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 101 + fig. 6.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold, Silver SIZE 9,8 x 7,2 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 91 – GOLD AND SILVER APPLIQUÉ WITH PAIR OF SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Appliqué

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia(?)/Levant(?)

FIND SPOT: Levant/Lebanon/Kāmid el-Lōz

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th-13th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Although the composition is very Egyptian (e.g. the Bes-like central figure, the beardless humans that attack it, the lotus-flowers beneath the sphinxes and indeed the rendering of the sphinxes themselves), the iconography on this appliqué certainly is not. It would be unheard of in Egypt that a deity, the large central bearded figure with horned cap, would be subdued by lesser beings, in this case mere humans. Yet, this is the case, with a lot of interlocking legs and arms.

Kawami beliefs the image shows an episode from the *Epic of Gilgamesh*, more precisely, Gilgamesh and Enkidu attacking the Guardian of the Cedar Forrest, Humbaba (Huwawa).

Cf. 12.5. Gold and Silver Appliqué with Pair of Sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Kawami 1990: 77-78 Cat.Nr. 59. Hansen 1994: 221-230 + Plates 23-26.

Liliquist 1994: 214-215. Beck 2000: 165-183.

Ornan 2010: 235: footnote 28, 250: footnote 92.

Aruz 2015: 54 + fig. 32.

(For sphinxes in the Sacred Tree: Gubel 2005: 111-148; Gubel

2009: 187-208.)

(For more information on Humbaba: Ornan 2010).



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 92 –

RAISED SPHINX BEFORE THRONING GODDESS

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: ???? FIND SPOT: Syria or Cyprus

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC **Late Bronze II**

DESCRIPTION:

Standing sphinx before a goddess on her throne; she holds the sphinx by its front paws. Behind the goddess stands another figure (cf. 8.4. Sphinx/Griffin/Criosphinx Flanking/Decorating Throne).

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 63 + fig. 164.

RELATED:

 Goddess Flanked by Animals, Cylinder Seal, Hematite, 15th-13th c. BC, Middle Syrian, Syria.

Collon 1987: nr. 315. Marinatos 2000: Figure 6.5.





MUSEUM CHICAGO – ORIENTAL INSTITUTE MUSEUM NUMBER A 22292 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory/Relief
SIZE

10,4 cm



TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: ????? FIND SPOT: Israel/Megiddo

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/1400-1200 BC/13th c. BC

Late Bronze II/Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of sphinxes flanking a sort of apotheosis (sacral) scene with men and women; below are 4 bulls.

Under a winged Sun-disc, held up by two double-headed geniuses stands a male figure holding a small Sacred Tree in his hand. This man is either the ruler or the Sun-god.

The second to fourth registers show men (geniuses?) wearing horned caps and a Bull-man; on either side of them a seated winged sphinx.

There are two different types of sphinxes, two winged, two wingless; two with conical hats (typical for gods) and two with a lion-protome on their breast.

The rosettes on the plaque enhance the symbolic aspect of the imagery.

INFORMATION:

Loud 1939:10, 14 + Pl. 10 44a-d Canby 1975: 240-241 + fig. 15. Demisch 1977: 58-59 + fig. 146. Frankfort 1989: 236 + fig. 274.

(About myths in Israel: Smith 1995: 2031-2041.)



LOCATION
AIN DĀRĀ
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 94 – AIN DĀRĀ SPHINX PROTOMES

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syria/North-Syria/Ain Dārā/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC

Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

The walls of the space before the cella of the temple at Ain Dārā are decorated with sphinx- and lion-protomes.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 79-80 + fig. 2.

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syria/Aleppo/Temple Weather-god

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC Hittite

CAT.NR. MES. 95 -ALEPPO SPHINX RELIEF



LOCATION ALEPPO MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

INFORMATION: Gilibert 2011b: 80 + fig. 4. CAT.NR. MES. 96 -

AHIRAM SARCOPHAGUS

DESCRIPTION:

TYPE: Artefact/Sarcophagus

PRODUCTION PLACE: Svro-Mesopotamia & Levant

is striding and has wings and an elaborate headdress.

FIND SPOT: Israel/Byblos/Tomb V

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/11th c. BC Early Iron/Phoenician

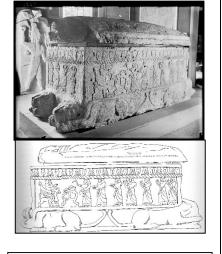
DESCRIPTION:

The major scene represents a king seated on a throne carved with a winged sphinx, its tail held in an "S"-shape. The sphinx head is shaven, except for a side-coil. A priestess offers the king a fading lotus flower (symbol of death). On the lid two male figures confront one another with seated lions between them.

This Hittite relief, produced in the 13th c. BC, was re-used on the

Temple of the Weather-god in the 9th c. BC. The human-faced sphinx

An inscription says: "A coffin made it [It]tobaal, son of Ahirom, king of Byblos, for Ahirom, his father, lo, thus he put him in seclusion. Now, if a king among kings and a governor among governors and a commander of an army should come up against Byblos; and when he then uncovers this coffin – (then:) may strip off the sceptre of his judiciary, may be overturned the throne of his kingdom, and peace and quiet may flee from Byblos. And as for him, one should cancel his registration concerning the libation tube of the memorial sacrifice."



MUSEUM BEIRUT - NATIONAL MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone SIZE 216 x 104 cm

INFORMATION:

Montet 1928: 228-239 + pl. CXXVII-CXLI.

Frankfort 1954: 271 + fig. 317. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 344. Tawil 1970-1971: 32-36. Porada 1973: 355-372. Demisch 1977: 57. Metzger 1985: 267-269.

Gubel 1987: 37-38, 52-53, 73 + Pl. I, cat. 1. Frankfort 1989: 271-272 + figs. 317-318.

Herrmann 1989: 94 + fig. 2.

Vance 1994: 6-7. Schmitt 2001: 19. Rehm 2004.

Hakimian 2008: 49. Wicke 2008: Tafel 11c. Gilibert 2011b: 87.

(About death and the afterlife in Israel: Xella 1995: 2059-2070.)

CAT.NR. MES. 97 –

PAIR OF RECUMBENT SPHINXES WITH OFFERING MAN

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Israel/Phoenicia/Lebanon/Byblos

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd-1st Mill. BC/16th-4th c. BC/1550-300 BC **Phoenician**

DESCRIPTION:

A man is worshipping two monkeys; each monkey sits on a pillar that rests on a recumbent sphinx.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.

(About theology and worship: Van der Toorn 1995: 2043-2058.)

CAT.NR. MES. 98 – SEATED WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Israel/Levant/Lebanon/Byblos

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd-1st Mill. BC/16th-4th c. BC/1550-300 BC

Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Seated winged sphinx facing an offering table.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.

(About theology and worship: Van der Toorn 1995: 2043-2058.)



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LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1950,1017.6
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Chalcedony/Pierced, impressed

 $1.8 \times 1.4 \times 0.8 \text{ cm}$



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LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1940,0210.7
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Stone/Pierced, engraved
SIZE
1,7 x 1,4 x 2 cm



LOCATION AIN DĀRĀ MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 99 -AIN DĀRĀ SPHINX PROTOMES AND RELIEFS

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure + Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syria/Ain Dārā/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/11th c. BC

Neo-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

When the Temple in Ain Dārā got renovated in the 11th c. BC, more than 80 sphinx- and lion-reliefs were put beneath the older protomes (cf. Cat.Nr. Mes. 93). These sphinxes are the earliest known from Iron Age Northern Syria.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 80-81 + fig. 5.

CAT.NR. MES. 100 -TA'ANACH CULT STAND

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Israel FIND SPOT: Israel/Canaan

side of this register a griffin.

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th c. BC

Iron Age II

unknown. The back of the cult-stand is not decorated.



MUSEUM JERUSALEM – ISRAEL MUSEUM

MATERIAL/TECHNIOUE Terracotta SIZE

MUSEUM NUMBER

175 cm

Third register: two winged human-headed sphinxes flanking a void. Bottom register: A naked woman between two lions.

When this woman is identified as the mother goddess Asherah (Ishtar), then the bull in the top register could probably represent Baal.

DESCRIPTION: Four registers decorate this cult stand that was probably used for libations, although its exact function remains

At the top: a horse or bull with a sun-disc above its back. On each

Second register: a stylised tree flanked by two ibexes and two roaring

INFORMATION: Taylor 1994.

Marinatos 2000: 15-16.

Buchholz 2006: 143-144 + Abb. 19b.

(About theology and worship: Van der Toorn 1995: 2043-

2058.)

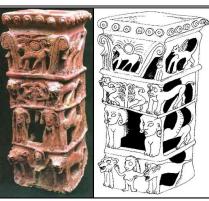


CAT.NR. MES. 101 -

BEAKER PAIR OF SPHINXES WITH ARYBALLOS

TYPE: Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Western Iran



MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze

SIZE

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC Iron Age II

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes one bearded, one female, gather around a waterflowing Aryballos. This flowing water symbolizes the 'live-giving' water.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 50 + fig. 116.

(Vase with streaming water: Black and Green 1992: 80-81.)



MUSEUM

BAGHDAD - IRAQ MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

6,5 x 14,4/13,1 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 102 -

PYXIS SPHINX DECORATING THRONE DECEASED WOMAN

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Tel Halaf FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC/ca. 900 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A woman, deceased, sits on a throne decorated with a winged sphinx behind a table laden with food; in front of her stands a man. The scene depicts a Death-meal. Two goddesses, one with four extended wings. together with a man leading a bull complete the scene.

INFORMATION:

Wicke 2008: Tafel 55. Gilibert 2011b: 87 + fig. 19.



CAT.NR. MES. 103 – PLATE FEMALE SPHINXES FLANKING TREE

TYPE: Pottery/Plate

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Tell Halaf FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)

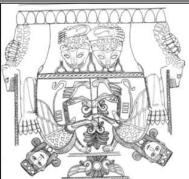
DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC/ca. 900 BC



Two female winged sphinxes are flanking a Sacred Tree and are surrounded by lions. This plate functioned in a ritualistic context.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 88 + fig. 20.



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BAGHDAD - IRAQ MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE **Ivory**

SIZE

7,6 x 15,9/12,6 cm



MUSEUM
BERLIN –
STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Basalt
SIZE
158 x 220 cm



TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syria/Tell Halaf/Palace

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC/ca. 900 BC

DESCRIPTION:

This female sphinx was one of a pair that stood next to the entrance to the Temple-Palace in Tell Halaf. In front of the sphinxes stood an altar, which suggests that there were offerings made to them. It suggests that sphinxes of this period played a role in cultic rituals.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 89 + fig. 22.



LOCATION
ALEPPO
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Size

CAT.NR. MES. 105 – MAN WITH SPHINX, SCORPION-MAN AND LION

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syria/Aleppo/Temple Weather-god

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC/ca. 900 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Circa 900 BC the Temple of the Weather-god in Aleppo was renovated and a whole series of reliefs was added. Right across the entrance was this relief, showing a religious procession; a shepherd-god (depicted here) stands not so far behind the Weather-god himself; before him a bearded male sphinx with a smaller lion as his companions. Before sphinx and lion stands a Scorpion-man. All of these (Shepherd-god, sphinx, lion and Scorpion-man) can be seen as companions of the Weather-god.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 83 + fig. 11.



CAT.NR. MES. 106 – GOD CONTROLS BULL-SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-7th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

Human bearded man with horned cap, thus identifiable as a god, holds a winged bearded bull-sphinx down. Behind the god stands Ishtar. A hero stands with one foot on the bull-sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Ritter 2011: fig. 8.



CAT.NR. MES. 107-

PAIR OF SPHINXES WITH LAKHMU AND GOD

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

DESCRIPTION:

On both sides of a baldachin a Lakhmu, a protective genius (who touches the baldachin), stands on a winged bearded bull-sphinx. Under the baldachin, a male god, standing on a bull, receives an offering of a male figure.

INFORMATION:

Collon 2001: Pl. XL nr. 277.

Ritter 2011: 72 + fig. 9.



CAT.NR. MES. 108 -

RELIEF WINGED SPHINX GRABBED BY BIRD-HEADED

DEMON

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

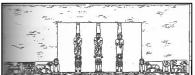
A winged bearded sphinx is attacked by a winged bird-headed demon.

The meaning of this motif is not clear

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 42, 62 + fig. 161.





BERLIN – TELL HALAF MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.Nr. Mes. 109 – PAIR OF SPHINXES FLANKING THREE GODS

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syria/Tell Halaf/ Palace/Hilani Façade

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of standing sphinxes flanking three gods, each standing on their sacred animal, decorate the façade of the Hilani Palace in Tell Halaf.

On the right stands the goddess Hebat on a lion, in the middle her husband, the Weather-god Teshub on a bull, on the right a third god, the Sun-god, again on a lion.

The sphinxes protect the palace and the gods at the same time.

INFORMATION:

Von Oppenheim 1932: 245-246. Von Oppenheim 1950: 54-62. Demisch 1977: 58 + fig. 145.



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BAGHDAD – IRAQ MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Stone (Red) SIZE 5,6 x 8,5 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 110 – PYXIS MAHMUDIYA

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Mahmudiya

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of winged sphinxes with a lion-protome on their breast flanks a deer; on the deer sits a bird. Two men sitting and eating at a table are probably deceased. The sphinxes are connected not only with the wild, but also with the ancestor cult.

INFORMATION:

Wicke 2008: 39b-c.

Gilibert 2011b: 86 + fig. 17.





PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Faience

SIZE

18,8 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 111 – BOX WINGED BEARDED SPHINX WITH HORNED CROWN

TYPE: Artefact/Box

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Susa/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Elamite

DESCRIPTION:

Winged bearded sphinx wearing a horned crown striding to the right. The rosette below the lion-body of the composite creature and the half- and quarter-rosettes (rosette is a known symbol of the sun) in the top of the picture are also on the other side of the box where a griffin is depicted in the same way.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 60 + fig. 151. Wicke 2008: Tafel 87a.



MUSEUM BAGHDAD - IRAQ MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 60553 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory SIZE

CAT.NR. MES. 112 – SEATED WINGED SPHINX WITH SEATED WOMAN

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Iraq/Nimrud/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A woman is seated at a table laden with food (offerings?); beneath her chair sits a winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Winter 1976a: 32, 34 + fig. 16.



CAT.NR. MES. 113 -HORSE BIT WITH PAIR OF WINGED HORNED SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Equestrian

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/West-Iran/Luristan FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/West-Iran/Luristan

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Iron Age II

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LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

1945,1015.4

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Copper Alloy/

Twisted, hammered

SIZE

18,5 x 16 x 12,5 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged horned sphinxes. These horse-amulets would have had the same apotropaic purpose as the winged lions and bulls at the entrance of palaces.

INFORMATION:

Gadd 1941: p. 58-59, pl. XXVb.

Moorey 1974: 47.

Demisch 1977: 52 + fig. 123.



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CHICAGO –
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MUSEUM NUMBER
ND13217
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
IVORY
SIZE
3,1 x 7,2 x 0.8 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 114 – OFFERING RECUMBENT WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent winged sphinx holding its human-hands in a gesture of worship or offering.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.

CAT.NR. MES. 115 – SEATED WINGED HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX WITH SUN-DISC

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC Neo-Assyrian



Top: Lion-head above a semi-circle;

Centre: Winged scarab beetle with falcon headdress;

Bottom: Winged, human-headed sphinx, sun-disc over headdress.

These scenes are separated by floral elements.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



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CHICAGO –
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MUSEUM NUMBER
IM65205
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
IVORY
SIZE
11,2 x 2,4 x 0,6 cm



CAT.NR. MES. 116 – OFFERING RECUMBENT WINGED FALCON-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged, falcon-headed sphinx lies facing to the left, its forepaws are shown as human arms with raised hands; the griffin wears a double crown over a head-cloth.

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MUSEUM NUMBER

ND13645

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

 $3 \times 3.4 \times 0.6 \text{ cm}$



Chicago Oriental Institute.

RELATED:

- Furniture Element with Worshipping Falcon-Headed Sphinx, ca. 800 BC, Neo-Assyrian, Ivory, Iraq, Nimrud, University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, 65-3-3 (ND 10313).

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CAT.NR. MES. 117 – OFFERING RECUMBENT FALCON-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

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MUSEUM NUMBER

ND9537

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory Size

6,2 x 2,8 x 0,4 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Head of a female (goddess) above a semi-circle (*Nebet*); below: front part of a falcon-headed (?) sphinx wearing a double crown over a head-cloth.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



CAT.NR. MES. 118 –

OFFERING RECUMBENT WINGED RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Northern Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

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CHICAGO -

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ND13219

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

4,5 x 7,6 x 0,8 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Winged Criosphinx lying down, its human arms are raised in an offering or worshipping gesture; the sphinx wears a crown over a head-cloth (*Nemes*).

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



PHILADELPHIA - PENN. MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

B14482

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Blue chalcedony

SIZE

2,7 x 1,45 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 119 – BEL-MARDUK HOLDING TWO SPHINXES

TYPE: Cylinder Seal Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Iraq

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC: 9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Two bearded winged sphinxes are being held by a four-winged Bel-

Marduk (Lord Marduk).

In the field there is a fish and a moon-crescent.

INFORMATION:

Sommerville 1898: no. 1377, pl. 33.

Vermeule 1956: pl. 19.

RELATED:

- Two Bearded Winged Sphinxes Flanking Bel-Marduk, Babylonian, Cylinder Seal Impression, Chalcedony, 2,1 x 1,2 cm, Iraq, Philadelphia, Penn. Museum, B5043. © Museum of University of Pennsylvania.

Miscellaneous



MUSEUM

PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

AO 30256

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory (hippopotamus)

SIZE

8,4 x 4,6 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 120 – FURNITURE ORNAMENT SEATED WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Levant FIND SPOT: Israel/Levant

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/17th-16th c. BC/ca. 1600 BC

Late Middle Bronze

DESCRIPTION:

The researchers of the Louvre Museum claim this sphinx conveys a message: it is a combination of royal character, of Syro-Mesopotamian strength (of a hero) and of Asian identity.

INFORMATION: Caubet 2000: t. 79.



MUSEUM

BOSTON -

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

65.1552

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

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SIZE

3,6 x 1,48 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 121 – SPHINX, MAN, GAZELLE AND OSTRICH

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-12th c. BC/1595-1157 BC **Babylonian/Kassite**

DESCRIPTION:

Twice the same elements: a standing male figure, an ostrich, a gazelle, a recumbent sphinx and a fly.

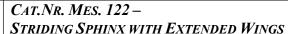
INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.



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BERLIN –
STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
MUSEUM NUMBER
VA 3257
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Agate SIZE 3 cm



TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

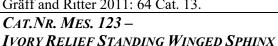
Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/14th-13th c. BC Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded and winged sphinx striding with its wings totally outstretched and its head with horned cap in frontal view.

INFORMATION:

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 212. Demisch 1977: 57, 60 + fig. 147. Gräff and Ritter 2011: 64 Cat. 13.



TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Israel/Megiddo

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd-1st Mill. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinx striding in a lotus flower-bed.

INFORMATION:

McDonald 1986: 160. Beach 1992: 130. Beach 1993: 95.



MUSEUM
JERUSALEM –
ROCKEFELLER MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory SIZE



CAT.NR. MES. 124 – RECUMBENT WINGED SPHINX SURROUNDED BY ANIMALS

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Asia (?)

FIND SPOT:

Date/Period: 2nd-1st Mill. BC/20th-7th c. BC/ca. 1900-600 BC **Assyrian** (?)

DESCRIPTION:

Different animals, including a lion, scorpion and bird, surround a recumbent winged sphinx.

LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

103290

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Chalcedony/Relief, engraved

SIZE

2,5 x 2 x 1,4 cm

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



MUSEUM
ALEPPO – NATIONAL MUSEUM

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory Size

MUSEUM NUMBER

7,9 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 125 – OPENWORK PLAQUE SEATED WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Northern Syria/Arslan Tash (Hadatu)

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/10th-7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A seated winged beardless sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Aleppo National Museum.



MUSEUM

NEW YORK -

METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

57.80.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

12,07 x 4,45 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 126 – OPENWORK PLAQUE WITH SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia, Syria, Arslan Tash (Hadatu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

An ivory plaque with the remains of a winged beardless sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin 1957: 67.

Wilkinson 1960: 262 + fig. 23.

Harden 1962: pl. 67. Winter 1976b: 8, pl. Iva.



NEW YORK -

METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

57,80,2

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

12,7 x 10,16 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 127 – OPENWORK PLAQUE WITH RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Arslan Tash (Hadatu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Ivory plaque with striding winged Ram-headed sphinx (Criosphinx).

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin 1957: 67.

Wilkinson 1960: 263 + fig. 24. Fontan 2014: 155 + fig. 3.50.



MUSEUM

NEW YORK -

METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

57.80.4a, b

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory, gold foil

SIZE

6,4 x 10,8 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 128 – OPENWORK PLAQUE WITH ONE RECUMBENT AND ONE SEATED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Arslan Tash (Hadatu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

The seated sphinx wears a cap; it is very different from the Egyptian-

style types.

(from the website) This ivory plaque may have come from the Neo-Assyrian building at the outpost of Arslan Tash in Syria. While the subject of the recumbent winged sphinx with wig, broad collar, and lotus flower under the front paw is an Egyptian convention, the facial type is Syrian in style—oval face, small mouth, and receding chin. Often in the Syrian style, single figures are shown in profile and juxtaposed in symmetrical compositions for large pieces of furniture. This is the case here with the two sphinxes, back to back, forming parts of two separate scenes, perhaps flanking trees with counterparts that are now missing.

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin 1957: 67.

Imay 1983: no. 17. Gansell 2008: 58.

Fontan 2014: 155-156 + fig. 3.51.



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1925,0613.4
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Lapis lazuli
SIZE
1,9 cm

CAT.NR. MES. 129 – SCARABOID SEATED WINGED SPHINX WITH TWO MEN

TYPE: Amulet/Scaraboid

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Levant/Lebanon/Byblos

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Four registers with 3 divisions in each; 8 of these contain figures and patterns in the Egyptian style; two birds, a star between sun and moon symbols, a sphinx between two men and confronting two birds.

INFORMATION: Markoe 2000: 155.

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NEW YORK – METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART MUSEUM NUMBER

26.7.121

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite

SIZE

 $1,4 \times 1,2 \times 0,5 \text{ cm}$



TYPE: Jewellery/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/el-Asasif/Tomb CC 47/Burial 13

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th c. BC/1550-1525 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn. (Early)

DESCRIPTION:

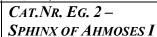
The base of this design amulet is inscribed with Ahmose I's praenomen, *Nebphetyre*. The winged sphinx symbolizes the king's power

The wings may refer to the identity of the sphinx as Horus-in-the-Horizon, a falcon-headed god merged with the sun.

INFORMATION:

Hayes 1959: 44.

(Horus-in-the-Horizon: Warmenbol 2006: 14-16; Zivie-Coche: 60, 63.)



TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Abydos

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/16th c. BC/1550-1525 BC New Kingdom/18th Dyn. (Early)

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx with lion-manes.

INFORMATION:

Pharaonen und Fremde 1994: 262 Kat.Nr 360.

Sfinx 2006: 222 Cat. 71.



MUSEUM

EDINBURGH – NATIONAL MUS. OF SCOTLAND MUSEUM NUMBER

A 1900.212.10

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

SIZE

71 x 38,2 x 49,5 cm



MUSEUM CAIRO – EGYPTIAN MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER CG 52642 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Lapis Lazuli/Gold/ Cornelian/Turquoise SIZE 11 cm

CAT.Nr. EG. 3 – Bracelet Queen Aahhotep

TYPE: Jewellery/Bracelet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Dra Abu Naga/Tomb Aahhotep

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th c. BC/1550-1525 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn. (Early)

DESCRIPTION:

This bracelet is decorated with two recumbent beardless sphinxes wearing the *Nemes*-headdress. The cartouche shows the name of pharaoh Ahmose I.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1304, 1309, 1312, 1318. Andrews 1990: 158 + fig. 140.





MUSEUM CAIRO – EGYPTIAN MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER JE 4673 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Wood/Copper/Gold/Semiprecious Stones SIZE 47,5 x 16,3 x 6,7 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 4 – AXE AHMOSES I

TYPE: Artefact/Ceremonial Weapon

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean (?)

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Abu Al Naga/Tomb Queen

Aahhotep

DATE/PERIOD:2nd Mill. BC/16th c. BC/ 1550-1525 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn. (early)

DESCRIPTION:

On one side this ceremonial axe is decorated with a recumbent sphinx with human hands offering, not a vessel, as is common in Egypt, but a human head, which makes Helck believe this artefact was ordered by the Egyptians in the Aegean. In the top register above the sphinx, the god *Heh* is depicted, holding a palm branch in each hand. The middle register shows the snake and vulture, representing Lower- and Upper-Egypt, sitting above papyrus-clumps.

The griffin on the other side sustains the theory of Helck, as it also is depicted in the Aegean style (Evans calls this Egypto-Minoan style). According to Roeder, this griffin represents the king. Next to the griffin is an inscription: "beloved of Monthu".

Above this scene is the royal cartouche and the pharaoh slaying an enemy.

Cf. 12.2. Axe Ahmoses I.

INFORMATION:

Steindorff 1900: abb. 12.

Roeder 1909: 1302, 1311, 1326, 1335.

Evans 1921: 550 + fig. 402. Evans 1935 a: 191 + fig. 147. Frankfort 1936/1937: 112.

Helck 1995: 48. Zouzoula 2007: 217.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 119-121 Cat. 67.

Wyatt 2009: 30.

Morgan 2010: 308, 317-318. Aruz 2015: 50 + fig. 21 A-B.

Matić 2015: 147-148. Cf. 9.2. Axe Ahmoses I



CAT.NR. EG. 5 -

SCARAB SEATED GRIFFIN TRAMPLING ENEMY

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

Horus merged with the sun.

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Upper Egypt/Thebes/el-Asasif

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-15th c. BC/1550-1458 BC New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

The scarab depicts a seated hawk-headed sphinx wearing a crown and

trampling an enemy. The falcon represents Ra-Harmachis, i.e. the god

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26.7.484

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite/Glazed SIZE

INFORMATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Roehrig, Dreyfus and Keller (eds). (2005).



MUSEUM

NEW YORK -METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART MUSEUM NUMBER

26.7.473

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Faience SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 6 -SCARAB WINGED SPHINXES WITH CAPTIVES

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-13th c. BC/ca. 1550-1295 BC New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged standing sphinxes, of which one wears the double crown of Egypt, stand above two captive enemies.

INFORMATION:

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.



MUSEUM
NEW YORK –
METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART
MUSEUM NUMBER
26.7.474
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Faience

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 7 – SCARAB RECUMBENT SPHINX

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-13th c. BC/ca. 1550-1295 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx with an elaborate headdress; above it a snake.

INFORMATION:

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.

RELATED:

- Scarab with Name Amenhotep I, 2nd Mill. BC, 16th-13th c. BC, New Kingdom, Amulet, Scarab, Steatite, 1,2 x 2,2 x 1,6 cm, Egypt, Paris, Musée du Louvre, AF 10046. Sfinx 2006: 222 Cat. 72.



MUSEUM
BODRUM – MUSEUM OF
UNDERWATER ARCHAEOLOGY
MUSEUM NUMBER
55.24.86 (KW468)
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze

SIZE 2,7 x 1,7 cm.

Cat. Nr. Eg. 8 – Sphinx Shaped Weight

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Uluburun Shipwreck

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/ca. 1300 BC **Late Bronze**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent human-headed beardless sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 369 Cat. 235a.

RELATED:

- Seal in Shape of Recumbent Sphinx, 2nd mill. BC, 16th-13th c. BC, ca. 1550-1295 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Stamp Seal, Faience, Egypt, Boston, Museum of Fine Arts, 12.637.
- Seal in Shape of Recumbent Sphinx, 2nd mill. BC, 16th-13th c. BC, ca. 1550-1295 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Seal, Faience, Egypt, New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art, 26.7.495.
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MUSEUM

LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1869,0129.14

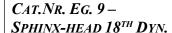
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Glass/

Tooled, Mold-made, incised

Size

3 cm



TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-13th c. BC/1539-1292 BC

New Kingdom /18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded head of a sphinx wearing the *Nemes* head-dress surmounted with a *Uraeus*. It probably falls into the reigns Amenhotep II to Thutmoses IV. The classical, idealizing style suggests Thutmoses IV.

INFORMATION:

Nicholson and Shaw 2000: 196.



CAT.NR. EG. 10 – SCARAB RECUMBENT SPHINX WITH NEBET-SIGN

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Nubia/Gammai/Tomb E 42

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1539-1075 BC

New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent sphinx with Nebet-sign below a cartouche.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

RELATED:

- Scarab with Recumbent Sphinx, 2nd Mill. BC, 16th-11th BC, New Kingdom, Amulet, Scarab, Faience, 3,5 cm, Egypt, Torino, Fondazione Museo delle Antichità Egizie.

Sfinx 2006: 231 Cat. 91.



SIZE



CAT.NR. EG. 11 – SCARAB WITH SEATED SPHINX

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1539-1075 BC

New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

Scarab with a decoration of a seated bearded sphinx.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 28 + fig. 52.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 12 – SCARAB WITH SEATED WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1539-1075 BC **New Kingdom**

DESCRIPTION:

Scarab decorated with a seated winged, bearded sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 28 + fig. 53.



CAT.NR. EG. 13 -

WINGED SPHINXES WITH SACRED TREE

TYPE: Artefact/Relief (on wooden shrine)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Medinet Gurob

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

MUSEUM NUMBER

Wood SIZE

MUSEUM

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1539-1075 BC **New Kingdom**

DESCRIPTION:

Decoration of a wooden shrine: a pair of standing winged sphinxes flanking a Sacred Tree. Not only the Sacred Tree is a Near-Eastern motif, the flower-bud in the neck of these sphinxes is an untypical element with Egyptian sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Kantor 1945: 495-498 + fig. XII.27. Demisch 1977: 21, 29-30 + fig. 61.



MUSEUM PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE MUSEUM NUMBER E 10897 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze SIZE 7,8 x 2,85 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 14 – ROYAL SPHINX THUTMOSES III

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent bearded sphinx depicting pharaoh Thutmoses III.

INFORMATION:

Hill and Schorsch 1997: 15, nr. 27.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

CAT.NR. EG. 15 – ROYAL SPHINX THUTMOSES III CAIRO

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

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Again, the basis type of sphinx: a recumbent lion-body with a humanhead with beard and *Nemes*-headdress.

INFORMATION: Schweitzer 1948: pl. X, 3.

Dubiel 2011: 5 + fig. 1.

SIZE

MUSEUM

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MUSEUM NEW YORK – METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART MUSEUM NUMBER 08.202.6 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Quartzite SIZE 34,6 x 11,4 x 23,3 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 16 – King Thutmoses III as a Sphinx

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Karnak (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent beardless sphinx wearing a *Nemes* headdress.

A short inscription running down the chest identifies the king as "the Good God Menkheperre, beloved of [Amun]". The name of the god Amun was erased later in the 18th Dyn. during the reign of Akhenaten, and was never restored.

INFORMATION:

Maspero 1906: 3, nr. 1.2. Roeder 1909: 1316.

Hayes 1959: 122-123 + fig. 63. *Sfinx* 2006: 94, 223-224.



TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Nubia/Sudan/Meroe

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx above a cartouche with the name of Thutmoses III. On the top of the seal is a rosette.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.





MUSEUM
BOSTON –
MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS
MUSEUM NUMBER
23.858
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Steatite
SIZE

1.6 cm



NEW YORK -METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

10.130.187

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite/Glazed

SIZE

1,1 x 0,8 cm



TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: the pharaoh as a striding bearded sphinx trampling an enemy; the throne name of Thutmoses III, Menkheperre, is in the cartouche at

Side B: a systrum, the emblem of the goddess Hathor, plus again the name Menkheperre.

INFORMATION:

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.

CAT.NR. EG. 19 -

SCARAB RECUMBENT **B**EARDED **SPHINX** WITH THUTMOSES III

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Representation of king and recumbent bearded sphinx with

praenomen and epithet of Thutmoses III.

INFORMATION:

Hall 1913: nr. 1057.

Sfinx 2006: 224 Cat. 75.

CAT.NR. EG. 20 -

PLAOUE STRIDING SPHINX TRAMPLING ENEMY

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 15^{th} c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Thutmoses III depicted as a bearded sphinx trampling an

enemy.

Side B: The pharaoh sitting on a throne beneath a winged disc.



MUSEUM LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

1849,0929.61

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite (green)/Glazed

SIZE

1,71 x 1,3 x 0,68 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER

30.8.564

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite/Glazed

SIZE

1,8 x 1,3 cm



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LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1857,0811.40

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold, Glass/Incised

SIZE

1,6 cm x 2,5 cm

INFORMATION:

Hayes 1959: 125 + fig. 66.

RELATED:

Plaque Striding Sphinx Amenhotep II Trampling Enemy, 2nd Mill. BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Artefact, Plaque, Steatite, 1,56 x 1,07 x 0,36 cm, Egypt, Cairo, Egyptian Museum, TD-7720 (126).

Pharaonen und Fremde 1994: 250 Cat.nr. 327.

CAT.NR. EG. 21 -

FINGER-RING STRIDING SPHINX TRAMPLING ENEMY

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 15^{th} c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Thutmoses III in the form of a sphinx wearing an 'Atef' crown tramples an enemy.

tramples an enemy

The hieroglyphic text reads "*The Good God Menkheperre* (the throne name of Thutmoses which he assumed at his accession), *who tramples every foreign land*".

Side B: Another of the king's official names.

INFORMATION:

Andrews 1990: 164 + fig. 146 a.

Sfinx 2006: 28, 217 Cat. 59.

RELATED:

- *Finger-Ring Thutmoses III*, 2nd Mill. BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Jewellery, Ring, Gold and blue glass, 1,5 cm (bezel), Egypt, London, British Museum, EA 14349.

Ziegler 2002: 407 Cat. 52.

- Finger-Ring Striding Sphinx Trampling Enemy, 2nd Mil. BC, Reign of Thutmoses IV or Amenhotep III, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Jewellery, Ring, Gold and glazed composition, 1,7 cm, Egypt, London, British Museum, EA 4159.

Ziegler 2002: 407 Cat 51.





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MUSEUM NUMBER
26.7.179
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Carnelian
SIZE
1,5 x 1 cm

CAT.Nr. EG. 22 – PLAQUE STRIDING SPHINX TRAMPLING ENEMY

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: King Thutmoses III is shown as a bearded sphinx trampling a

bearded Asian enemy.

Side B: Thutmoses III in a chariot on a lion-hunt.

INFORMATION:

Hayes1959: 125 + fig. 66.



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MUSEUM NUMBER
62.810
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Gold, Steatite
SIZE

1,7 x 1,8 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 23 – FINGER-RING RECUMBENT SPHINX

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx wearing the *Khepresh* (= Blue Crown). The ceremonial Blue Crown dates from the early New Kingdom and must

be seen as a symbol of legitimate succession.

Reverse: a scarab-beetle

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts

(Blue Crown: Siliotti 1994: 281; Leprohon 1995: 275)



MUSEUM NEW YORK -METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART MUSEUM NUMBER 31.3.94 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone SIZE

106,7 x 33 x 63,5 cm



TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Deir el-Bahri/Senenmut Quarry

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1473-1458 BC New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Hatshepsut as a recumbent bearded sphinx with lion-manes and -ears. A more complete companion piece is in Cairo (Cat.Nr. Eg. 25). The two small limestone sphinxes may have been on either side of the entrance to the upper terrace of Hatshepsut's temple at Deir el-Bahri.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 24, 34 + fig. 41.

Lesko 1991: 11. Dubiel 2011: 15.



CAT.NR. EG. 25 -

RECUMBENT BEARDED SPHINX HATSHEPSUT DEIR EL-Bahri

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Deir el-Bahri/Senenmut Quarry

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1473-1458 BC New Kingdom/18th Dyn.



MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

Hatshepsut as a recumbent bearded sphinx with lion-manes and -ears.

The twin of the Recumbent Bearded Sphinx Hatshepsut in New York (Cat.Nr. Eg. 24). The two small limestone sphinxes may have been on either side of the entrance to the upper terrace of Hatshepsut's temple at Deir el-Bahri.

INFORMATION:

Winlock 1928.

Winlock 1932: 337 + fig. 9. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 241. Cabrol 2001: 305-309. Warmenbol 2006: 22.



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BERLIN –
STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
MUSEUM NUMBER
2299
MATERIAL/TECHNIOUE

283 x 79,5 x 130 cm

Granite

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 26 – RECUMBENT BEARDED SPHINX HATSHEPSUT

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Deir el-Bahri/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1473-1458 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Hatshepsut depicted as a recumbent bearded sphinx.

The inscription says: "The King of Upper- and Lower-Egypt Makarê, loved by Amon-Re, first of Deir el-Bahri, who lives eternally".

INFORMATION: Roeder 1909: 1316. Winlock 1928. Winlock 1930: 4-5, 8.

Scharff 1931: 28-32 + fig. 1-3. Hayes 1959: 91-93 + fig. 51. Sourouzian 2006: 107, 110.

Cabrol 2011: 309-313.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 8.49.



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CAIRO – EGYPTIAN MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
JE 53113 (?)
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 27 – RECUMBENT BEARDED SPHINX HATSHEPSUT

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/15 th c. BC/1473-1458 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Hatshepsut as a recumbent bearded sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Cairo Egyptian Museum.



CAT.NR. $E\overline{G}$. $\overline{28}$ –

RECUMBENT BEARDED SPHINX HATSHEPSUT

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Deir el-Bahri/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1473-1458 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

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MUSEUM NUMBER

31.3.166

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Granite (red)

SIZE

343 x 164 cm

Hatshepsut depicted as a recumbent bearded sphinx wearing the royal

This was one of six royal sphinxes that lined the processional way leading to the queen's mortuary temple at Deir el-Bahri.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1310.

Winlock 1928.

Winlock 1935.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.42.

CAT.NR. EG. 29 -

SPHINX OF HATSHEPSUT

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt (?)

FIND SPOT: Rome/Iseo Campense/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1473-1458 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Granite (black)

41 x 80 cm

DESCRIPTION:

One of the few sphinxes wearing a female wig, with so-called Hathorcurls. On the hair lies a head-cover that seems to be made of feathers of a vulture; this is a headdress that used to be worn by gods and queens. The inscription records the offering of Thutmoses III whose sister Hatshepsut was regent for him.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1319.

Lythgoe and Davis 1926: 12-13 + fig. 9.

Scharff 1931: 32.

Dubiel 2011: 33-34 Cat. 6.

RELATED:

Female Sphinx with Hathor-curls (Wife of Thutmoses III), 2nd Mill. BC, 15th c. BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Figure,

Preys 2006: 140, 142.



CAT.NR. EG. 30 -STRIDING SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Deir el-Bahri (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A striding sphinx, surrounded by emblems of its power: ceremonial beard, Nemes-headdress, crown, solar disk, double Uraeus, lotus and papyrus (symbols of resp. Lower- and Upper Egypt). The eye and the vulture-goddess Nekhbet both protect the king and his power.



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THE FITZWILLIAM MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

E.1.1992

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

SIZE

27 x 26 x 3 cm

The name is deliberately destroyed, but could have been Hatshepsut, as a similar relief has been found in her temple in Deir el-Bahri.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 212-214 Cat. 58.



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METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

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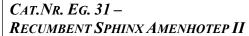
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Sandstone

SIZE

19 x 7,5 x 10 cm



TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/possibly Thebes

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1427-1400 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent sphinx (no beard!) depicting Amenhotep II

INFORMATION:

Lansing 1931: 6 + fig. 6.

Hayes 1959: 142-143 + fig. 78.

Sfinx 2006: 224-225 Cat. 77.



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LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1900,0409.102

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite/Glazed

SIZE

0,43 x 1,77 x 1,27 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 32 – PLAQUE STRIDING SPHINX WEARING DOUBLE-CROWN.

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1427-1400 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Praenomen of Amenhotep II and a representation of a striding

sphinx wearing the double crown and holding a sceptre.

Side B: Praenomen of Amenhotep II and an epithet comprising the name of Amen and a large goose with Uraeus protruding from the

feet.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

TYPE: Architectural Element/Stele/Relief

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC

CAT.NR. EG. 33 –



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



DESCRIPTION:

FIND SPOT: Egypt

A bearded winged sphinx wearing an elaborate Atef-crown (four Uraei, feathers, ram-horns, bull-horns and Sun-disc) lies on a piedde-stall; in front of it stands a male figure (king?) paying tribute. Above the sphinx flies a bird.

RELIEF RECUMBENT WINGED SPHINX WITH ATEF-CROWN

This is a typical Egyptian sphinx with wings folded unto its body.

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 21, 33-34 + fig. 72.

CAT.NR. EG. 34-

PLAQUE RECUMBENT SPHINX WITH BIRD

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1400-1390 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Recumbent bearded sphinx with a bird hovering above its

body. In front of it an ankh-sign.

Side B: Name of Thutmoses IV with a goose.

INFORMATION:

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.

CAT.NR. EG. 35 -

ARM PANEL STRIDING SPHINX TRAMPLING ENEMIES

TYPE: Artefact/Furniture

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Valley of the Kings/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/ca. 1400-1390 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Arm panel from a ceremonial chair belonging to Thutmoses IV and found in his tomb in the Valley of the Kings. (the second panel is now in the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, cf. Related).

Side A: Thutmoses IV, depicted as a sphinx, tramples his enemies.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

10.130.207

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite/Glazed

SIZE

1,4 x 1,1 x 0,4 cm



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METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

30.8.45a-c

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Wood

SIZE

25,1 cm

The text probably read: "Lord of the Two Lands, Menkheperura, son of Re, Thutmoses, [given] life like Re."

The falcon represents "the Behedite [Horus], the great god, giving life and dominion".

The text above the sphinx's back reads: "Horus, the lord of might and action, trampling all foreign lands".

The ostrich feather-fan represents the "breath of life" and indicates that the sphinx is alive.

Side B: Here is shown "the young god, Menkheperura" enthroned, wearing the red crown of Lower Egypt. In front of him is the lionheaded goddess Weret, whose name is written above her head. Behind the king is the ibis-headed god "Thoth, Lord of Hermopolis, giving all life and dominion." Thoth says, "I have brought you millions of years of life and dominion united with eternity." Behind the throne is the phrase "All life and dominion around him [like] Re".

INFORMATION:

Carter and Newberry 1904: 20-22 + Pl. VI-VII.

Roeder 1909: 1311-1312, 1322.

Lansing 1931: 5 + fig. 3. Hayes 1959: 153, fig. 84.

Sliwa 1974: fig. 9. Robins 1997: 136.

Warmenbol 2006: 17 + afb. 5.

Dubiel 2011: 13-14.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.46.

RELATED:

Arm Panel Striding Sphinx Trampling Enemies, 14th c. BC, ca. 1400-1390 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Furniture, Wood, 22.5 x 29 cm, Egypt, Thebes, Valley of the Kings, Tomb Thutmoses IV, Boston, Museum of Fine Arts, 03.1131.

Carter and Newberry 1904: 20-22 + Pl. VI-VII.

Roeder 1909: 1311-1312, 1322.

Śliwa 1974: 106, fig. 9.

Dubiel 2011: 13-14.

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Thutmoses IV as Trampling Sphinx, 14th c. BC, 1400-1390 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Artefact, Chariot, Egypt. Carter and Newberry 1904: 26-33 + Pl. XII.

Roeder 1909: 1311-1312.

Schweitzer 1948: 62 + Table XV, 5.





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MUSEUM NUMBER

1912,1012.6

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Steatite/Pierced, engraved

SIZE

1,5 x 1,1 x 4,5 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 36 – PLAQUE RECUMBENT SPHINX AND IBEX

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Israel/Gezer

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1400-1390 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Recumbent sphinx wearing the Blue-crown and a cartouche

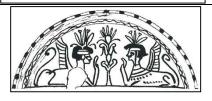
mentioning the name of Thutmoses IV.

Side B: A recumbent ibex.

INFORMATION:

Hall 1913: 303, nr. 2879. Giveon 1985: 126, nr. 48.

(Blue Crown: Siliotti 1994: 281; Leprohon 1995: 275)



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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 37-

WINGED FEMALE SPHINXES WITH SACRED TREE

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Two recumbent female sphinxes with floral headdress hold their humanarms in a worshipping gesture towards a Sacred Tree.

This type of sphinx was only popular in Egypt for a very short period

and was highly influenced by other cultures.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 21, 26 + fig. 49. Liebowitz 1987: 7 + fig. 7.



MUSEUM
NEW YORK —
METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART
MUSEUM NUMBER
26.7.1342
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Sardonyx
SIZE

4,2 x 6,5 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 38 – WINGED FEMALE SPHINX WITH CARTOUCHE

TYPE: Jewellery/Plaque from Bracelet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1390-1352 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Representation of a winged female sphinx whose human hands present a cartouche with the praenomen of Amenhotep III Neb-Maat-Re. This sphinx is often identified as Queen Tiye. But it is also possible that the creature represents a mythic being of a more general nature. Wings, headdress and jewellery point to close connections with foreign lands (e.g. Nubia, Asia).

INFORMATION:

Hayes 1959: 242-243 + fig. 147 (bottom).

Demisch 1977: 21, 26 + fig. 47. Liebowitz 1987: 7 + fig. 4. Ziegler 2002: 245, fig. 12. *Sfinx* 2006: 34, 290-291 Cat. 177.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 144-145 Cat. 84.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.55.



MUSEUM
NEW YORK –
METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART
MUSEUM NUMBER
10.130.1556
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Clay
SIZE

4,4 x 3,3 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 39 – SEAL SPHINX TRAMPLING ENEMY

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Meru-Aten

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1353-1336 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This clay sealing may have served as an official seal. The impression has the throne name of Tutankhamen, Nebkheperure, in the cartouche at the left. The king is represented as a sphinx trampling an enemy.

INFORMATION:

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.



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MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

1989.104

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

SIZE

22,5 x 51,5 x 5,3 cm



ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Textile

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 40 -

TALATAT TWO SPHINXES ON BOATS TRAMPLING ENEMIES

TYPE: Architectural Element

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt/el-Amarna

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Hermopolis

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1353-1336 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Two towboats, each carrying a kiosk that contains a sphinx trampling

Dating from the reign of Akhenaton.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1311.

CAT.NR. EG. 41 -

WINGED FEMALE SPHINXES WITH SACRED TREE

TYPE: Artefact/Textile

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/ca. 1330 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Two recumbent winged female sphinxes with elaborate floral headdress worshipping a Sacred Tree, a symbol of Near-Eastern origin. They are embroidered on a tunic that belonged to Tutankhamen.

INFORMATION:

Crowfoot and Davis 1941.

Kantor 1945: 488-494 + fig. XII.16.

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 275. Demisch 1977: 21, 26 + fig. 50.

Dubiel 2011: 18 + fig. 22.

Pfälzner 2015: 193 + figs. 15-16.

CAT.NR. EG. 42 -

PAIR OF SPHINXES TRAMPLING ENEMIES

TYPE: Artefact/Throne

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/ca. 1330 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of sphinxes each trampling an enemy. In between the sphinxes

Tutankhamen's name.



CAIRO -

ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Wood Size The sphinxes wear an elaborate headdress, consisting of *Uraei*, feathers, a pair of ram-horns, a pair of bull-horns and a sun-disc.

The motif of sphinxes trampling an enemy was a part of the pictorial triumph-scenes of the victorious pharaoh.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 21, 30-33 + fig. 66.

Baum-vom Felde 2006: 163.

Dubiel 2011: 13-14 + fig. 16.



CAT.NR. EG. 43 -

WINGED FEMALE SPHINX WITH QUEENS NAME

TYPE: Artefact/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/ca. 1310 BC

New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

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TURIN - MUSEO EGIZIO

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

A winged female sphinx, wearing a crown decorated with flowers and a necklace with a rosette-medallion holds its human hands up in a gesture of worship before a cartouche with a queen's name. It is depicted on a sculpture of Haremhab and his wife queen Mudnetjemet (on the side of the queen).

It is thought that this female sphinx doesn't represent the pharaoh or even a queen, but that it depicts in this case Syrian women worshipping the Egyptian king Haremhab.

INFORMATION:

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 272.

Demisch 1977: 21, 26 + fig. 48.

Liebowitz 1987: 7 + fig. 6.

Dubiel 2011: 18-19 + fig. 23-24.

Warmenbol 2006: 23.

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 100 + fig. 5.



CAT.NR. EG. 44 -

FINGER-RING RECUMBENT SPHINX WITH BLUE CROWN

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt



DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC (?)/ca. 1250 BC (?)

New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Recumbent sphinx wearing the so-called Blue Crown known as 'Khepresh'. Behind the sphinx a cobra, giving its protection to the ruler; there is a *Uraeus* on the royal brow. In front of the sphinx the hieroglyph 'ankh', expressing the wish, commonly in royal inscriptions, for life for the king.

LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1840,1215.33

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold, glazed composition/ Pierced, incised, glazed

SIZE

2,59 x 1,75 x 1,19 cm

Side B: A goose together with the name of the god Amun, and with the hieroglyph 'nefer', "perfection." The goose is a symbol of Amun, but as a hieroglyph it also means "son", and so the whole inscription may be interpreted as a wish for "perfection for the son of Amun."

INFORMATION:

Andrews 1990: 164 + fig. 146 b.

Ziegler 2002: 407, nr. 52.

(ankh: Siliotti 1994: 281; Hornung 1995: 1714-1715, 1723;

Leprohon 1995: 276.)

(Blue Crown: Siliotti 1994: 281; Leprohon 1995: 275)

CAT.NR. EG. 45 -

WINDOW OF APPEARANCE

TYPE: Artefact/Architectural Element

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Memphis/Palace of Merenptah

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 13^{th} c. BC/1298-1187 BC

New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This open-work window from the Palace of Merenptah in Memphis, is made out of limestone, instead of wood, as was more common. The decoration reflects the role of the monarch. The arch shows the pharaoh twice as seated sphinx flanking papyrus. Both sphinxes wear a *khat* headdress, topped with a *Uraeus* and a false beard. The register beneath shows *djed*-pillars

INFORMATION:

Ziegler 2002: 284 fig. 19, 433 Cat. 113.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: figs. 868-869.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

E. 13564

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

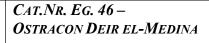
SIZE

128 x 79 cm



MUSEUM BERLIN – STAATLICHEN MUSEEN MUSEUM NUMBER 21434 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone SIZE

18 x 20 cm



TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Deir el-Medina

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/13th-12th c. BC **New Kingdom**/19th-20th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A king, wearing a Blue Crown, is carried in a chair decorated with a striding sphinx and a lion.

INFORMATION:

Ziegler 2002: 106 fig. 11, 437 Cat. 121. *Sfinx* 2006: 114, 186-187 Cat. 12.

(Blue Crown: Siliotti 1994: 281; Leprohon 1995: 275)



LOCATION MEDINET HABU MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Mural Painting SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 47 –

STANDING BEARDED SPHINX DECORATING THRONE

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Medinet Habu

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/12th c. BC **New Kingdom**/20th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A standing bearded sphinx decorates the throne of pharaoh Ramses III. The standing sphinx has a guarding function here. This refers to the god- or cult-like worth of the enthroned person.

INFORMATION: Roeder 1909: 1313.

Demisch 1977: 28 + fig. 58.

Metzger 1985: 78, Tafel 39, fig. 271.



MUSEUM VIENNA -**KUNSTHISTORISCHES MUSEUM** MUSEUM NUMBER 52 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Granite SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 48 – SPHINX OF OSORKON I

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Unknown

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC/ca. 922-ca. 887 BC New Kingdom/22nd Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx with Nemes topped with Uraeus.

INFORMATION:

Mysliwiec 1988: Pl. XVIIb, Pl. XVIIIa-c.



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LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1867,0809.14

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite/Glazed, engraved

1,7 x 1,3 x 7 cm

CAT.NR. $E\overline{G.49}$ – SCARAB SEATED BEARDED SPHINX

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/16^{th}$ - 11^{th} c. BC (?) 1^{st} Mill. $BC/7^{th}$ - 6^{th} c. BC/685-525 BC (?)

New Kingdom (?) Late Period/26th Dyn. (?)

DESCRIPTION:

Bearded sphinx seated on a Nebet-sign, a faint sign of a Uraeus on its forehead. Above, an oval sign, perhaps the sun disc or the moon crescent.

INFORMATION:

Giveon 1985: 180, nr. 13.

Religious



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LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1913,0501.1
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Steatite/Glazed
SIZE

1,12 x 2,83 x 2,01 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 50 – SCARAB PAIR OF SPHINXES FLANKING HAWK

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/17th-16th c. BC/1630-1539 BC **Second Intermediate**/Hyksos

DESCRIPTION:

Scarab with two seated winged sphinxes flanking a seated hawk, a reference to Horus; above this scene there is a flying hawk.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.

CAT.NR. EG. 51 – Stele of Regal Cult Amenhotep I

TYPE: Architectural Element/Stele/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Deir el-Medina

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th c. BC/1526-1506 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

MUSEUM

TURIN - MUSEO EGIZIO

MUSEUM NUMBER

CGT 50049

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

SIZE

29 x 18 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Amenhotep I, seated on a stool and protected by a winged divinity, is flanked by a striding sphinx standing on a lion. The king is worshipped by a priest (Atumnakht).

The inscription is a praise to Amenhotep I and to Thutmoses IV: "Give praise to the Lord of the Two Lands Amenhotep who is life; to Menkheperura, great living god, who loves the truth. He saves whoever prays to you [= him], gives the breath of life to whom he loves. Whoever enters your home with an afflicted heart goes out joyful and jubilating. He comes to you greatly because your name sounds out loud. He who puts his trust in you is joyful, trouble for whoever assail you, to put a crocodile in front of a [...] a ferocious lion, you will extend your hand against the den in which lies a great serpent and will see the glory of Amenhotep, who is life, while he accomplishes a prodigy for your city."

INFORMATION:

Ziegler 2002: 146 fig. 2, 410 Cat.Nr. 59.





LOCATION THEBES/TT100 MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

CAT.NR. EG. 52 –

REKHMIRE AND HIS WIFE BEFORE TWO SPHINXES

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Tomb of Rekhmire (TT100)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-13th c. BC New Kingdom/18th Dynasty

DESCRIPTION:

In the tomb of Vizier Rekhmire, an official of the 18th Dyn., on the north half of the east wall, the deceased is shown sitting next to his wife before two recumbent sphinxes. Both sphinxes wear the Nemesheaddress, topped with a *Uraeus*.

In fact, behind these two male sphinxes there is one smaller recumbent sphinx, albeit female this time (Hathor-curls).

The scene shows the vizier overlooking the providing of the temple with food and furniture.

INFORMATION:

De Garis Davies 1953: Vol. I: 37 ff.; Vol. II: Plate XXXVII (bottom)

RELATED:

Sphinxes in Tomb 13, Mural, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Thebes, Abd el-Qurna, Kummeh Temple, Tomb 13. © The New York Public Library – Digital Collections.

CAT.NR. EG. 53 -

THE MAKING OF A SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Tomb of Rekhmire (TT100)

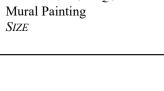
DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-13th c. BC New Kingdom/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

In the tomb of Rekhmire, it is shown that making a sphinx-statue is as important as making statues of the king.

INFORMATION:

Osiris.net.







LOCATION THEBES/TT100 MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE **Mural Painting** SIZE



BOSTON-

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

27.787

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

SIZE

12,7 x 9,1 x 2,2 cm



MUSEUM

BOSTON -

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

67.1088

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Faience (blue-green)

SIZE

1,5 x 1,3 x 0,8 cm



MUSEUM

LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

BM 10.010

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 54 – EAR-STELE WITH RECUMBENT SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Stele/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Giza/Cemetery

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/16^{th}$ - 11^{th} c. BC/1539-1075 BC

New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx represents the Great Recumbent Sphinx of Giza (St.M. Nr. Eg. 1) who is supposed to listen to the prayers of

the Egyptians (cf. ear at the top of the stele).

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

(More information about the Egyptian Ear-Steles: Schlichting

1982).

CAT.NR. EG. 55 -

SCARAB RECUMBENT BEARDED SPHINX

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1539-1075 BC

New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent bearded sphinx wearing a very extended crown with Uraeus and with the goddess Maat between its front paws. Above the

back of the sphinx there is a falcon.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

CAT.NR. EG. 56 -

VIGNETTE BOOK OF THE DEAD

TYPE: Artefact/Book of the Dead/Vignette

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1539-1075 BC

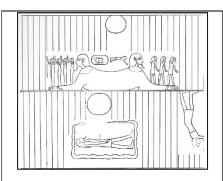
New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

In this death scene, there are two bearded sphinxes, one lying on a table like the deceased, another one striding beneath the bull.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: fig. 62.



LOCATION

THEBES

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 57 – AKER DOUBLE-SPHINX ROYAL TOMB

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt/Thebes FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Tomb

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1479-1425 BC

New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

Two registers in this mural painting found in a tomb:

Top: a recumbent double-sphinx (one body, two human-heads). On one side there are three males, on the other side of the sphinx there are

four worshipping females.

Bottom: The dead body of Osiris. Above each scene hovers a sun-disc.

INFORMATION:

Hornung 1975a: 114-115. Demisch 1977: 234 + fig. 610.

(Aker: Wiedemann 1890: 103; Kristensen 1917: 109-120;

Wilkinson 1996: 135; Warmenbol 2006: 15.)

RELATED:

- Aker in Tomb of Thutmoses III, 2nd Mill. BC, 15th c. BC, 1479-1425 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Architectural Element, Mural Painting, Egypt, Thebe, Tomb Thutmoses III (KV 34).

Warmenbol 2006: 16.



MUSEUM

BRUSSELS – KONINKLIJKE MUSEA VOOR KUNST EN GESCHIEDENIS

MUSEUM NUMBER

E 5016

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

SIZE

19,6 x 25,3 x 4,5 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 58 – OFFERING SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt/Deir el-Bahri

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Deir el-Bahri

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

An image of a victorious king depicted as a human-headed sphinx who offers a *Nemset*-jug to the god.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 30, 222-223 Cat. 73.



LOCATION
MEMPHIS
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Alabaster
SIZE
800 x 400 cm

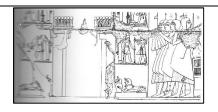


MUSEUM London – British Museum Museum Number

14

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Sandstone/Incised SIZE

118 cm



LOCATION
LUXOR
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 59 – FIGURE RECUMBENT BEARDED SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Memphis/Temple of Ptah

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/1427-1400 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx, probably from the time of pharaoh Amenhotep II stood before the Temple of Ptah in Memphis.

INFORMATION:

Siliotti 1994: 142-143. De Putter 2006: 87-88.

CAT.NR. EG. 60 – FIGURE RAM-HEAD OF SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Karnak/Temple of Mut

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th-14th c. BC/ca. 1400 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Head of a colossal statue of a ram-headed sphinx (Criosphinx). (The ram-headed sphinx may originally have been in the temple of Mut and was moved to this location by Panedjem I).

INFORMATION:

Cahiers de Karnak 10, 1995: 43 nr. 42.

Cabrol 2001: 244-245.

CAT.NR. EG. 61 -

OFFERING SPHINXES TEMPLE

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Luxor/Temple

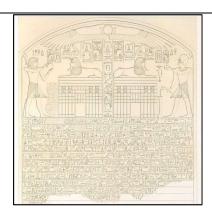
Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

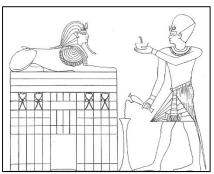
DESCRIPTION:

An offering recumbent sphinx with *Nemes* and *Uraeus* holding a *Nemset*-vase on each side of the entrance to a Karnak temple.

INFORMATION:

Kristensen 1917: 122. Dubiel 2011: 11 + fig. 12.





LOCATION
GIZA
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Pink Granite/Relief SIZE 361 x 218 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 62 – DREAM STELE THUTMOSES IV

TYPE: Architectural Element/Stele/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Giza

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1400-1390 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Two bearded sphinxes lying back to back; in front of each of them the figure of Thutmoses IV paying tribute. Above the scene are hieroglyphs with a winged sun-disc on top. The sphinxes wear the *Nemes*-headdress decorated with a *Uraeus*. On the right the king wears the Blue Crown and offers a fluid with one hand while he holds a plate with burning incense in the other. On the left side, he wears the *Nemes*-headdress and offers water in a *Nemset*-vase. The inscriptions identify the protagonists of the scene: Thutmoses IV, king of Upper and Lower Egypt and Harmachis, the Sun-God, that is, the sphinx of Giza.

Legend says that Thutmoses IV once had a dream wherein the Great Sphinx of Giza told him that when he would free the monument from the sand, the sphinx would make sure that he would become king.

The relation between the Great Recumbent Sphinx of Giza (St.M. Nr. Eg. 1) and the Sun-god is explained on this stele. In the Egyptian royal ideology, the Sun-god is the father of the next Pharaoh. The stele is the legitimation of the kingship of Thutmoses IV.

Thutmoses' IV father, Amenhotep II, had been in Giza too and had a temple built there in honour of the Great Sphinx. He also built a stele that combines his visit to Giza with his sporting abilities.

INFORMATION:

Wiedemann 1890: 104. Budge 1893: 14, 33-34. Unger 1928: 338-339.

Piankoff 1932. Suhr 1970: 99-100. Lurker 1974: 114-116. Coche-Zivie 1977: 607. Demisch 1977: 19 + fig. 28.

Wilkinson 1996: 135.

Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 1. Baum-vom Felde 2006: 168-170. *Sfinx* 2006: 70-71, 180 Cat. 1. Stadelmann 2006: 38-39.

Warmenbol 2006: 16. Zivie-Coche 2006: 58, 60.

Dubiel 2011: 10, 26 + fig. 9 + Cat. 1.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: 154, 157.

(Blue Crown: Siliotti 1994: 281; Leprohon 1995: 275)

RELATED:

- *Stele of Benermerut*, 2nd Mill. BC, 15th c. BC, New Kingdom, Architectural Element, Relief, Egypt, Giza, Paris, Musée du Louvre, C 273.

Sfinx 2006: 54.

 Stele of Hatiay, 2nd Mill. BC, 14th c. BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Architectural Element, Relief, Egypt, Cairo, Egyptian Museum, JE 72269.

Zivie-Coche 2006: 58, 60.

Stele of Yoeyoe, 2nd Mill. BC, 13th c. BC, New Kingdom, 19th Dyn., Architectural Element, Relief, Egypt, Cairo, Egyptian Museum, JE 72270.
 Zivie-Coche 2006: 59-60.

- *Stele of Inhermes*, Architectural Element, Relief, Egypt, Cairo, Egyptian Museum, JE 72260. Zivie-Coche 2006: 60.

- *Stele of Maâ*, Architectural Element, Relief, Egypt, Cairo, Egyptian Museum, JE 72277.

Zivie-Coche 2006: 62.

CAT.NR. EG. 63 -

RECUMBENT OFFERING SPHINX AMENHOTEP III

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Karnak (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/ca. 1390-1352 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent sphinx of Amenhotep III, possibly from a Model of a Temple, with human hands and arms. In each hand a vase for offering.

INFORMATION:

Lilyquist 1965: 74.

Ziegler 2002: 144 fig. 1, 406 Cat. 49.

Warmenbol 2006: 21-22.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.48.

RELATED:

Amenhotep III as Offering Sphinx, 2nd Mill. BC, 14th c. BC,
 ca. 1390-1352 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Figure, Egypt,
 Croatia, Spalato.

Schweitzer 1948: Tafel XV, 2.

CAT.NR. EG. 64 –

QUEEN TIYE AS TRAMPLING SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Tomb of Cherueb (TT 192)

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

In the private tomb of Cherueb queen Tiye, wife of Amenhotep III, is depicted as a sphinx trampling foreign enemies.



MUSEUM

NEW YORK – METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

1972.125

MATERIAL/TECHNIOUE

Faience/Glazed

SIZE

25,1 x 13,3 x 7 cm



LOCATION

THEBES (TT 192)

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

INFORMATION: Schmitz 1986: 306.

Dubiel 2011: 17 + fig. 21.





LOCATION
SEDEINGA
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Carved SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 65 – PAIR OF STRIDING SPHINXES QUEEN TIYE

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Sudan/Sedeinga/Temple

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1390-1352 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Two striding female sphinxes wearing a crown are represented in relief on the façade of a temple, together with some Hathor-heads and some vases.

Sphinxes in connection with a Hathor-head are also found on Syrian seals from about 100 years earlier.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1303, 1311-1312, 1320.

Unger 1928: 338.

Dessenne 1957a: 186 + fig. 268.

Hayes 1959: 243.

CAT.NR. EG. 66 -

Demisch 1977: 29 + fig. 60. Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 3.



MUSEUM

PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

E 11041

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Wood *SIZE* 3,5 x 13,5

TOILET BOX WITH WINGED SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact/Toilet Box

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Medinet el-Gurab

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Date/period: } 2^{nd} \text{ Mill. } BC/14^{th} \text{ c. } BC \\ \textbf{New Kingdom}/18^{th} \text{ Dyn.} \end{array}$

DESCRIPTION:

This toilet box, with a shape common for the 18th Dyn., is beautifully decorated with two winged sphinxes, wearing a *Nemes*-headdress, two Hathor-heads, and flowers that clearly represent the Sacred Tree, a common Near Eastern theme. The wings of the sphinxes also refer to the Near Eastern imagery. The function of objects like these is not really known, but it is assumed they were meant for ointments or perfume.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 291 Cat. 178.



MUSEUM
CAIRO – EGYPTIAN MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
JE 37485
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Quartz or Gneiss
SIZE
33 x 53 cm



MUSEUM
BOSTON –
MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS
MUSEUM NUMBER
64.1944

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone SIZE

51 x 105,5 x 5,2 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 67 – SPHINX ATTRIBUTED TO AKHENATON

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Karnak/Temple of Amun

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1353-1336 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx, rather crudely made. The sphinx's head is slightly turned to the right, which is unusual for Egyptian sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Ziegler 2002: 405 Cat. 48.

CAT.NR. EG. 68 –
OFFERING RECUMBENT SPHINX AKHENATON

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/probably el-Amarna/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1349-1336 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This relief was one of a pair flanking a temple doorway. Here the sphinx has human arms and hands to make offerings to its god, the Sun-disc, Aton, who appears at the upper left. The sphinx wears the *Uraeus* of kingship while behind it (to the left) are two cartouches containing his full official name. The sun's life-giving rays end in so many hands, some holding *ankh*-signs. Below are three offering stands.

To the right, Akhenaten as sphinx raises one hand in adoration while in the other he holds a *Nebet*-sign, a basket signifying lordship, holding Aton's cartouches. These same cartouches appear a third time in the upper right where they are joined with the cartouches of Akhenaten and Queen Nefertiti, who is thus present in name. The rest of the inscription describes the "great, living Aten" as "dwelling in the Sunshade temple [called] Creator of the Horizon [which is] in Akhenaten". The temple named here, yet to be located, must be the one for which this block was carved.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 26 + fig. 46.

Warmenbol 2006: 23.

(ankh: Siliotti 1994: 281; Hornung 1995: 1714-1715, 1723;

Leprohon 1995: 276.)

RELATED:

- Relief Offering Recumbent Sphinx Akhenaten, 2nd Mill. BC, 14th c. BC, 1349-1336 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn.,

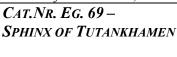
Architectural Element, Relief, Calcite, 59 cm, Egypt, Amarna, Hannover, Kestner Museum, 1964.3. *Sfinx* 2006: 226 Cat. 82; Dubiel 2011: fig. 13.

- Relief Sphinx offered by Akhenaten, 2nd Mill. BC, 14th c. BC, 1349-1336 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Architectural Element, Relief, Limestone, 14,1 x 19,6 x 3,7 cm, Egypt, Amarna (?), Hannover, Kestner Museum, 1926.195. Sfinx 2006: 229 Cat. 84.
- Offering Sphinx Akhenaten, 2nd Mill. BC, 14th c. BC, 1349-1336 BC, New Kingdom, 18th Dyn., Architectural Element, Relief, Limestone, 25 x 65,3 cm, Egypt, Amarna, Paris, Musée du Louvre, E.15589.
 Sfinx 2006: 226, 229 Cat. 83.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Calcite
SIZE
53 cm



TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Karnak/Mut Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC/1347-1338 BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx, probably representing Tutankhamen. Although the object is severely damaged, there is evidence that this sphinx had human arms and hands and that it was offering.

INFORMATION:

Sabbahy and Sabbahy 1985: 221.



MUSEUM

NEW YORK – THE BROOKLYN MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

56.100

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Wood SIZE

8,9 x 9,4 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 70 – GOD AS STRIDING SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebe (?)

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC **New Kingdom**/18th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This sphinx was identified as a male god because of the wig and the curved beard. The back of its body is decorated with falcon-wings.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 217 Cat. 60.



LOCATION

ABYDOS/TEMPLE OF SETI I

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

LOCATION

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

ABYDOS

Relief

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 71 – RELIEF PAIR OF SEATED SPHINXES

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt/Abydos

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Abydos/Temple of Seti I

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th-13th c. BC/ca. 1300 BC

New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of seated bearded sphinxes flanking gods on thrones above a fake door in the Temple of Seti. These sphinxes depict the pharaoh sitting before his name-ring. Through these doors the deceased could return from his grave in order to receive the offerings of the living. In the top left and right corner a *Wadjit*-eye.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 28-29, 34 + fig. 54. Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 3.

CAT.NR. EG. 72 –

RELIEF SPHINX BEFORE BASTET

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt/Abydos

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Abydos/Temple of Seti I/Room V

DATE/PERIOD:2nd Mill. BC/14th-13th c. BC/ca. 1300 BC New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx wearing a *Nemes* topped with a *Uraeus* holds its hands up in a worshipping manner to the goddess Bastet who is sitting on a throne.

INFORMATION:

Mariette 1869: 23, nr. 81 + Pl. 40.

RELATED:

 Relief Sphinx Before Bastet, 14th-13th c. BC, ca. 1300 BC, New Kingdom, Architectural Element, Relief, Egypt, Abydos, Grand Temple.

Mariette 1869: 23, nr. 81 + Pl. 38c.



CAT.NR. EG. 73 – AKER DOUBLE-SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Tomb Seti I

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 13^{th} c. BC/1300-1275 BC

New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

Bearded recumbent double-sphinx guarding the Sun-bark in the tomb of pharaoh Sethos I.

The sphinx is accompanied by a winged snake with two heads and a tail ending in a human-head.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 231-232 + fig. 603.

(Aker: Wiedemann 1890: 103; Kristensen 1917: 109-120; Hornung 1975a: 114-115; Wilkinson 1996: 135; Warmenbol

2006: 15).

CAT.NR. EG. 74 -

OSTRACON PROCESSION BOAT OF AMUN

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Deir el-Medina

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/13th-12th c. BC **New Kingdom**/19th-20th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

One sphinx is standing on a platform on top of a high pole placed behind two goddesses on the bow of the ship. Another sphinx is lying behind the pole.

The boat is decorated with two ram-heads, symbols of Amun, and shows the procession where the veiled image of the god is carried in his boat. Remarkably, a priest replaces the king, who is in theory the only one who can come in close contact with the god.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1311.

Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 2-3. Ziegler 2002: 168 fig. 7, 416 Cat.Nr. 75.

CAT.NR. EG. 75 -

FUNERARY PAPYRUS OF STEWARD SETH-NAKHTE

TYPE: Artefact/Papyrus

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/13th-11th c. BC/1292-1062 BC

New Kingdom/Ramesside Period

DESCRIPTION:

Seth-Nakhte worships the falcon-headed Osiris while holding a figurine of Maat, the goddess of Truth or Justice. Near to them are two bearded sphinxes lying on a table.

INFORMATION:

Hayes 1959: 387-388 + fig. 243.



MUSEUM

BERLIN-

STAATLICHEN MUSEEN

MUSEUM NUMBER

21446

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone

SIZE

11,2 x 17,5 cm



MUSEUM

NEW YORK -

METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

35.9.19а-е

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Papyrus

SIZE

36,8 x 443,2 cm



LOCATION
LUXOR – THEBES
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 76 – AVENUE OF RECUMBENT HUMAN-HEADED SPHINXES

TYPE: Architectural Element/Dromos/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Luxor/Thebes/Temple of Amun

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC/1279-1213 BC **New Kingdom**/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A row of human-headed bearded sphinxes wearing the *Nemes*-headdress recumbent alongside the road to the Temple of Amun. According to Roeder, there were hundreds of these sphinxes in Thebes.

INFORMATION: Budge 1893: 34. Roeder 1909: 1310.

Sourouzian 2006: 107-108.

RELATED:

 Sphinx Ramesside Period, 2nd Mill. BC, New Kingdom, 13th-12th c. BC, 19th Dyn., Reign of Ramesses II (?) (1292-1186 BC?), Figure, Sandstone, 147 cm, Karnak, probably Temple of Amun-Re-Herakhty, Torino, Museo Egizio, Museum Number c.1408.

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LOCATION KARNAK MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Size

CAT.NR. EG. 77 – AVENUE OF RECUMBENT RAM-SPHINXES WITH PHARAOH

TYPE: Architectural Element/Dromos/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Karnak/Temple of Amun

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC/1279-1213 BC **New Kingdom**/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Row of recumbent Criosphinxes (with ram-head) alongside the road to the Temple of Amun in Karnak; each sphinx has a figurine representing the pharaoh Amenhotep III between its front paws. The pharaoh wears the *Nemes* headdress decorated with a *Uraeus* and has a beard. In his hands, he holds the *Ankh*-sign, the symbol of eternal life.

The ram-heads identify these composite creatures as an appearance of the God Amun-Re, who protects the pharaoh.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1304, 1310, 1337. Demisch 1977: 14, 23-24 + fig. 35-36.

Fischer 1987: 14-15. Cabrol 2001: Pl. 24.

Sourouzian 2006: 104-105, 107.

Dubiel 2011: 6 + fig. 3.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: 173 + fig. 7.69.

RELATED:

Recumbent Ram-headed Sphinx, 2^{nd} Mill. BC, 13^{th} - 12^{th} c. BC, New Kingdom, 19th-20th Dyn., Figure, Limestone, 36 x 60 x 18,5 cm, Egypt, Leiden, Rijksmuseum van Oudheden, H.III.GGG.1.

Sfinx 2006: 120, 277.



WADI ES-SEBUA MUSEUM NUMBER

LOCATION

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 78 -RECUMBENT CROWNED SPHINX RAMSES II

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Wadi es-Sebua/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC/1279-1213 BC New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent bearded sphinx wearing the Nemes-headdress and the Egyptian crown; the face of the sphinx has the features of Ramses II. This sphinx was part of a Dromos.

INFORMATION:

Wiedemann 1884: 451. Roeder 1909: 1310. Siliotti 1994: 270.

Sourouzian 2006: 109-110.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.60a-c; fig. 8.52.



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PARIS - MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Coralline SIZE

2,05 x 3,1 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 79 -AMULET RAMSES II

TYPE: Jewellery/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC/1279-1213 BC New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A small amulet that provided the owner a part of the power of the pharaoh (in this case Ramses II, according to an inscription on the base). The red colour refers to Horus-of-the-Horizon.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 229 Cat. 85.

(Horus-of-the-Horizon: Warmenbol 2006: 14-16; Zivie-Coche

2006: 60, 63.)



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MUSEUM NUMBER
EA.13
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Limestone
SIZE
106.5 x 33 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 80 – HAWK-HEADED STATUE

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Abu Simbel/Temple Ramses II

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC/1279-1213 BC **New Kingdom**/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent hawk-headed sphinx (griffin), whose head refers to Ra-Herakhty, belonging to a pair that flanked the entrance of the second hall of the temple in Abu Simbel.

INFORMATION:

Ziegler 2002: 205 fig. 7 + 383 Cat. 3.

RELATED:

- Amulet Falcon-headed Sphinx, 2nd Mill. BC, 13th c. BC, 1279-1213 BC, New Kingdom, 19th Dyn., Jewelry, Amulet, Coraline, 1,8 x 2,8 x 1 cm, Egypt, London, British Museum, EA 24197.
 - Sfinx 2006: 274, 276 Cat. 154.
- Ramses II Before Falcon-headed Sphinx, 2nd Mill. BC, 13th c. BC, 1279-1213 BC, New Kingdom, 19th Dyn., Architectural Element, Relief, Limestone, 58 x 76,5 x 5 cm, Egypt, Giza(?), Paris, Musée du Louvre, E 26918. Sfinx 2006: 77, 274 Cat. 153.





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MUSEUM NUMBER
UPM Object # E2096
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Limestone
SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 81 – PAIR OF SPHINXES WITH ANKH-SIGNS

TYPE: Architectural Element/Door Lintel

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt/Memphis

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Memphis/Death Tomb Merenptah

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC: 13^{th} c. BC/1213-1203 BC New Kingdom/ 19^{th} Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This limestone block with a relief of two recumbent sphinxes, was discovered by Flinders Petrie at the death temple of Merenptah in Memphis. Merenptah recovered this relief from the death temple of Amenhotep III (ca. 1388-1351 BC).

The relief shows two opposite recumbent bearded sphinxes, both protected by wings, and both holding a royal cartouche. Each sphinx lies on a podium, of which the front is decorated with *Ankh*-signs.

INFORMATION:

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: 186 + fig. 7.92.



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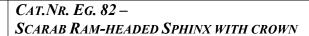
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite/Pierced, glazed, engraved

Size

1,3 x 1,1 cm



TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi/Tomb 2

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 13^{th} - 12^{th} c. BC/ca. 1295-1186 BC

New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A ram-headed sphinx (Criosphinx) wearing a crown; in front of it a

Maat-feather, behind a Sun-disc.

INFORMATION:

Jacobsson 1994: nr. 277.

CAT.NR. EG. 83 – SPHINX-STANDARD

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 13^{th} - 12^{th} c. BC/ ca. 1295-1185 BC

New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

In front of this elegant, slim, bearded sphinx are two *Uraei*. This figure probably played a part in cultic rites and was most possible

part of a sacred boat.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1311.

Fazzini 1975: 92 Cat. 78.



MUSEUM

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MUSEUM NUMBER

61.20

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze SIZE

14 x 4,1 x 12,7 cm



CAT.NR. EG. 84 -

SCARAB BEARDED SPHINX WITH MAAT

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Syria

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 13^{th} - 12^{th} c. BC/1295-1186 BC

New Kingdom/19th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent bearded sphinx facing a 'hs'-vessel (praise) and the goddess Maat facing a *Uraeus*; above the sphinx an inscription (The god, Lord of the Land), below a cartouche-like border with different

hieroglyphs.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite (?)/Pierced, engraved

SIZE

 $3.7 \times 2.6 \times 1.6 \text{ cm}$

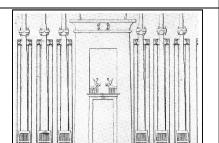


Matouk 1971: 64 nr. 366. Giveon 1985: 178, nr. 9.

RELATED:

Plaque Seti I, 2nd Mill. BC, 13th c. BC, ca. 1294-1279 BC,
 New Kingdom, 19th Dyn., Artefact, Plaque, Faience, 1,3 x
 1,9 cm, Egypt, Florence, Museo Egizio, 10367.

Ziegler 2002: 407 Cat. 50.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 85 –

PAIR OF RECUMBENT OFFERING SPHINXES

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Karnak/Temple

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/12th c. BC **New Kingdom**/20th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of recumbent sphinxes holding an offering in their human hands and decorating the façade of a temple. These sphinxes act as guards.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 24 + fig. 38.

CAT.NR. EG. 86 -

RAMSES III OFFERING A SPHINX

Type: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Karnak/Khonsu Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/12th c. BC/ca. 1186-1155 BC **New Kingdom**/20th Dyn.



In the sanctuary of the Khonsu Temple in Karnak, Ramses III, who built the temple on the site of an older one, is seen offering a sphinx. Ramses wears the *Nemes*-headdress topped with a *Uraeus*; above his head the solar-eye flanked by the symbols for Upper- and Lower-Egypt can be seen, each wearing the crown of their respective region and each carrying the *ankh*-sign, that is repeated once to the left of the eye.

INFORMATION:

Wikipedia.org.

RELATED:

- Ptolemeaus VII Neos Philopator Offering a Sphinx to Osiris, ca. 145 BC, Relief, Egypt, Philae, Scene 954. Sfinx 2006: Afb. 11.



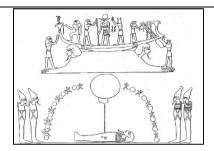
LOCATION

KARNAK – KHONSU TEMPLE

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



LOCATION
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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Mural Painting
SIZE



TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/Tomb Ramses VI

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/12th-11th c. BC/ca. 1100 BC **New Kingdom**

DESCRIPTION:

The Sun Bark resting on the Aker double-sphinx. Next to one sphinx is written "beautiful entrance", next to the second "beautiful exit". Images of the double-sphinx can be found on vignettes, amulets and murals.

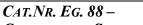
INFORMATION:

Kristensen 1917: 119.

Demisch 1977: 231 + fig. 602.

(Aker: Wiedemann 1890: 103; Kristensen 1917: 109-120; Hornung 1975a: 114-115; Wilkinson 1996: 135; Warmenbol

2006: 15.)



COFFIN WITH SPHINXES AND DIVINITIES

TYPE: Artefact/Sarcophagus

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Luxor/Deir el-Bahri/Tomb

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/11th-10th c. BC/ca. 1000 BC

3rd Intermediate/21st Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Wooden lid of the coffin of an unidentified woman. The face is framed by a large tripartite wig, coloured blue (traditionally suggesting lapis lazuli, the material from which the hair of the gods and thus by extension the deceased - was made). Three lotus blossoms are positioned on the head. The woman wears a necklace and a large collar. In the space between the hands is a miniature scene showing the Sun-god at dawn, represented both as the scarab beetle and as the solar disk on the horizon, raised in the bark of the morning above the *Djed*-pillar, which symbolizes the realm of Osiris in which the Sun-god has passed the night. The space below the collar is filled with a complex mass of small images arranged in two zones.

The first section, reaching from the collar to below the knees, is dominated by three large figures with outspread wings: a solar disk, the goddess Neth, and a falcon. The intervening spaces are occupied by symmetrical groupings centred on a scarab beetle supporting the solar disk, flanked by divinities and sphinxes and protected by the outstretched wings of goddesses and falcons. The lower zone is subdivided into three columns of compartments, who again combine solar disks, scarab beetles, and enthroned deities. A few signs give the names of the deities.

INFORMATION:

Andrews 1990: 114 + fig. 95.



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LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1893,0514.184
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Wood/
Varnished, painted, gesso
SIZE

185 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER
1930,0712.21
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Glazed Composition
SIZE
3,03 x 1,15 x 2,2 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER
1946,1204.134
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
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SIZE
4,3 x 1,47 x 3,23 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 89 – AMULET SEATED SPHINX

TYPE: JEWELLERY/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2^{nd} - 1^{st} Mill. $BC/11^{th}$ - 8^{th} c. BC/1070-712 BC

3rd Intermediate Period

DESCRIPTION:

A small seated sphinx with remarkable head- or hair-dress. Amulets like these were used by women in connection with birth and nursing babies

INFORMATION:

Andrews 1994: fig. 78 d. *Sfinx* 2006: 251, 254 Cat. 121.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.44.

CAT.NR. EG. 90 -

FIGURE SNAKE-HEADED SEATED SPHINX

TYPE: ARTEFACT/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2^{nd} - 1^{st} Mill. BC/ 11^{th} - 7^{th} c. BC/1070-664 BC

3rd Intermediate/21st-25th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A seated sphinx with the head of a snake. According to Andrews this composite creature symbolizes the god Nehebkau, who guaranteed food for the people.

INFORMATION:

Andrews 1994: fig. 79.

Sfinx 2006: 154, 272-273 Cat. 149.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.38.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1884,0714.148

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite/Pierced, engraved

SIZE

1,3 x 1,8 x 0,75 cm

CAT.NR. EG. 91 –

SCARAB RECUMBENT RAM-HEADED SPHINX WITH ATEF-CROWN

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Phoenicia

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1539-1075 BC

 1^{st} Mill. BC/7th-4th c. BC/664-332 BC

New Kingdom or Late Period

DESCRIPTION:

Ram-headed recumbent sphinx crowned by an elaborate Atef crown confronting a seated Re-Herakhty; behind the sphinx a winged *Uraeus*, a sun-disc between its wings.

INFORMATION:

Petrie 1891: Pl. 23, 37.

Newberry 1907: Pl. IX, 36324. Roeder 1909: 1337-1338.

Hornung, Stähelin a.o.: 255 nr. 322, 313 nr. 615, 399 nr.

MV25.

Giveon 1985: 180 nr. 12.

Miscellaneous



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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. EG. 92 – Sphinx with Nubian Head

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt (?) FIND SPOT: Egypt/Erment

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 16^{th} - 11^{th} c. BC/1539-1075 BC

New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

A relief of a seated female sphinx with a Nubian head; it seems the sphinx is wearing a collar (or a leash?).

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1304, 1327. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 271. Demisch 1977: 28 + fig. 56. Gubel 1998: 631 + fig. 1.

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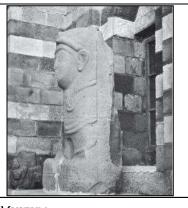
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

4,6 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Basalt SIZE

SIZE 190 cm CAT.NR. AN. 1 –
SPHINX WITH ANIMALS AND COMPOSITE CREATURES

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Bögazköy (Hattusha)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/ca. 1500 BC

Middle Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

An artefact decorated with a winged female sphinx in the middle, surrounded by mammals and other mythological, composite creatures. The sphinx looks over its shoulder; it is depicted larger than the other animals but it is not clear if that is because it is in every sense the central motif.

INFORMATION:

Canby 1975: 240 + fig. 12. Demisch 1977: 48 + fig. 111. Gilibert 2011a: 44-45 + fig. 12.

CAT.NR. AN. 2 -

ZINCIRLI DOOR SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Zincirli

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/14th-13th c. BC/1350-1200 BC

Late Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

A typical Hittite female sphinx protome.

INFORMATION:

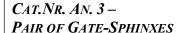
Gilibert 2011b: 79-80 + fig. 3.



LOCATION **ALAÇA HÜYÜK** MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 210 cm



TYPE: Architectural Element

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey/Alaça Hüyük

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Alaça Hüyük

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/1 4^{th} - 13^{th} c. BC/ca. 1300 BC

Late Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of standing sphinxes guard the entrance to the city. These 2-elements sphinxes (human and lion) wear a neck collar decorated with 3 rosettes and a headdress that reminds one of the *Nemes* of the Egyptian pharaohs.

Other reliefs nearby represent a ritual hunt, a festival in honour of the Weather-god and offerings. All these events took place before the watchful eye of the sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Frankfort 1954: fig. 249.

Güterbock 1956: 54-56 + pl. IVa. Dessenne 1957a: 116-118 + fig. 287. Canby 1975: 237-240 + fig. 11. Demisch 1977: 51, 56 + fig. 119.

Alexander 1989: 151-158.

Canby 1989: 117.

Frankfort 1989: 217, 221 + figs. 247, 249.

Kohlmeyer 1995: 2645-2648. Gilibert 2011a: 45 + fig. 13. Schachner 2012: 137.

(More information on the function of the Gates: Miller 2012.)





CAT.NR. AN. 4 – TABLET OF INI-TESHUB

TYPE: Artefact/Tablet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Karkemish

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC

Late Bronze/Late Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

This tablet with cuneiform text belonged to the Hittite viceroy of North Syria during the mid-13th c. BC, Ini-Teshub of Karkemish. The text tells about a lawsuit between 2 merchants, one of whom demands payment of a debt. The text is written in Akkadian (Babylonian), the international language of the Late Bronze Age in the Middle East. In the centre of the tablet is an impression of the king's stamp seal bearing the figure of a Hittite god holding a winged sphinx, with the king's name in both the cuneiform and Hittite hieroglyphic scripts.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011a: 44 + fig. 11.

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1977.114

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta

SIZE

 $8,75 \times 6,75 \text{ cm}$



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. AN. 5 – YERKAPI SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Hattusha (Boğazköy)/Southern Gate

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC **Late Bronze/Late Hittite**

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of these sphinxes stood at the south gate of the city. They both wear a horned cap.

INFORMATION:

Frankfort 1954: 221-223 + fig. 253. Dessenne 1957a: 119-121 + fig. 288.

Kohlmeyer 1995: 2649. Schachner 2015: 155 + fig. 12.

(More information on the function of the Gates: Miller 2012.)

RELATED:

- *Yerkapi Sphinx*, Architectural Element, Figure, Turkey, Hattusha (Boğazköy), Southern Gate, Berlin. Kohlmeyer 1995: 2649.

CAT.NR. AN. 6 -

FIGURE WINGED SPHINX WITH HORNED CROWN AND SACRED TREE

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

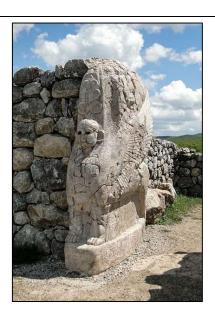
PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Hattusha (Boğazköy)/Southern Gate

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC **Late Bronze/Late Hittite**

DESCRIPTION:

Winged female sphinx (one of four) that guarded a gate in the city of Hattusha (the so-called Sphinx-gate) with Hathor-curls, wearing a horned crown and with a Sacred Tree on the head. So, this sphinx functions both as a gate-guard and as the bearer of the Sacred Tree. The gate was not really an entrance and the sphinx was not a sculpture in the round, it was part of the architecture. The gate served as a ritual place, where political and religious rituals (offerings and festivals in





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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Basalt
SIZE

258 cm

honour of the gods) took place. Ca. 30 m. in front of these sphinxes a bronze offering table was found (decorated with the seals of the Weather-god and of the Sun-goddess and inscribed with a political treaty), which may suggest that the sphinx itself received offerings. This is one of the earliest so-called 4-elements sphinxes (human, lion, bird, bull) and one of the earliest monumental sculptures of a sphinx found in the Near East. The Hittite gate-sphinxes were the prototype of a long tradition.

INFORMATION: Unger 1928: 339. Andrae 1935.

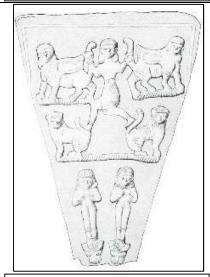
Demisch 1977: 44-45, 49-51, 56, 60, 68 + fig. 117.

Canby 1989: 109.

Frankfort 1989: 221 + figs. 252-253. Gilibert 2011a: 44-45, 49 Cat. 10.

Schachner 2013: 122.

(More information on the function of the Gates: Miller 2012.)



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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze SIZE

CAT.NR. AN. 7 – BRONZE HORSE BIT MASTER OF ANIMALS

TYPE: Artefact/Equestrian

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Tell Tayinat

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

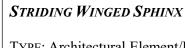
A human male, Master of Animals, stands on two lions and holds two winged sphinxes by their tail. At the bottom of the object stand two naked females, who cover their breasts with their hands.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 82 + fig. 10.



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BERLIN –
STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
MUSEUM NUMBER
VA 2711
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Basalt/Relief
SIZE
100 x 135 cm



CAT.NR. AN. 8 -

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Zincirli/Citadel

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC Syro-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

A striding winged sphinx, probably female. Two armed gods are nearby, as are a lion and a Hunting-demon, a Weather-god and some other animals (deer). It seems that the sphinx is a part of the Wild. Immediately before this sphinx is the Striding Winged Griffin (Cat.Nr. An. 9).

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 84, 94 Cat. 21.

CAT.NR. AN. 9 – STRIDING WINGED GRIFFIN

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Zincirli/Citadel

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC **Syro-Hittite**

DESCRIPTION:

A striding winged griffin (lion-body with falcon-head) is depicted right in front of the Striding Winged Sphinx (Cat.Nr. An. 8).

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 84, 94 Cat. 22.



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BERLIN –
STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
MUSEUM NUMBER
VA 2710
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Basalt/Relief
SIZE
100 x 100 cm

Religious



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold SIZE



TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC **Late Bronze/Late Hittite**

DESCRIPTION:

The goddess Schauschga standing on a striding sphinx (with lion-head on its chest) is flanked by a pair of lions.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 58-60, 63 + fig. 144.

Gilibert 2011a: 44 + fig. 10.



TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Karkemish

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th c. BC **Neo-Hittite**

DESCRIPTION:

Two standing winged sphinxes attack a winged horse; the sphinxes are identifiable as female because of their Hathor-curls. This mythological context, with the female sphinx acting as a predator, an attacker, is very unusual. Earlier female sphinxes from Late Bronze were always depicted as calm creatures guarding entrances and looking over rituals, both political and religious.

This relief was found in the so-called Herald's wall so the original location is unknown.

INFORMATION: Gilibert 2007.

Gilibert 2011b: 82 + fig. 9.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone SIZE 130 x 156 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1981.83

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze SIZE

16,5 x 9,5 cm

CAT.NR. AN. 12 – HORSE-BLINKER WITH STRIDING WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Equestrian

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Eastern Anatolia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th-9th c. BC Iron Age II/Urartian

DESCRIPTION:

A winged bearded centaur shoots an arrow at a winged beardless

sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

CAT.NR. AN. 13 -

ZINCIRLI EASTERN ORTHOSTATIC SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Zincirli/Citadel

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC/900-875 BC

Svro-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

This relief of a winged female sphinx with a lion-head on its breast and a tail ending in a bird-head stood on the eastern corner of the northern façade of the citadel in Zincirli. In front of the sphinx stands

a deceased ruler.

INFORMATION:

Ward 1910: 263 + fig. 787.

Gilibert 2011b: 84 + figs. 13, 15 Cats. 19-20.



BERLIN-STAATLICHEN MUSEEN MUSEUM NUMBER VA 2657 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Basalt/Relief SIZE

95 x 72 x 84 cm



CAT.NR. AN. 14 -

ZINCIRLI WINGED SPHINX AND WINGED GRIFFIN

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Zincirli/Citadel Gate

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC

Syro-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

A winged griffin and a male winged sphinx, both with their tails

ending in a bird-head.

They seem to be part of scenes of a cult for the ancestors.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

INFORMATION:

Winter 1976a: 40-41 + fig. 25. Gilibert 2011b: 84, 86 + fig. 14.



CAT.NR. AN. 15 -ZINCIRLI WINGED SPHINX WITH MAN

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Zincirli

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC

Svro-Hittite

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

This scene with a winged striding sphinx and a man walking behind it is part of a procession. Nearby the sphinx are scenes from a hunt (represents the wild) and scenes of a cult for the ancestors.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 86 + fig. 15.



CAT.NR. AN. 16 -PYXIS ANCESTOR CULT WITH SPHINXES

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Zincirli (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC

Neo-Hittite

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61.1075a

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite

SIZE

 $5,2 \times 9,5 \text{ cm}$

DESCRIPTION:

Pyxis divided into five compartments. Decoration is only fragmentary

Probably remains of figure seated before a table heaped with offerings; confronted sphinxes holding a standard with a Sun-disc at the top; the foot of a third sphinx (?) facing left.

On the lid two deer flanking a Sacred Tree.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011b: 86 + fig. 16.

Miscellaneous



LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER C.144 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Plaster/Painted, moulded SIZE

116,5 x 137,5 x 10,5 cm

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CAT.NR. AN. 17 – Sphinx with Lion-head on Breast

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Karkemish

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/10th c. BC Neo-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

Striding winged male human-headed sphinx with a lion-protome on its breast. This relief was re-used in the so-called Herald's Wall, so the original context is unknown.

INFORMATION:

Frankfort 1954: 299 + fig. 348. Demisch 1977: 58-60 + fig. 149. Frankfort 1989: 299 + fig. 348 (right).

McMahon 1989: 74. Gilibert 2011b: 82 + fig. 8.

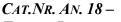


FIGURE RECUMBENT FEMALE SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Tell Tayinat

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-8th c. BC/ca. 800 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent female sphinx; its hair is secured with a headband knotted at the back of the head and falls in two large curls onto its breast.

INFORMATION:

Chicago Oriental Institute.



MUSEUM
CHICAGO –
ORIENTAL INSTITUTE
MUSEUM NUMBER
OIM A27853
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Basalt, stone
SIZE
25,4 x 24,4 cm

THE AEGEAN

Political



MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Terracotta
SIZE

CAT.NR. AEG. 1 – TERRACOTTA FIGURE OF A SPHINX HAGIA TRIADA

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Hagia Triada

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/late 16th c. BC/1550-1500 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A very crudely executed figurine in the shape of a standing sphinx (?)

with short legs.

INFORMATION:

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 302. Demisch 1977: 66 + fig. 176.

CAT.NR. AEG. 2 –
FINGER-RING PAIR OF SPHINXES WITH SACRED TREE

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Mycenae

DATE/PERIOD: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/16^{th}$ - 13^{th} c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of seated winged sphinxes sniffing a Sacred Tree. This is the oldest Aegean picture of a pair of sphinxes flanking a Sacred Tree.

INFORMATION:

Evans 1901: 57-58 + fig. 33. Demisch 1977: 67 + fig. 180. Crowley 2013: 236 E 214 a.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE





MUSEUM **BOSTON MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS** MUSEUM NUMBER 01.5383 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold SIZE

CAT.NR. AEG. 3 -FINGER-RING RECUMBENT SPHINX WITH EXPANDED WINGS

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring (Reproduction)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Mycenae

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-13th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A sphinx with a plumed head lying with its wings outstretched.

COMB RECUMBENT SPHINXES WITH ROSETTE

INFORMATION:

CAT.NR. AEG. 4-

TYPE: Artefact/Comb

FIND SPOT: Aegean

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC Mycenaean

Demisch 1977: 60, 67 + fig. 182. Crowley 2013: 236 E 214.



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SIZE

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory

DESCRIPTION:

Five recumbent sphinxes with outstretched wings decorate this ivory comb. In between the two at the top row there is a rosette.

INFORMATION:

Dussaud 1914: 178.

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 307.

Demisch 1977: 60, 68 + fig. 183.



CAT.NR. AEG. 5 -

PLAQUE RECUMBENT SPHINX WITH EXPANDED WINGS

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Attica/Spata

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC

Mycenaean

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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

A sphinx lying with its wings completely stretched. The sphinx is of the typical Mycenaean type.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 60, 67 + fig. 181. Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 100 + fig. 3.



CAT.NR. AEG. 6 – GRIFFINS FLANKING THRONE

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Crete/Knossos

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Knossos/Palace/Throne Room

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC/ca. 1450 BC **Late Minoan**

LOCATION
KNOSSOS
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Painted

SIZE 180 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Two recumbent hawk-headed sphinxes (griffins) flank the throne in the throne-room in the palace of Knossos. According to some scholars, e.g. Cameron, the throne was meant for the goddess known as the Mistress of Animals.

A second pair of sphinxes (not on the photograph; Cat.Nr. Aeg. 25) in the same throne room, however, flank the doorway to a shrine. A lock of hair of the griffins ends in a spiral that encircles a rosette.

INFORMATION:

Evans 1899/1900: 35-42.

Evans 1928b: 785.

Evans 1935b: 910 ff. + Pl. XXXII.

Karo 1959: 6, 56. Hopkins 1963. Cameron 1976: 157.

Demisch 1977: 64, 67, 72 + fig. 170. Marinatos 1993: 53-54, 106-109.

Rehak 1995b: 97. Hood 2005: 65 nr. 8. Morgan 2005c: 28. Zouzoula 2007: 271-272.

Hitchcock 2010. Morgan 2010: 304, 307.



MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory SIZE



TYPE: Artefact/Mirror-handle

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Zater Papura/Tomb 40

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th-14th c. BC/ca. 1400 BC

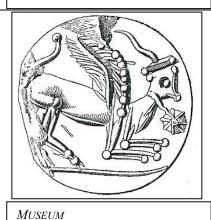
DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent winged sphinx whose breast is decorated with a spiral.

INFORMATION:

Evans 1928b:778 + fig. 506. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 299.

Demisch 1977: 66-67, 71 + fig. 179. Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 100 + fig. 2.



WINGED SPHINX

CAT.NR. AEG. 8-

WINGED SPHINX WITH ROSETTE-MEDALLION

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Hagia Triada

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th-12th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A crouching winged sphinx wearing a rosette-medallion round its

INFORMATION:

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 296.

Demisch 1977: 66-67 + fig. 177.



SIZE

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Stone



CAT.NR. AEG. 9 -

MASTER OF ANIMALS WITH PAIR OF SPHINXES

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: ???? FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/15th-11th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A bird-demon (probably a genius) functions as Master of Animals over a pair of winged sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 70 + fig. 193.

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NEW YORK -

PIERPONT MORGAN LIBRARY

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



NEW YORK -METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

1999.325.206

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Hematite

SIZE

2 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 10 -PAIR OF WINGED SPHINXES FLANKING MAN

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: ???? FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC

Late Bronze/Late Cypriot II

DESCRIPTION:

Male human figure (Master of Animals?) flanked by pair of winged

sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Annual Report 2000: 9.



MUSEUM

PARIS -

MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

AM 2164

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold/Repoussé

SIZE

 $20.3 \times 9.4 \text{ cm}$

CAT.NR. AEG. 11 -PECTORAL WITH SPHINXES AND STYLIZED TREE

TYPE: Jewellery/Pectoral

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th-13th c. BC/1400-1230 BC

Late Bronze Age II

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes stand on either side of a Sacred Tree. This is a motif of Near Eastern inspiration, also found in Mycenaean Greece and through the 1st Millennium.

INFORMATION:

Schaeffer 1953: Pl. XIV, 1. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 327. Demisch 1977: 70 + fig. 194.

Pfälzner 2015: 199-200 + fig. 33. CAT.NR. AEG. 12 -



RELIEF PAIR OF WINGED SPHINXES FLANKING COLUMN

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Mycenae

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th-12th c. BC/ca. 1200 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two confronting winged sphinxes wearing a pointed hat and with a spiral on their shoulder, decorate a column.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory Size INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 68, 71 + fig. 184.



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1946,1017.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze/Soldered, mould-made,

hammered, cast

SIZE

29,21 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 13 – VESSEL-STAND STRIDING WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th-12th c. BC/1225-1100 BC Late Cypriot II C (?)/Late Cypriot III A (?)

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: A striding winged sphinx wearing a flat cap; below it two

birds

Side B: A lion attacking a water-bird; below probably two dolphins.

Side C: A two-horse chariot with driver and passenger; below 3 water-

birds.

Side D: A seated figure playing a musical instrument and two figures of whom the first plays a similar instrument. The third figure, probably a servant, carries a jug in his right hand and raises a cup in his left; below a water-bird attacks a fish or dolphin.

INFORMATION:

Matthäus 1985: 316 nr. 706 + Plates 103-104.



CAT.NR. AEG. 14 – VASE BULL-SPHINXES WITH SACRED TREE

TYPE: Pottery/Vase

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC/1250-1200 BC Late Cypriot II C (?)/Late Cypriot III (?)

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MUSEUM NUMBER

1897,0401.1260

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

White Painted/

Wheel-made, painted

SIZE

41 x 36,6 x 40,05 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Pair of standing winged bearded sphinxes flanking a tree. The sphinxes have bull-legs and a cross-rosette on their shoulder.

Side B: A bull.

INFORMATION:

Murray, Smith a.o. 1900: 49, fig. 76.

Demisch 1977: 72 + fig. 200.

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 101-102 + fig 8.





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1930,0617.2
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze
SIZE
5,4 x 4,8 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 15 – FIGURE STANDING BEARDED SPHINX

TYPE: Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/10th c. BC

Minoan

DESCRIPTION:

Standing bearded, wingless sphinx, made in the Minoan tradition.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.

Religious



LOCATION
MUSEUM OF
PREHISTORIC THERA
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 25 x 221 x 11 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 16 – HUNTING GRIFFIN

TYPE: Mural painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Thera

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Thera/Eastern Wall West House/Room 5

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

An Egyptian landscape with a winged griffin hunting a gazelle.

The mural painting shows the travels of the Minoan fleet, but it is certain that no Minoan ship would pass through a landscape as this. Thus, the painting must have symbolic and/or mythical meaning, a fact that is accentuated by the presence of the mythical animal, the griffin. According to some researchers, the griffin can refer to the aggressive and victorious fleet, but at the same time to the fact that the Minoan sailors and traders act under divine blessing.

The Nilotic landscape differs greatly from the Aegean landscape that is depicted on the opposite wall and that shows on the horizon deer chased by lions and mountains and pines.

The question where the Minoan craftsman saw a landscape like this can be answered by more recent excavations, that made clear that the Minoans travelled to the Nile-delta already in the 16th c. BC, i.e. at the same time, or even slightly before, the murals of Thera were painted.

Cf. 12.3. Hunting Griffin.

INFORMATION:

Warren 1979.

Watrous 1991: 297.

Pharaonen und Fremde 1994: Kat.Nr. 231.

Zouzoula 2007: 202-205.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 437 + fig. 158.

Morgan 2010: 304, 313.

(More information on griffin as predator: Morgan 2010: 313-314.)



GODDESS WITH GRIFFIN, MONKEY & CROCUS-GATHERERS

TYPE: Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Thera

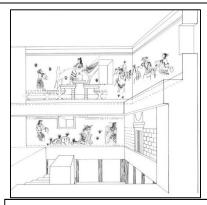
FIND SPOT: Aegean/Thera/Akrotiri/Xeste 3

Date/Period:2nd Mill. BC/16th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A goddess, perhaps a "Nature" goddess, sits on a podium and is flanked by a griffin, standing behind her and controlled by a leash, and a blue monkey in front of her.





LOCATION

THERA/AKROTIRI/XESTE 3

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

On the level beneath this scene, girls are gathering crocuses, and the monkey, a symbol connected with ritual proceedings alluding to coming of age and marriage, may be offering crocuses to the goddess.

INFORMATION:

Marinatos 1985: 222, 224, 226.

Davis 1986: 402.

Immerwahr 1990: 59-62 + fig. 20. Marinatos 1993: 151-152, 203-211.

Aruz 1995b: 41-42. Crowley 1995: 487-488. Rehak 1995b: 105. Younger 1995a: 175. Laffineur 2001: 388-389.

Rehak 2001: 3-5. Rehak 2002. Rehak 2004: 90, 92. Morgan 2005c: 37.

Tzachili and Edmonds 2005. (about the crocus-gathering)

Zouzoula 2007: 201-202, 273, 275.

Nugent 2008: 9-12. Morgan 2010: 304.

Blakolmer 2014: 199-200 + Abb. 20.

Chapin 2014: 24 + fig. 1.14.

Marinatos 2016.



CAT.NR. AEG. 18 – ANTITHETICAL GRIFFINS

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Crete/Knossos

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Knossos/Palace/Great East Hall

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 16^{th} - 15^{th} c. BC/ca. 1600-1450 BC

LOCATION KNOSSOS PALACE – GREAT EAST HALL MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Painted Stucco Relief SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

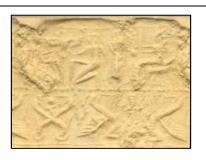
Two winged griffins stand back to back, each tied with a rope to the column in front of it. According to Evans, the Minoan griffin was closely related to the Minoan goddess and could even at some occasions, take her place.

INFORMATION:

Evans 1930: 510-513 + fig. 355.

Cameron 1976: 156.

Hood 2005: 75 nr. 28 + fig. 2.26.

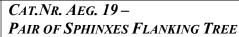


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MUSEUM NUMBER

1897,0401.41

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Planchette, Steatite, Glazed
Composition/Engraved, drilled
SIZE



TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean, Cyprus

FIND SPOT: Aegean, Cyprus, Enkomi, Tomb 32.

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-15th c. BC/1550-1400 BC **Late Cypriot** II A-B (?)/Late Cypriot I B (?)

DESCRIPTION:

Two registers: First one: Pair of seated winged sphinxes flanking a tree and two quadrupeds (?). Second: Two naked kneeling men with a bird between them and another figure offering a gift to a female deity.

INFORMATION:

Walters 1926: 127.

Kenna 1971: 27, Cat.Nr. 66.

Joyner, Merrillees and Xenophontos 2006: 130. Crewe, Catling and Kiely 2009: no. 32.9.

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MUSEUM NUMBER

1897,0401.474

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold/

Pierced, impressed, hammered

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Pierced, impressed, hammered

SIZE

12,5 x 3,8 cm

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SIZE 17 x 2,6 cm

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

1897,0401.518

CAT.NR. AEG. 20 -

DIADEM SPHINX AND PALMETTES

TYPE: Jewellery/Diadem

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Cyprus

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi/Tomb 91.

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/16^{th}\text{--}11^{th}$ c. BC/1550--1050 BC

Late Cypriot I B

DESCRIPTION:

Diadem decorated with one row of one seated winged sphinx and six

palmettes.

INFORMATION:

Murray, Smith a.o. 1900: 42, Pl. VII.

Marshall 1911: nr. 140.

CAT.NR. AEG. 21 -

DIADEM/MOUTH-PIECE SEATED WINGED SPHINXES

TYPE: Jewellery/Mouth-piece or Diadem

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Cyprus

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi/Tomb 93

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1550-1050 BC

Late Cypriot I B

DESCRIPTION:

Golden artefact decorated with a row of four seated winged sphinxes interspersed with S-spirals.

INFORMATION:

Murray, Smith a.o. 1900: 42, Pl. VII.

Marshall 1911: nr. 84.



LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1897,0401.473

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold/

Pierced, impressed, hammered

SIZE

9,1 x 5 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 22-MOUTH-PIECE SEATED WINGED SPHINXES

TYPE: Jewellery/Mouth-piece

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Cyprus

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi/Tomb 91.

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/16th-11th c. BC/1550-1050 BC

Late Cypriot I B

DESCRIPTION:

Golden mouth-piece decorated with three rows of seated winged

sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Marshall 1911: 20 nr. 196 + Pl. 111.

SIGNET RING GODDESSES IN CHARIOT DRAWN BY GRIFFINS

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

CAT.NR. AEG. 23 -

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Evros/Antheia/Tholos Tomb

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/16^{th}$ - 15^{th} c. BC

Early Mycenaean

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged griffins are pulling a chariot in which two women are seated (two goddesses or one goddess and one deceased woman?). In front and

behind the griffins a tree is standing.

This image is the first on which a griffin is pulling a chariot. A second one can be seen on a larnax (Cat.Nr. Aeg. 26), a third one on a vase

(Cat.Nr. Aeg. 29).

INFORMATION:

Pini 1993: 137.



MUSEUM

ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM OF MESSENIA

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold

SIZE



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CAT.NR. AEG. 24 – GRIFFIN LED BY PRIEST

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Vaphio/Tholos Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/15th c. BC

Palatial Period

DESCRIPTION:

A winged griffin led with a rope by a priest (?), who seems to be reciting or singing (open mouth).

INFORMATION:

Evans 1928b: 784-785 + fig. 512. Evans 1935b: 412-413 + fig. 341. Seyrig 1955: 29-30 + Pl. III, 3. Demisch 1977: 71 + fig. 197.

Rehak 1994.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 139 Cat. 78.

Crowley 2010: 87-88 fig. 39. Crowley 2013: 144 E 29.



LOCATION
KNOSSOS
MUSEUM NUMBER

SIZE

1761 (CMS I 223) MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Red Jasper SIZE 2,2 cm

 $\begin{array}{l} \textit{MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE} \\ \textit{Mural} \end{array}$

CAT.NR. AEG. 25 – GRIFFIN FLANKING SHRINE-DOOR

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Crete/Knossos

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Knossos Palace/Throne Room

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/ca. 1450 BC

Late Minoan

DESCRIPTION:

The same pair of griffins that flank the throne in the court room of the Palace in Knossos (cf. Cat.Nr. Aeg. 6) returns in the same room flanking the entrance to a shrine.

INFORMATION:

Evans 1899/1900: 35-42. Evans 1935b: 910. Hopkins 1963.

Cameron 1976: 156.
Demisch 1977: 64, 67, 72.
Immerwahr 1990: 96-98.

Marinatos 1993: 53-54, 106-109.

Hood 2005: 65 nr. 8. Zouzoula 2007: 271-272.

Hitchcock 2010.

Morgan 2010: 304, 307.

CAT.NR. AEG. 26 –

GODDESS IN CHARIOT DRAWN BY GRIFFINS

TYPE: Artefact/Larnax

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Hagia Triada/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC

Late Minoan

DESCRIPTION:

On one side of this *larnax* is a goddess sitting in a chariot that is drawn by a pair of winged griffins (hawk-headed sphinx). The other woman can also be a goddess but it is assumed that she is a deceased woman. Other scenes depict a procession, libation, offerings.

This image is the third on which a griffin is pulling a chariot. Another example of this can be seen on Cat.Nr. Aeg. 29: Pictorial Style Vase.

The iconography of this *larnax* is unique in that it is the only Minoan one that is made of limestone, and also the only one that shows elaborate funeral rituals.

The same iconography, however, two women seated in a chariot drawn by two griffins, can be seen on a golden signet ring found in Greece (Antheia) in a tomb and dating to ca. the 16th-15th c. BC (Cat.Nr. Aeg. 23). Cf. 12.4. Goddess/Chariot Drawn by Griffins.

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Painted Limestone

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Size

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L. 137 cm; W. 45 cm

INFORMATION:

Nilsson 1950: 426-443.

Levi 1956. Nauert 1972. Small 1972.

Demisch 1977: 66, 75 + fig. 178. Watrous 1991: 290-291, 293, 302.

Marinatos 1993: 31-36. Dietrich 1997: 27-28, 32.

Hiller 1999.

Laffineur 2001: 390. Walgate 2002.

Burke 2005. Martino 2005.

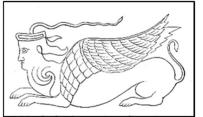
Zouzoula 2007: 269-270.

Chapin 2014: 38-39 + fig. 1.22.

(For more information on Late Minoan larnakes: Watrous 1991.)







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1870,1008.3

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold/Stamped

SIZE

13 x 6,7 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 27 – GOLDEN PLAQUE WITH WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes/Ialysus/Tomb

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/14^{th}$ - 13^{th} c. BC

Mycenaean

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent winged sphinx decorates this gold plaque that was found in a tomb. The sphinx has a spiral on its shoulder.

INFORMATION:

Marshall 1911: nr. 775. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 323. Demisch 1977: 75 + fig. 210.



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42459

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

4,8 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 28 – PYXIS WITH SPHINXES

TYPE: Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Greece/Thebes/Chamber Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th-13th c. BC

Late Helladic III

DESCRIPTION:

A nice ivory vessel, probably used in religious rituals, showing 2 standing winged sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 144 Cat. 83.





MUSEUM LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1897,0401.927 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Pictorial Style/ Wheel-made, painted

24,2 x 27,1 cm

CAT.Nr. AEG. 29 – PICTORIAL STYLE VASE

TYPE: Pottery/Vase

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Two confronted sphinxes flanking a Sacred Tree; the hind legs of each sphinx are those of a bull.

Side B: Pair of winged griffins facing each other, a Sacred Tree in the centre; one of them pulls a chariot with a charioteer and a passenger

INFORMATION:

Murray, Smith a.o. 1900: 7-8, 45, figs. 14, 71.

Demisch 1977: 66, 71 + figs. 198-199.

Cook 1979: 18 + fig. 13a.

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 101-102 + fig. 7.

(More information about the Mycenaean Pictorial Vase Painting:

Vermeule and Karageorghis 1982.)



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1897,0401.928

32,2 x 33,8 cm

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Pictorial Style/
Wheel-made, pierced, painted
SIZE

CAT.NR. AEG. 30 – PICTORIAL STYLE KRATER

TYPE: Pottery/Krater

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC **Late Helladic III B**

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Pair of partially preserved sphinxes, a dog and palms.

Side B: A row of four men flanked by plants, two are carrying bows and two are perhaps boxers.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.

(More information about the Mycenaean Pictorial Vase Painting:

Vermeule and Karageorghis 1982.)



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. AEG. 31 – PAIR OF RECUMBENT SPHINXES ON SHRINE

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Pylos/Shrine

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th c. BC **Late Bronze II**

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of recumbent winged sphinxes with spiral on their breast decorating

a shrine.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 68 + fig. 185.

CAT.NR. AEG. 32 –
GODDESS FLANKED BY GRIFFINS AND GENII

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Thebes

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Thebes

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/13^{th}$ c. BC

Late Bronze II

DESCRIPTION:

An enthroned goddess flanked by two Minoan Genii, each holding a

libation-jug, and two griffins keeping guard.

INFORMATION:

Rehak 1995a: 223-224 + 231 nr. 74.

Rehak 1995b: 103, 105. Younger 1995a: 179 nr. 162.

Zouzoula 2007: 273.

Aravantinos 2010: 94 top middle.





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TH Wu 50; TH Museum 8819
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE





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1897,0401.1126

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory/Carved

SIZE

6,5 x 4,8 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 33 – BOX PROCESSION WITH SPHINX AND MEN

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi/Tomb 75

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/13th-11th c. BC/1250-1050 BC Late Cypriot II C (?)/Late Cypriot III (?)

DESCRIPTION:

A procession with 3 figures, one (a priest?) leading a striding winged sphinx, another one carrying a child on his shoulders. The sphinx is of the typical Cretan-Mycenaean type.

INFORMATION:

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 330. Demisch 1977: 71 + fig. 196. Metzger 1985: 270, nr. 1512.



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STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 34 cm

CAT.NR. AEG. 34 –
PAIRS OF WINGED SPHINXES DECORATING CULT-WAGON

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Enkomi

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/11th-10th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Cult-wagon decorated on 4 sides with pairs of winged standing sphinxes. This object shows a combination of Syrian tradition and Aegean-Mycenaean influences.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 70-71 + fig. 195.

Miscellaneous



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74.51.4313

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite (black-grey) SIZE 2,11 cm CAT.NR. AEG. 35 – WINGED SPHINX AND LION FLANKING DEER

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Ayia Paraskevi (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/14th c. BC Late Bronze/Late Cypriot II

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx and a lion over an antelope.

INFORMATION:

Di Cesnola 1903: pl. CXIX, 8.

Myres 1914: no. 4313. Porada 1948: no. 21.

Karageorghis 2000: 66, no. 104.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

CAT.NR. AEG. 36 – ALABASTRON TWO GRIFFINS WITH NEST

TYPE: Pottery/Alabastron

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Euboea/Lefkandi

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/12th-11th c. BC/ca. 1100 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged griffins (hawk-head) flanking a nest containing two little birds decorates an Alabastron, a vase usually used to contain perfume. According to Zouzoula, the griffins are feeding their babies.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 69 + fig. 188.

Zouzoula 2007: 14.

PART 3 – STUDY MATERIAL SYRO-MESOPOTAMIA & LEVANT

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SYRO-MESOPOTAMIA & LEVANT

Preceding 1600 BC





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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Lapis lazuli SIZE 3,6 x 2.3 cm ST.M. NR. MES. 1 -

Striding Bearded Sphinx with Animals and Bird-Man

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/South-east Iraq/Ur

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/ca. 2550-2340 BC **Early Dynastic**

DESCRIPTION:

This mythological scene shows in the upper region two human-headed bulls, of which the left one is attacked by a lion-headed eagle, above the back of the one on the right side hovers a lion-dragon. On the right side of the scene is a deer. Between the two bulls is a mountain out of which sprout flowers.

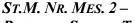
The imagery in the lower region shows, according to some authors, a scene from the myth of the Sun-god in his God-Boat. A striding bearded human-headed lion is walking before a Bird-man who holds a trident; other motifs are the plough, that is often present in the myth of the Sun-god in his God-Boat, a recumbent cow or bull that is attacked by a lion. Also present is the moon-crescent, some stars, and a monkey sitting on a mountain playing the flute. Out of this mountain grows a tree with two trunks.

INFORMATION:

Frankfort 1936/1937: 107. Amiet 1961: Pl. 106 nr. 1402. Orthmann 1975 (ed.): 232 nr. 132a. Demisch 1977: 41, 43 + fig. 93.

Zouzoula 2007: 92.

Hempelmann 2004: fig. 20.



BEARDED SPHINX TAKEN BY TAIL AND BEARD

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC

Akkadian



PARIS - MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

AO 10920

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

 $4,3 \times 2,8 \text{ cm}$



Lower register: A standing bearded sphinx is taken by the tail and the beard by two men. Before the head of the sphinx a moon crescent and a sun-disc. Behind them the Anzû-bird holds two animals (?) by their tails.

Upper Register: Among others: a winged bull is held by a sitting man; a relatively large man (god?) is sitting on a throne.

The scene perhaps shows a god with all his attendants, of whom some seem to have momentarily have forgotten they are subdued to the power of the god.

INFORMATION:

Amiet 1961: Pl. 106 nr. 1404. Demisch 1977: 45 + fig. 101. Hempelmann 2004: 32-33 + fig. 40.

ST.M. NR. MES. 3 –

BEARDED SPHINX WITH BOAT AND CHARIOT

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC **Akkadian**

DESCRIPTION:

Upper section: Sphinx walking before the Sun-god sitting in his

boat. (Ward calls the creature a lion)

Lower section: A chariot drawn by a mammal and followed by a dog

and three armed men/warriors.

INFORMATION:

Ward 1910: 42 + fig. 108. Hempelmann 2004: fig. 45.

ST.M. NR. MES. 4 -

BEARDED SPHINX WITH SCORPION AND DEER

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC

Akkadian

DESCRIPTION:

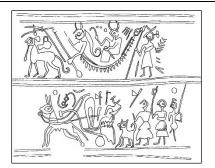
Lower register: A striding bearded sphinx with a flat headdress is

accompanied by a scorpion, a bird (?) and a trident.

Upper register: Pair of recumbent deer flanking a sort of building.

INFORMATION:

Hempelmann 2004: fig. 63.



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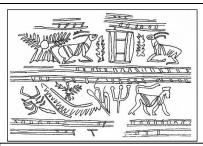
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

5,1 x 1,77 cm



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ROYAL ONTARIO MUSEUM

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

5,02 x 1,96 cm



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MUSEUM OF SCIENCE

MUSEUM NUMBER

C13150

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Stone

SIZE

 $2,2 \times 1,4 \text{ cm}$

ST.M. NR. MES. 5 -STRIDING BEARDED SPHINX WITH BOAT SUN-GOD

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: ????

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC

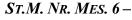
Akkadian

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx is walking before the Sun-god sitting in his boat.

INFORMATION:

Hempelmann 2004: fig. 68.



BEARDED SPHINX STRIDING BEHIND BOAT SUN-GOD

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Tell Asmar (Eshnunna)

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC

Akkadian

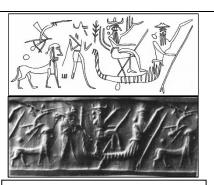
DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx, accompanied by a man, is walking behind the

Sun-god sitting in his boat.

INFORMATION:

Hempelmann 2004: fig. 69.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

 $3,2 \times 2,2 \text{ cm}$



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Marble

SIZE

2,2 x 1,6 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 7-

STRIDING SPHINX WITH BOAT SUN-GOD

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC

Akkadian

DESCRIPTION:

A sphinx is walking before the Sun-god sitting in his boat.

INFORMATION:

Hempelmann 2004: fig. 38.



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NBC 9119

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Limestone (brown)

SIZE

2,8 x 1,7 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 8 -STRIDING BEARDED SPHINX WITH BOAT SUN-GOD

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC

Akkadian

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx is walking before the Sun-god sitting in his boat. Behind the boat flies a bird.

INFORMATION:

Hempelmann 2004: fig. 16.

ST.M. NR. MES. 9 -

STANDING BEARDED SPHINX WITH SUN-GOD IN BOAT

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Tell Asmar (Eshnunna)

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC

Akkadian

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx wearing a neck-collar and a cap is standing before the Sun-god sitting in his boat; in the surrounding water, some fish are swimming.

At the left (on the photo) stands a Goddess of Fertility or Vegetation, probably as a symbol of the earthly world. She can be identified by the twigs in her hands.

This seal could be the one of the oldest depictions of the relation there existed between the Syro-Mesopotamian sphinx and the sun (cf. Sun-god).

INFORMATION:

Frankfort 1934: 19 + pl. IIIf.

Frankfort 1954: 90-91 + fig. 96 b. Amiet 1961: Pl. 113 nr. 1505.

Demisch 1977: 45 + fig. 99.

Hempelmann 2004: fig. 73.

Gräff and Ritter 2011: 57 + fig. 5.





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CHICAGO -

ORIENTAL INSTITUTE

MUSEUM NUMBER

A 11396

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

3,7 x 2,1 cm



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IM 11497

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. MES. 10 – SPHINX DRIVEN BY STICK

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-21st c. BC/2350-2000 BC **Akkadian**

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx is driven by a man with a stick wearing a horned crown in front of the Sun-god sitting in his boat.

INFORMATION:

Amiet 1961: Pl. 113 nr. 1506. Demisch 1977: 45 + fig. 100. Mayer-Opificius 2002: 370 + fig. 2.

Hempelmann 2004: fig. 72.

Gräff and Ritter 2011: 56-57 + fig. 4.





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1966,0218.23

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Serpentine (black)

Size

4,05 x 2,61 cm

ST.M. Nr. MES. 11 -

STRIDING BEARDED SPHINX WITH SUN-GOD AND

ANIMALS

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/23rd c. BC/2300-2200 BC

Akkadian

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx leads a procession with two bird-men carrying vegetation in their hand (Vegetation-gods), followed by the Sun-god Shamash sitting in his boat. As usual, the bow of the boat is formed by a bearded god, the stern ends in an animal head.

INFORMATION:

Amiet 1961: Pl. 113 nr. 1504. Collon 1982: 76 + Pl. XXI nr. 145. Hempelmann 2004: fig. 71. Gräff and Ritter 2011: 57 + fig. 6.



MUSEUM LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1980,1214.12232 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite/Bronze SIZE 3,8 x 3,9 x 1,9 cm



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PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Clay SIZE 6 cm



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PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
MUSEUM NUMBER
AO 22350
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Mes. 12 – FINGER-RING RECUMBENT SPHINX WITH MAN

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: ????

FIND SPOT: Israel/Lachish/Tomb 0119

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/23rd c. BC/2300-2200 BC **Middle Bronze**

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx and a standing man in Egyptian style. Reverse: hieroglyphs between two *Uraei*.

INFORMATION:

Tufnell 1958: pl. 30.29, pl. 31.29.

ST.M. NR. MES. 13 –
STANDING HUMAN-HEADED LION

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Elam

Date/Period: 3rd Mill. BC/23rd-21st c. BC/2250-2000 BC **Akkadian**

DESCRIPTION:

A very crude figure of a composite creature, a lion-body with a human-head.

With this image, one can ask the question whether it really is a sphinx. As nothing of location or context is known, it is difficult to interpret this image correctly.

Cf. 3.2.4. Human-headed Lions.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 44-45 + fig. 98.

St.M. Nr. Mes. 14 – Master of Animals Holds Sphinxes Upside Down

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC
Old Syrian

DESCRIPTION:

A winged genius as Master of Animals holds two winged sphinxes upside down.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: fig. 167.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Mes. 15 – PAIR OF SPHINXES WITH SACRED TREE ON BACK

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC **Old Syrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Cylinder seal impression with a pair of sphinxes with leaves on their head and a Sacred Tree that seems to grow out of their back. To the left and the right of the pair stand two men of which one seems to be a priest.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 51 + fig. 118.

ST.M. NR. MES. 16 -

Animal Combat with Sphinx on Snake, Lions and Goats

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Ugarit

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC (early) **Old Syrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx, standing on a snake; lions and goats fighting.

INFORMATION:

Aruz, Benzel and Evans 2008: 395 Cat.Nr. 247.

Aruz 2015: 48 + fig. 13.



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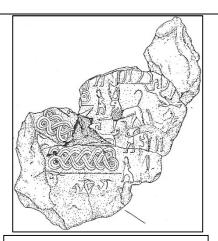
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

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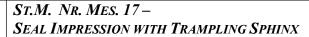
SIZE

1,19 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Clay SIZE



TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal (Drawing)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syria/Qatna

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Qatna/Palace/Room K

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/2000-1800 BC **Old Syrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A trampling wingless sphinx, most probably representing the king, wears the Egyptian double crown.

This seal is always being compared with the Seal of I'aus Addu, ruler of Buzuran, a kingdom near Mari (St.M. Nr. Mes. 19).

INFORMATION:

Aruz 2015: 47 + fig. 11.



St.M. Nr. Mes. 18 -SPHINX TRAMPLING SERPENTS

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/19th c. BC **Old Syrian**

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Hematite

SIZE

2,2 x 1,1 cm

DESCRIPTION:

A sphinx trampling serpents; two kneeling heroes flanking a bearded god; Horus and monkeys, and an ibex-demon.

INFORMATION:

Moore and Eisen 1940: nr. 134.

Porada 1977: 5-6 + fig. 6.



St.M. Nr. Mes. 19 -SEAL OF I'AUS ADDU

TYPE: Cylinder Seal/Impression(Drawing)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Buzuran

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/19th-18th C; BC/1820-1740 BC **Old Syrian**

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

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Obsidian SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

Unusual for this Syrian seal is that the ruler is represented by a (trampling) sphinx (cf. St.M. Nr. Mes. 17: Seal Impression with Trampling Sphinx; both seals are often compared with each other).

The seal shows a mixture of Levantine motifs (e.g. the pot the standing royal figure is holding in his left hand) and Egyptian motifs (e.g. trampling sphinx, *ankh*, lotus-flowers, *was*-sceptre).

INFORMATION:

Teissier 1995: 26 nr. 136. Aruz 2015: 47 + fig. 12.

ST.M. NR. MES. 20 -

DEITY, STAG, WORSHIPPER, SPHINXES, BULL, AND LEAPER

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/19th-18th c. BC/1820-1730 BC **Old Syrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of confronting seated winged sphinxes behind a scene with a deity with a rearing stag and a worshipper before him. Beneath the sphinxes a guilloche and in the bottom register perhaps a bull-leaper and a bull.

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Annual Report 2000: 9.

St.M. Nr. Mes. 21 – Royal Worshipper Before a God

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/19^{th}$ - 18^{th} c. BC/1820-1730 BC **Old Syrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A royal worshipper stands before a god sitting on a throne with lion legs that stands on two recumbent bull-sphinxes; above are depicted human-headed bulls.

The seal exhibits an unusual iconography: a god seated above human-headed bulls. The type of throne is known from actual contemporary remains in wood and ivory from both Egypt and Anatolia.

The smaller images include a sphinx wearing an Egyptian crown, and an *ankh*, the Egyptian symbol for life.

INFORMATION:

Aruz, Arnold a.o.1992: fig. p. 6.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1999.325.133

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Hematite *SIZE*

2,4 x 1,2 cm



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NEW YORK – METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

1991.368.5

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Hematite

SIZE

1,9 x 1,2 cm



PARIS - MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

AO 19826

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Painted SIZE

175 x 250 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 22 – Investiture Zimri-Lim

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syria/Mari/Palace Zimri-Lim/Court 106

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/18^{th}$ c. BC

Amorite

DESCRIPTION:

The king Zimri-Lim honours the goddess Ishtar, who gives him the sceptre and staff. The water and plants that are represented are a symbol of the fertility the king will bring to his people. On the left and the right stands a goddess speaking in favour of the king.

This scene is protected by 2 winged sphinxes (upper register), 2 human-headed bulls (bottom register) and 2 griffins (middle register). The sphinx is one of the earliest known winged sphinxes from Syro-Mesopotamia.

Sphinxes, griffins and bull-sphinxes stand facing each other, as do the sphinxes in the Egyptian Dromos.

The sphinxes function here without a doubt in a ritual context. The tail of the griffins is rolled up and encircles a rosette, a known Sunsymbol (in Egypt also the rosette is a symbol of the sun) (cf. LVI. Different Symbols, Signs and Motifs).

Cf. 12.1. Investiture Zimri-Lim.

INFORMATION:

Parrot 1937: 335-346 + Pl. XXXIX.

Dessenne 1957a: 33-34, 46.

Parrot 1959.

Demisch 1977: 46 + fig. 106.

Gates 1984: 75-76.

Metzger 1985: 264, nrs. 1420, 1422.

Crowley 1998: 174.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 29. Gräff and Ritter 2011: 57-58 + fig. 7.

Von Rüden 2013: 57.



MARI OFFERING SCENES CHAPEL INANNA

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syria/Mari/Palace Zimri-Lim/Room 132

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 18^{th} c. BC

Amorite

DESCRIPTION:

This mural consists out of five registers in total, the top two showing libation and offering scenes (once to Sin, the Moon-god, the other to Ishtar). These cult scenes are framed by two winged (bearded?) sphinxes.

In the other registers, amongst others, a fisherman gathering his catch and a soldier fighting.



LOCATION
MARI/PALACE/ROOM 132
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Painted
SIZE
2,8 x 3,35 m

Margueron 1995: 890-891. Margueron 2008: 29. ST.M. NR. MES. 24 -

INFORMATION: Gates 1984: 75.



MUSEUM

PARIS - MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

AO 22364

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Hematite

SIZE

2 cm



TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

ROYAL WORSHIPPER BEFORE BIRD-HEADED GOD

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th c. BC

Old Syrian

DESCRIPTION:

A king adoring a bird-headed god, behind the god among others

some rabbits and a recumbent sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Paris Musée du Louvre.

ST.M. NR. MES. 25 -

PAIR OF SEATED WINGED SPHINXES WITH ROYAL **FIGURES**

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Israel/Levant

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th-17th c. BC/1720-1650 BC **Old Syrian**

DESCRIPTION: Cylinder seal with pair of seated winged sphinxes next to royal

figures flanking a standard.

INFORMATION:

Eisen 1940: 61-62, no. 153. Williams-Forte 1976: no. 12.

Collon 1981: 33-43, fig. 1, no. 15.

Imay 1983: no. 151.

RELATED:

Presentation Seal with Griffin and Lion, 1800-1700 BC, Cylinder Seal, Hematite, 1,8 x 1,1 cm, Syria, Jerusalem, Bible Lands Museum, BLMJSeal 568.

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 103, nr. 57.

Seal with Gods and Winged Sphinxes, ca. 1720-1650 BC, Cylinder Seal, Hematite, 2,12 x 1,07 cm, Syria, Jerusalem, Bible Lands Museum, BLMJSeal 587.

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 131, nr. 90.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1991.368.6

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Hematite

SIZE

2,75 x 1,3 cm



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JERUSALEM –
BIBLE LANDS MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
BLMJSeal 561
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Hematite

2,1 x 1,2 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 26 –
SEAL WITH PRESENTATION SCENE AND MYTHICAL
CREATURES

TYPE: Cylinder Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syria

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/ca. 1800-1600 BC
Old Syrian

DESCRIPTION:

According to Westenholz the seal depicts one god and one goddess (with the locks of *Lahmu*, the "Hairy One", a protective god) and a man carrying a sacrifice. Behind the goddess (and before the sacrificing man) two pairs of fantastic creatures: a pair of winged sphinxes, a griffin and a lion-serpent. I, however, think, there is only one deity, male, seated on a stool resting with his feet on a podium, and a royal worshipper receiving a small bottle or jar given to him by the god. Behind the royal worshipper stands a man holding a sacrificial animal, perhaps a goat, while before him, and thus behind the seated god, there are other gifts the god may give the king in return to the sacrifice.

INFORMATION:

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 129 nr. 88.

RELATED:

- Seal with Worshipping Scene and Sphinxes and Lions, ca. 1800-1600 BC, Old Syrian, Cylinder Seal, Hematite, 2,7 x 1,7 cm, Syria, Jerusalem, Bible Lands Museum, BLMJSeal 559.

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 130 nr. 89.

ST.M. NR. MES. 27-

SCARAB RECUMBENT WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Israel/Tell el-Ajjul

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/17th-16th c. BC/1700-1550 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx with two Uraei, one on its back, one in front.

INFORMATION:

Petrie 1930: Pl. 7, 233. Giveon 1985: 82 nr. 63.



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1971,1214.4
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Steatite/Glazed

1,7 x 1,2 x 8 cm



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1912,1012.34
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Steatite/Glazed

SIZE 1,7 x 1,2 x 7 cm

ST.M. Nr. MES. 28 – SCARAB STANDING /STRIDING SPHINX

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Israel/Gezer

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/17th-16th c. BC/1700-1550 BC

Hyksos

DESCRIPTION:

A striding sphinx looking at a *Uraeus*.

INFORMATION:

Giveon 1985: 116 nr. 18.



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ISRAEL
ANTIQUITIES AUTHORITY
MUSEUM NUMBER
IAA 33.1721
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Carnelian
SIZE
2 x 3 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 29 – SPHINX AMULET

TYPE: Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Canaan

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Israel/Canaan/Tell el-Ajjul

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 17^{th} - 16^{th} c. BC/ca. 1670-1550 BC

Hyksos

DESCRIPTION: Although this sphinx shows the iconography of a typical Egyptian sphinx (without wings), workmanship suggests it was locally made. The amulet was found nearby the palace of the largest Hyksos city in southern Canaan.

A very similar sphinx-amulet was found in Nubia (Kerma) (St.M.

Nr. Eg. 10).

INFORMATION:

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 132 nr. 91.

PART 3 – STUDY MATERIAL SYRO-MESOPOTAMIA & LEVANT

After 800 BC



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1869,0619.1
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Stone (black)/Carved SIZE 8,9 x 4,4 cm



MUSEUM

NEW YORK – METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART MUSEUM NUMBER

53.120.1-.2

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze/Hammered SIZE

12,4 cm

ST.M. Nr. MES. 30 – KOHL CONTAINER SPHINX AND LION

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Turkey/Şanliurfa (Edessa)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC Neo-Assyrian/Neo-Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

Stone container for eye-paint with one figure seated on a throne and one standing figure; below two figures on a bed. On the other side a

sphinx and a lion.

INFORMATION:

Searight, Reade and Finkel 2008: 76, fig. 50.

Muscarella 1995: 2-5 + fig. 4.

St.M. Nr. Mes. 31 – Plaques in the Form of Sphinxes

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Assyria/Nimrud

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC **Iron Age II**/Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of striding winged sphinxes, probably used as furniture- or wall-

ornament.

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin 1954: 17.

Young 1967: pl. XX. Muscarella 1983: no. 10.

Porter 1986: no. 7.

Muscarella 1988: 365, no. 493.

Benzel, Graff, Racik and Watts 2010: 94-95 + fig. 22.



St.M. Nr. Mes. 32 – **IVORY WINGED SPHINX**

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria FIND SPOT: Syria/Northern Syria/Arslan Tash

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th c. BC Iron Age II/Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Part of a striding winged sphinx, presumably meant as ornament for

furniture.

INFORMATION:

Wilkinson 1960: fig. 23.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory SIZE 12 cm



ST.M. NR. MES. 33 -OPENWORK PLAQUE WITH STRIDING WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC

Iron Age II/Neo-Assyrian

MUSEUM DESCRIPTION:

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MUSEUM NUMBER

60.145.9

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Shell

SIZE

5,59 x 6,3 cm

A striding winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Gubel 1998: 629, 631, pl. 1.1.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. NR. MES. 34 -STANDING/STRIDING WINGED BULL-SPHINX

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Iraq/Khorsabad (Dar Sharrukin)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A composite creature with a human-head and a bull-body; the bullsphinx is winged and is depicted in a standing position wearing a high horned crown.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 57 + fig. 137. Wicke 2008: Tafel 21a.



ST.M. NR. MES. 35 -NAKED GODDESS WITH PAIR OF SPHINXES

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syria/Ugarit/Royal Palace/Pav. 86

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC Iron Age II/Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of seated winged sphinxes flank a standing naked goddess.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 57 + fig. 142.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 407 + fig. 127.



MUSEUM DAMASCUS -NATIONAL MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER RS 16.404, 7360 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ivory SIZE



ST.M. NR. MES. 36 -PLAOUE RECUMBENT SPHINX WITH OUTSPREAD WINGS

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Syria/Nimrud (Kalhu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC Iron Age II/Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx that holds its wings completely outstretched.

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

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Ivory SIZE 7 cm

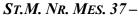
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35 cm



Frankfort 1954: 315 + fig. 372. Demisch 1977: 60 + fig. 152.

Frankfort 1989: 314-315 + fig. 372 (right). Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 103 + fig. 9.



BOWL WITH VICTORIOUS SPHINXES

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Phoenicia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Phoenicia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC

Phoenician



A typical product of Phoenician workmanship: the sphinxes have their wings widely extended, one wing in front and one to the back, while their headgear resembles the Egyptian White Crown. They are all trampling an enemy.

INFORMATION:

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 138 nr. 98.



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PRIVATE COLLECTION
SCHLOMO & ALIZA
MOUSSAIEFF
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze, Gold, Silver SIZE 18,7 x 0.3 cm



MUSEUM
CHICAGO –
ORIENTAL INSTITUTE
MUSEUM NUMBER
OIM A7369
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Gypsum (?)/Relief
SIZE

493,5 x 491,4 cm

ST.M. Nr. MES. 38 – KHORSABAD ALADLAMMŪ

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: North Iraq/Khorsabad (Dur Sharrukin)/Palace

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC/712-705 BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

Creature composed of the body of a bull and a bearded head wearing the horned cap and the wings of a bird of prey.

INFORMATION:

Frankfort 1954: 148-149, 154 + figs. 168, 178.

Demisch 1977: 54, 56 + figs. 129-130.

Frankfort 1989: 148-149, 154 + figs. 168, 178.

Ritter 2011: 67-68 + fig. 1.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

AO 20530

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze

Size

18 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 39— HORSE BIT WITH STANDING WINGED HORNED SPHINX

TYPE: Artefact/Equestrian

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Luristan

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Iron Age II

DESCRIPTION:

A horse bit in the shape of a horned winged sphinx; the wings end in

an animal-head.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 52 + fig. 124.



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BERLIN-

STAATLICHEN MUSEEN

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze

SIZE

11,2 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 40 – Standing Winged Horned Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Equestrian

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Luristan

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Iron Age II

DESCRIPTION:

Horse bit in the shape of a standing horned winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 52 + fig. 122.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1999.81

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Shell (Tridacna squamosal)

SIZE

7 x 3,8 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1905,1014.2

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Chalcedony

SIZE

3,6 x 1,6 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 41 –

SHELL ENGRAVED WITH WINGED FEMALE DEITY, SPHINXES AND LOTUS PLANTS

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Israel/Levant

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Iron Age II

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes flanking a winged female deity; surrounded by

lotus-plants.

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Annual Report 1999: 9.

St.M. Nr. Mes. 42 –

WINGED GENIUSES STEP ON SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Late Babylonian

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged bearded male figures (heroes or gods) are holding an eagle in one hand and a sword in the other; they each rest one foot on a

crouching winged sphinx between them.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: figs. 63, 166.

Collon 1987: 371.

Wiseman, Forman a.o. 1959: Pl. 71.

Collon 2001: 168-169 + Pl. XXVII nr. 327, Pl. XXXVI nr. 327.

ST.M. NR. MES. 43 -

MASTER OF ANIMALS WITH PAIR OF SPHINXES

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A male figure, Master of Animals, stands between two raised winged

sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 40, 56, 62-63 + fig. 163.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Siliceous Stone

SIZE

3,3 x 1,6 cm



MUSEUM LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1966,1217.8 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Glass/Painted, cast, bevelled SIZE 3,2 x 4,2 x 0,3 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 44 – Plaque with Striding Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)/Fort Shalmaneser

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged male (egyptianizing) sphinx walking towards a lotus-bud; the sphinx wears a wig surmounted by a *Uraeus* and a sun-disc. Before it a second *Uraeus* and sun-disc.

INFORMATION:

Orchard 1978: 2-5 + Pl. Ic.

RELATED:

- Plaque with Striding Winged Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 8th-7th c. BC, Neo-Assyrian, Plaque, Glass, 3,2 x 4,2 x 0,3 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, Nimrud (Kalhu), Fort Shalmaneser, London, British Museum, ND. 7,639.

Orchard 1978: 2-7, 9-12 + fig. 1 + Pl. Id.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

54.117.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

10,49 x 18,59 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 45 – Horse Blinker with Seated Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Equestrian

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC **Neo-Assyrian**

DESCRIPTION:

A seated winged sphinx with *Uraeus* and sun-disc encircled by a *Uraeus*-snake on its head. This is a typical Egyptian sphinx. The symbol of the sun-disc is used in Egypt only for gods. It is possible that this sphinx depicts an Assyrian king.

INFORMATION:

Lines 1955: 236, 238 + fig. p. 239. Demisch 1977: 49 + fig. 114 b. Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 107 + fig. 19.



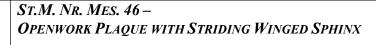
BAGHDAD - NATIONAL MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

Nr. 61882

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory, gold SIZE

19 x 15 cm



TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Nimrud (Kalhu)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A striding winged sphinx wearing the Egyptian Nemes headdress, the Atef crown and a Uraeus. The lotus and papyrus also refer to Egypt. The tail, wings and the posture of the sphinx (looking to the side), however, are typical for the Near Eastern imagery.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 49 + fig. 114 a.

Cameron 1979: 182.

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 107 + fig. 18.

ST.M. NR. MES. 47 –

PLAQUE WINGED CREATURES APPROACHING STYLIZED TREE

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Iran/North-western Iran/Ziwiye

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Iron Age III



MUSEUM NUMBER

54.3.5 and 62.78.1 a, b

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

21.2 cm

DESCRIPTION:

This plaque was possibly once attached to the garment of a young prince or a wealthy lord.

Five registers (two more are now in the Archaeological Museum in Teheran); in the centre of each register: a stylized tree with lotus-flowers, pine cones and pomegranates; on both sides of the Tree three winged composite creatures; in the first and third register sphinxes. In the second register a sphinx, winged lions and an ibex.

In the fourth register winged ram-sphinxes, at the bottom winged lions with bull horns.

This artefact attests of the high status the Sacred Tree had in the Near East.

INFORMATION:

Kantor 1960.

Demisch 1977: 44, 49 + fig. 115.Kendall 1977: 54 + fig. 19.

RELATED:

Bowl Engraved with Striding Sphinxes and Griffins, 1st Mill. BC, 8th-7th c. BC, Artefact, Silver, 22 x 5,2 cm, Syria (?), Jerusalem, Bible Lands Museum, BLMJ970.

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 139 nr. 99.



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Gold

SIZE



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MUSEUM NUMBER

51.131.17

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory SIZE

2,69 x 10,59 cm



TYPE: Artefact/Panel

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Iran/North-western Iran/Ziwiye

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Iron Age III

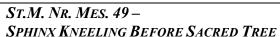
DESCRIPTION:

Two bearded winged sphinxes each touch a rosette with a front paw; they

both look over their shoulder.

INFORMATION:

Wilkinson 1952: 233.



TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/8th-6th c. BC

Elamite

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx kneels down before a Sacred Tree.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.



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65.1418

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

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SIZE

2,65 x 0,11 cm



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1856,1223,1130

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Jasper SIZE

1,8 x 1,3 x 1 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 50 – Scarab Winged Sphinx Decorating God-throne

TYPE: Artefact/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Italy/Sardinia/Tharros/Tomb 18

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-3rd c. BC

Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

A Phoenician God sits on a sphinx-throne, in front of it is an altar. The

sphinx wears an apron and its tail is curled upright.

INFORMATION:

Barnett and Mendleson 1987: 18/15.

Gubel 1987: 44 + cat. 18.



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1996.82.2

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Silver SIZE 2,2 cm St.M. Nr. Mes. 51 – Seal-Ring Two Sphinxes Flanking Tree

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Luristan (?)

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

Iron Age

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes, at least one with a beard, flank a stylized Sacred

Tree.

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Annual Report 1996: 7.

ST.M. Nr. MES. 52 – STRIDING WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant FIND SPOT: Israel/Levant/Edom/Umm el-Biyara

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

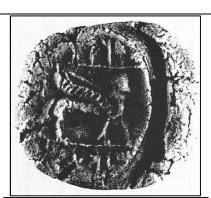
DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx walks to the right; the inscription mentions ruler Kaus-

gabri.

INFORMATION:

Morenz and Bosshard-Nepustil 2003: fig. 51.



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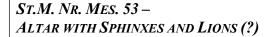
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Clay SIZE



TYPE: Artefact/Furniture

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant

FIND SPOT: Israel/Palestine/Taanak

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

An altar decorated with standing or striding lions and sphinxes. There are three winged sphinxes and two lions; their bodies are depicted in flat relief, their heads, however, are in the round.

On the front side of the altar a Sacred Tree flanked by two male goats. It is not sure if this object is an altar or an oven.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 60-61 + fig. 153.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Alabaster
SIZE

St.M. Nr. Mes. 54 – Pair of Recumbert Sphinxes Flanking Goddess

TYPE: Artefact/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant FIND SPOT: Spain/Galera/Tutugi/Tumulus 20

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC **Phoenician**

1 House

DESCRIPTION:

Two recumbent winged sphinxes decorate a throne of a goddess (cf. 8.4. Sphinx/Griffin/Criosphinx Flanking/Decorating Throne). The (female?) sphinxes seem to have a "saddle-cloth" on their backs.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 57 + fig. 141.

Gubel 1987: 75-80.

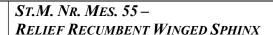
RELATED:

Head of a Sphinx, Part of the Throne of Astarte, 1st Mill. BC, 5th c. BC, ca. 475 BC, Furniture, Figure, Limestone, 40 x 23 x 27 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant, Lebanon, Umm el-Amed (ancient Hammon), Paris, Musée du Louvre, AO 1439 b.
 © Musée du Louvre Paris.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Relief SIZE



TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Nineveh

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx lying down; it wears an Egyptian crown.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 57 + fig. 138.



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N.1076

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Chalcedony (grey)/

Wheel-cut, perforated, drilled

SIZE

2,8 x 1,25 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 56 –
Pair of Sphinxes with Winged Hero

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

Winged hero (four wings) as a Master of Animals in between two raised winged and bearded sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Wiseman, Forman a.o. 1959: Pl. 59.

Collon 2001: 182-183 nr. 364 + Pl. XXXI nr. 364.



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SM.2500
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Limestone
SIZE
9.1 x 8.3 x 3.8 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 57 – Figure Standing Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Architectural Element/Column Base

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Nineveh/Kouyunjik

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC Neo-Assyrian

DESCRIPTION:

A beardless standing winged sphinx wearing a flat horned hat; its legs were restored in the 19th c., probably wrongly, as those of a bull.

INFORMATION:

Curtis, Reade, a.o. 1995: 44. Smith 2000: Pl. opp. p. 174.



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1850,0227.5
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Eggshell (ostrich)/Painted
SIZE

St.M. Nr. Mes. 58 – Vessel/Decorated Egg from Isis Tomb

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia & Levant FIND SPOT: Italy/Vulci/Polledrara Cemetery/Isis Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/625-600 BC **Phoenician/Punic**

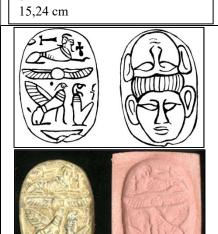
DESCRIPTION:

Four winged sphinxes walking with other animals.

INFORMATION:

Bartoloni et al. 2000: 132 cat. 35.

Swaddling 1986: 397.



St.M. Nr. Mes. 59 – Scarab Recumbent Bearded Sphinx

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/South-western Iran/Susa

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC

Late Period

DESCRIPTION:

Above: a recumbent bearded sphinx with an *ankh* sign; below a falconheaded Horus with sceptre sitting in front of a winged griffin. The two registers are separated by a winged sun-disc.

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1908,0411.86

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Glazed composition

SIZE

2,3 x 1,65 x 8 cm

INFORMATION:

Giveon 1985: 186, nr. 33.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1929.63.3

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Quartz, chalcedony

SIZE

2,95 x 1,45 cm



TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 1st Mill. C/7th-6th c. BC **Neo-Babylonian**

DESCRIPTION:

A hero stands with one foot on a recumbent winged sphinx while he controls a standing winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Collon 2001: 159 nr. 303 + Pl. XXV nr. 303.

Gräff and Ritter 2011: 58 + fig. 9.



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03.1003

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Chalcedony

SIZE

2,2 x 1,5 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 61 – Sphinx and Winged Lion

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC/625-539 BC

Neo-Babylonian

DESCRIPTION:

Seated winged sphinx and winged lion confronting each other.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

RELATED:

 Sphinx and Griffin Seated under Winged Sun-disc, 1st Mill. BC, Achaemenid, Scaraboid, 1,9 cm, Found in Egypt, München, A 1398

Boardman 1970: Pl. 5 fig. 122.

- Sphinx and Horned Winged Lion, 1st Mill. BC, Achaemenid, Scaraboid, Rock crystal, 1,5 cm, Found in Anatolia, Sardis, Istanbul.

Boardman 1970: Pl. 5 fig. 123.

- Sphinx and Winged Lion, 1st Mill. BC, Achaemenid, Scaraboid, Agate, Copenhagen, Nationalmuseet, 1025.

Boardman 1970: 42 nr. 124.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

65.1377

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Carnelian (orange)

SIZE

2 x 1 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 62 – SPHINX ATTACKED BY GRIFFIN

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC/625-539 BC

Neo-Babylonian

DESCRIPTION:

A winged griffin or griffin-demon (?) attacks a winged sphinx; the griffin in its turn is attacked by a winged, crowned centaur with scorpion tail.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

St.M. Nr. Mes. 63 – Sphinx with Tiara

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC/625-539 BC

Neo-Babylonian

DESCRIPTION:

Cylinder seal with a winged striding sphinx wearing a tiara, a palm tree

or Sacred Tree is depicted nearby.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

ST.M. Nr. Mes. 64 – Hero Attacks Sphinx

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC/625-539 BC

Neo-Babylonian

DESCRIPTION:

Sphinx attacked by a hero holding a scimitar.

INFORMATION:

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65.1547

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

2,8 x 1,2 cm



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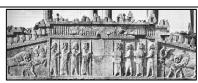
65.1548

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Amethyst/quartz

SIZE

2,6 x 1,2 cm





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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Mes. 65 – Relief Pair of Sphinxes Flanking Winged Sun-disc

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Persia FIND SPOT: Iran/Persia/Persepolis/Apadana Palace

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/ca. 500 BC **Persian**

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of seated winged sphinxes flanking a winged sun-disc decorates a wall of a palace in Persepolis. The sun-disc symbolizes Ahura-Mazda, a god adopted as the Persian royal deity by Darius I (522-486 BC). Behind each sphinx stand 9 Trees of Life; the sun-disc is flanked by 14 small Trees of Life.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 55-56 + fig. 134 a & b.

RELATED:

- Stone Relief with Seated Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 5th c. BC, Achaemenid, Architectural Element, Relief, Limestone, 82 x 75 x 9 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, Iran/, Persia, Persepolis, Palace, London – British Museum, 1938,0110.1/ME 129381. Curtis, Tallis, a.o. 2005: 84 nr. 46.
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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Mes. 66 – Finger-ring Winged Bull-Sphinx

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC

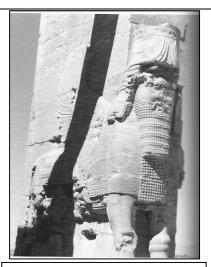
Achaemenid

DESCRIPTION:

A striding winged and bearded bull-sphinx. The ring was part of the socalled Oxus treasure.

INFORMATION:

Ritter 2011: 74 + fig. 12.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Mes. 67 – Persepolis Bull-Sphinx

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Persia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Persia/Iran/Persepolis

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC

Achaemenid

DESCRIPTION:

A standing winged and bearded bull-sphinx guards the entrance of the Gate of all Lands in Persepolis.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 55-56, 62 + fig. 133.

Ritter 2011: 75 + fig. 13.



St.M. Nr. Mes. 68 – Hero Standing on Pair of Sphinxes

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE:

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Persia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC

Achaemenid

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NEW YORK -

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Agate

SIZE

3,2 x 1,5 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Two recumbent winged sphinxes with a hero, the king himself in this case, standing on them, holding a lion in each hand.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: fig. 169.

RELATED:

Two Sphinxes Supporting a Master of Animals, 1st Mill. BC, 6th-4th c. BC, Achaemenid, Cylinder Seal Impression, Chalcedony, 2,7 cm, Syro-Mesopotamia, Berlin, Staatlichen Museen, VA 563

Gräff and Ritter 2011: 65 Cat. 16.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1945,1013.140

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Chalcedony/

Soda-etched, perforated

SIZE

4,7 x 3,5 x 1,6 cm

St.M. Nr. Mes. 69 – Pair of Sphinxes with Lions, Bulls and Winged Lions

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC

Achaemenid

DESCRIPTION:

Below: Two pairs of seated winged creatures: bearded sphinxes and

lions

Above: A pair of lions attacks a bull, a second pair an antelope.

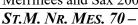
Inscription in Egyptian: "ankh" meaning 'life', "siz" (a textile) meaning

'perception' and "ib" (an animal heart) signifying 'heart'

INFORMATION:

Southesk and Carnegie 1908: nr. Qd 21: 62, 127-129, Pl. IX.

Collon 1987: 108-109, nr. 484. Curtis, Tallis, a.o. 2005: cat. 292. Merrillees and Sax 2005: 85.



MASTER OF ANIMALS WITH PAIR OF BES-HEADED SPHINXES

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iraq/Ur/Tomb

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC

Achaemenid

DESCRIPTION:

A hero holds two winged Bes-headed sphinxes upright by the feathers in

their crown.

INFORMATION:

Curtis, Tallis, a.o. 2005: Cat. 297.





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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Clay SIZE

2,5 x 2,2 cm



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27.653
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Chalcedony
SIZE

ST.M. NR. MES. 71 – PAIR OF SPHINXES

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Persia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC/550-331 BC **Achaemenid**

DESCRIPTION:

Two seated winged and crowned bearded sphinxes facing each other.

INFORMATION:

Boardman 1970: 42 nr. 119.

RELATED:

- Pair of Sphinxes with one paw lifted, 1st Mill. BC, Achaemenid, Scaraboid, Carnelian, 1,9 cm, Found in Ukraine, Kerch, St. Petersburg, Hermitage Museum.

 Boardman 1970: Pl. 1 fig. 5.
- Pair of Seated Sphinxes, 1st Mill. BC, Scaraboid, 1,9 cm, Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale.

Boardman 1970: Pl. 5 fig. 116.

- Pair of Seated Sphinxes, 1st Mill. BC, Achaemenid, Scaraboid, 1,4 cm, Geneva, 65/20272.
 Boardman 1970: Pl. 5 fig. 117.
- Pair of Seated Sphinxes, 1st Mill. BC, Achaemenid, Scaraboid, 1,8 cm, London, WA 115534.
 Boardman 1970: Pl. 5 fig. 118.
- Pair of Seated Sphinxes, 6th-4th c. BC, 550-330 BC, Achaemenid, Scaraboid, Agate, 2,2 cm, Cambridge, Fitzwilliam Museum, ANE.509.2.1954.

Boardman 1970: Pl. 5 fig. 120.

- © Fitzwilliam Museum Cambridge.
- Pair of Seated Sphinxes, 1st Mill. BC, Achaemenid, Scaraboid, Oxford, Ashmolean Museum, 1933-417.
 Boardman 1970: 42 nr. 121.
- Standing Royal Sphinx Faces a Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC; Achaemenid, Scaraboid, 1,5 cm, Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale, M 6560.

Boardman 1970: Pl. 5 fig. 125.



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1906,1110.33

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Chalcedony/Pierced, engraved SIZE

1,5 x 1,6 x 2,3 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 72 – RECUMBENT WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Persia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC/538-331 BC **Achaemenid**

DESCRIPTION:

Stamp seal with a recumbent winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1899,0708.33

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Chalcedony/

Perforated, engraved, drilled

SIZE

2,8 x 2,1 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 73 – MASTER OF ANIMALS HOLDING GRIFFINS

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Persia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC/538-331 BC

Achaemenid

DESCRIPTION:

A crowned hero holds a pair of winged griffins upright; below are two

recumbent, winged, bearded sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Curtis, Tallis, a.o. 2005: Cat. 67, p. 92.

ST.M. NR. MES. 74-SPHINX WITH WING ENDING IN HEAD OF BIRD OF PREY

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE:

FIND SPOT: Afghanistan/Tajikistan/Takht-I Kuwad

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/5th c. BC

Achaemenid

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1897,1231.26

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold/Open-work, appliqué

SIZE

5 cm

DESCRIPTION:

A seated sphinx wearing a cap and a necklace; its wings ending in the head of a bird of prey.

This object is part of the so-called Oxus Treasure.

INFORMATION:

Curtis, Tallis, a.o. 2005: 146, Cat. 186.



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1945,1015.17

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Lapis lazuli/Pierced, Engraved

SIZE

2,5 x 2,5 cm

ST.M. NR. MES. 75 -HERO SLAYING SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal + Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE:

FIND SPOT: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Persia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/5th c. BC

Achaemenid

DESCRIPTION:

Hero holding a sword in one hand and slaying a winged sphinx with the

other.

INFORMATION:

Pinder-Wilson 1971: no. 35.



MUSEUM PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE MUSEUM NUMBER Sb 3324 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Glazed siliceous brick SIZE



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MUSEUM NUMBER
1903,0306.1
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Silver
SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Mes. 76 – Pair of Sphinxes with Winged Sun-disc

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia/Iran/Persia FIND SPOT: Iran/South-western Iran /Susa/Palace

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/5th c. BC

Achaemenid

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged bearded sphinxes seated opposite one another and looking over their shoulder. They have bull's ears with earrings identical to those worn by archers. The sphinxes wear a horned headdress (suggests their divine nature). Above the pair the winged disc of Ahura-Mazda.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 56 + fig 135.

St.M. Nr. Mes. 77 – Coin Seated Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Coin

PRODUCTION PLACE: Syro-Mesopotamia FIND SPOT: Levant/Palestine/Samaria

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/5th-4th c. BC Levantine

DESCRIPTION:

Coin with on one side a striding horse, on the other side sits a winged sphinx with the bearded head of a Persian king.

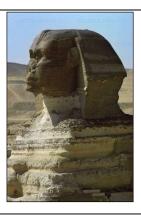
Information: Hill 1914: 180.26.

RELATED:

Coin Winged Sphinx with Persian King's Head, 1st Mill. BC, 5th-4th c. BC, Levantine, Syro-Mesopotamia, Levant, Palestine, Samaria, Coin, Silver, London, British Museum, 1896,0304.5.
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EGYPT

Preceding 1600 BC



LOCATION
GIZA
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Calcite SIZE 20 x 73,5 m.

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 1 – Great Recumbent Sphinx

TYPE: Monument/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Giza

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/ 27th-26th c. BC/ca. 2600 BC **Old Kingdom**/4th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

The prototype of the Egyptian sphinxes: a recumbent sphinx with a beard of the so-called Osiris-type or king's beard and wearing a *Nemes* headdress decorated with a *Uraeus*. It is thought that the sphinx represents king Chephren. The beard that was found with the monument, seems to be added in a later period (New Kingdom). From the 18th Dyn. onwards this sphinx was seen as the representation of the God Harmachis (= Horus-on-the-Horizon). This relation between the sphinx and the Sun-god is explained on the so-called *Dream-stele of Thutmoses IV* (Cat.Nr. Eg. 62).

INFORMATION:

Budge 1893: 14-15, 33-34. Ilberg 1895: 218-219.

Roeder 1909: 1309, 1327-1335.

Unger 1928: 337-339. Meier-Graefe 1929.

Piankoff 1932.

Dessenne 1957a: 14-16 + fig. 2.

Suhr 1970: 99, 103. Lurker 1974: 114-116. Von Geisau 1975: 308. Coche Zivie 1977: 604.

Demisch 1977: 17-21, 34 + figs. 21, 26, 73.

Camuffo 1993.

Carrez-Maratray 1993. Siliotti 1994: 134-137. Wilkinson 1996: 135.

Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 1. Seidlmayer 2001: 816-817.

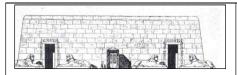
Ziegler 2002: fig. 5. De Putter 2006: 82-84. Sourouzian 2006: 100. Stadelmann 2006: 37-44. Warmenbol 2006: 13-17. Zouzoula 2007: 93-94.

Dubiel 2011: 7, 9-10 + figs. 5-9.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: 149-150.

(Horus-in-the-Horizon: Wilkinson 1996: 135; Warmenbol

2006: 14-16; Zivie-Coche 2006: 60, 63.)



LOCATION

GIZA

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. NR. EG. 2 -

PAIRS OF RECUMBENT SPHINXES DECORATING VALLEY TEMPLE OF CHEPHREN (RECONSTRUCTION)

TYPE: (Reconstruction) Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Giza

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/27th-26th c. BC/ca. 2600 BC **Old Kingdom**/4th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Two pairs of recumbent sphinxes guard the entrances to the valley temple of Chephren. They are standing parallel to the façade of the temple.

INFORMATION:

Kristensen 1917: 121.

Demisch 1977: 18, 23 + fig. 27.

Schmitt 2001: fig. 9. Sourouzian 2006: 101. Warmenbol 2006: 13.

Dubiel 2011: 7.

St.M. Nr. Eg. 3 –

FIGURE OF A FEMALE (?) SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Abu Rawash/Death Temple Djedefre

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/27th-26th c. BC/ca. 2600 BC **Old Kingdom**/4th Dyn.



A recumbent sphinx that could be female (no *Nemes*, no beard and remains of yellow paint on the face); it is possible that this sphinx originally had a lion-mane that later was remodelled. The sphinx has lion-ears.

It is not sure who is represented here: a queen or princess or a goddess, but sometimes it is identified as Queen Hetopherus II, the wife of King Djedefre (4th Dyn.).

This could be the oldest representation of a sphinx in Egypt.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1302, 1319. Dessenne 1957a: 14. Klasens 1975a: 24-25. Demisch 1977: 17 + fig. 23. Sourouzian 2006: 101-102.

Zouzoula 2007: 93.

Dubiel 2011: 7, 14, 16-17 + fig. 20.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: 165 + fig. 7.41.

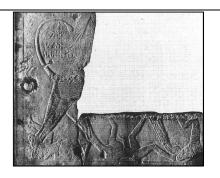


MUSEUM
CAIRO – EGYPTIAN MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
JE35137
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Calcite

SIZE



MUSEUM PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE MUSEUM NUMBER E 12626 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Sandstone/ Sculpted, Painted, Silicified SIZE 33,5 x 28,8 x 26,5 cm



MUSEUM/PLACE
BERLIN –
STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 4 – Head of Sphinx of Djedefre

TYPE: Monument/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Abu Rawash

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/26th c. BC/2565-2558 BC **Old Kingdom**/4th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

The head of a sphinx of pharaoh Djedefre wearing a *Nemes* headdress decorated with a *Uraeus*.

This head was painted yellow and therefore it was long time assumed this was a female sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Dessenne 1957a: p. 14 + fig. 1. Demisch 1977: 17 + fig. 22.

L'art égyptien 1999: 135, 212-213, note 57.

De Putter 2006: 82.

St.M. Nr. Eg. 5 – Griffin (?) Trampling Enemies

TYPE: Architectural element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Abusir/Temple of Sahure

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/26th-25th c. BC/ca. 2500 BC **Old Kingdom**/5th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A lion-bodied creature (a griffin with hawk-head according to Demisch) is standing and trampling on a captive, an enemy.

INFORMATION:

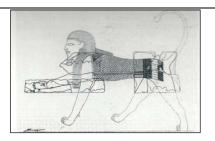
Roeder 1909: 1303, 1310, 1311, 1312, 1320.

Dessenne 1957a: 16.

Demisch 1977: 30 + fig. 63. Metzger 1985= 252, nr. 1240.

Fischer 1987: 17. Zouzoula 2007: 93. Wyatt 2009: 29-30.

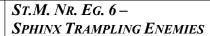
Dubiel 2011: 13 + fig. 15.



LOCATION
SAQQARA/TEMPLE OF PEPI II
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



TYPE: Architectural element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Saqqara/Temple of Pepi II

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/24th-23rd c. BC/ca. 2300 BC **Old Kingdom**/6th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A striding bearded sphinx tramples a captive, an enemy. This relief

was found on the Death-temple of Pepi II.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 21, 30-31, 33 + fig. 64.

Metzger 1985: 252, nr. 1237.

St.M. Nr. Eg. 7 – Sphinx Merenre I Offering

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Heliopolis

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/23rd c. BC/2287-2278 BC **Old Kingdom**/6th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx with the name of Pharaoh Merenre I

who holds a *Nu*-vase in each hand.

INFORMATION:

L'art égyptien 1999: 346-347, Cat.Nr. 172.

Sfinx 2006: 50, 220 Cat. 66. Dubiel 2011: 10 + fig. 10

St.M. Nr. Eg. 8 – Mane sphinx Merenre I

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/period: 3^{rd} Mill. BC/23 rd c. BC/2287-2278 BC

Old Kingdom/6th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx with human-head and lion-body, probably male. The lion-manes are not rendered in the usual way.

INFORMATION:

Dubiel 2011: 14-15 + fig. 18.



MUSEUM EDINBURGH –

NATIONAL MUS. OF SCOTLAND

MUSEUM NUMBER

1984.405

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Schist

SIZE

3,2 x 1,8 x 5,7 cm



Moscow -

PUSHKIN MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 5,7 cm



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1929,1015.494
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold, Electrum/Incised, Glazed

SIZE 1,3 cm



MUSEUM
BOSTON –
MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS
MUSEUM NUMBER
20.1733
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Carnelian

SIZE 2,7 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 9 – Pendant in Shape of Recumbent Sphinx

TYPE: Jewellery/Pendant

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/El Mustagidda/Grave 637

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd Mill. BC/22nd-20th c. BC/2130-1980 BC

First Intermediate

DESCRIPTION:

A small recumbent human-headed sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Andrews and Wilkinson 1981: 331.

Andrews 1994: fig. 62. *Sfinx* 2006: 220 Cat. 67.

St.M. Nr. EG. 10 -

AMULET IN SHAPE OF RECUMBENT SPHINX

TYPE: Jewellery/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt? FIND SPOT: Egypt/Nubia/Kerma

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd-2nd Mill. BC/24th-16th c. BC/2400-1550 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A small recumbent rudely cut sphinx.

A very similar sphinx-amulet was found in the palace area of Tell el-Ajjul, the largest Hyksos city in south Canaan (St.M. Nr. Mes. 29).

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts

RELATED:

- *Albast Sphinx*, 3rd Mill. BC, 26th-22nd c. BC, ca. 2575-2140 BC, Jewellery, Amulet, Albast, 9,4 x 11,8 x 5,7 cm, Egypt, Private Collection.

Sfinx 2006: 234 Cat. 94.



BOSTON -

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

13.3609

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Glazed steatite, gold, electrum/Glazed

SIZE 18,5 cm

St.M. Nr. Eg. 11 – Beaded Collar with Sphinx and Falcon Amulet

TYPE: Jewellery/Necklace/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Naga el-Deir/Sheikh Farag/Tomb SF 43

Date/Period: 3rd-2nd Mill. BC/21st-17th c. BC/2061-1640 BC **Middle Kingdom**/11th-13th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Beaded necklace with amulets in the shape of a sphinx, a falcon,

Heh (personification of infinity) and Wadjit-eyes

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts



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BOSTON -

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

04.1862

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

17 cm

ST.M. NR. EG. 12-

STRING OF BEADS AND SEATED FEMALE SPHINX AMULET

TYPE: Jewellery/Necklace/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/El-Rizeigat

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd-2nd Mill. BC/21st-17th c. BC/2061-1640 BC

Middle Kingdom/11th-13th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Necklace with amulets in the shape of a seated female sphinx, a

falcon, a hippo-head, a scarab and one large monkey.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts



ST.M. NR. EG. 13 –

STRING OF BEADS AND PAIR OF SEATED FEMALE

SPHINXES AMULETS

TYPE: Jewellery/String/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/El-Rizeigat

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd-2nd Mill. BC/ 21st-17th c. BC/2061-1640 BC

Middle Kingdom/11th-13th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

String of beads with amulets: two crouched female sphinxes, one

scaraboid, one monkey and one hippo-head.

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MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

04.1863

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Amazonite

SIZE

10 cm

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts



MUSEUM

BOSTON -

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

25.1508

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Carnelian, Amethyst, Amazonite,

Garnet, Faience, Glass

SIZE

29 cm

St.M. Nr. Eg. 14 – String of Beads and Seated Female Sphinx Amulet

TYPE: Jewellery/Necklace/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Sheikh Farag

DATE/PERIOD: 3rd-2nd Mill. BC/21st-17th c. BC/2061-1640 BC

Middle Kingdom/11th-13th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A necklace with amulets in the shape of a crouched female sphinx,

a hawk and a hippo-head

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts



MUSEUM

NEW YORK -

METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

31.3.64

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Wood

SIZE

ST.M. NR. EG. 15 – RECUMBENT SPHINX FIGURINE

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes/el-Asasif/Tomb 816

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/20th c. BC/1980-1938 BC

Middle Kingdom/11th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A small recumbent sphinx.

INFORMATION:

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.



MUSEUM
PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
MUSEUM NUMBER
AO 13075
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Sandstone
SIZE
58 x 161 x 26 cm



MUSEUM
PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
MUSEUM NUMBER
A 23
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Granite/Sculpted
SIZE
206 x 479 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 16 – Sphinx with Name of Princess Ita

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Syria/Tell el-Mishrife/Temple Nin-Egal

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/20th c. BC/1938-1904 BC **Middle Kingdom**/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent (female?) sphinx, with an inscribed dedication to princess Ita, daughter of pharaoh Amenemhat II:

"La princesse, fille du roi, de son ventre, sa chérie, Ita, maitresse de féauté".

INFORMATION:

Buisson 1928: 16-17, Pl. XXII. *Sfinx* 2006: 290 Cat. 175.

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 17 – Great Sphinx of Tanis

TYPE: Monument/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Tanis/Temple of Amun

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/20th-19th c. BC/ca. 1900 BC **Middle Kingdom**

DESCRIPTION:

Royal recumbent bearded sphinx; successively inscribed with the names of the pharaohs Amenemhat II (12th Dyn., 1929-1895 BC), Merneptah (19th Dyn., 1212-1201 BC) and Shoshenq I (22nd Dyn., 943-922 BC).

INFORMATION:

Ilberg 1895: 219.

Roeder 1909: 1314, 1316. Demisch 1977: 18 + fig. 25.

Cherpion 1991.

De Putter 2006: 82, 84.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: 181-183 + fig. 7.80.



MUSEUM LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1920,0214.11 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE IVORY SIZE 6,1 x 2,9 cm



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1925,0112.73
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Amethyst
SIZE
2,31 x 1,77 x 0,85 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 18 – Ivory Sphinx with captive

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Abydos/Tomb 477

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/20^{th}$ - 19^{th} c. BC/1943-1899 BC **Middle Kingdom**/ 12^{th} Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

The forepart of a sphinx carrying the *Nemes*-headdress decorated with a protective *Uraeus* is holding a captured enemy, probably a Nubian (close-cropped hair and short kilt).

The sphinx possibly represents pharaoh Senwosret I.

Garstang and many other researchers think the sphinx represents a Hyksos king, and the enemy is an Egyptian. (cf. 8.1 Sphinx/Griffin/Criosphinx Trampling....)

INFORMATION:

Garstang 1928.

Schweitzer 1948: Pl. IX, 3.

Dessenne 1957a: 42.

Demisch 1977: 31 + fig. 67.

Bourriau and Quirke 1988: 136-138 + fig. 138.

Pharaonen und Fremde 1994: nr. 362.

Ziegler 2002: 426 Cat. 97.

Petschel, von Falck a.o. 2004: 30-31, Cat Nr.14.

Strudwick 2006: 100-101.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 143 Cat 82. Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.50.

St.M. Nr. Eg. 19 – Amulet Female Sphinx

TYPE: Jewellery/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/20th-17th c. BC/ca. 1980-1630 BC

Middle Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

Amulet in the form of a crouching female sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Andrews 1994: 78-79.

Baum-vom Felde 2000: 155.

Sfinx 2006: 287.

RELATED:

- *Amulet Female Sphinx*, 2nd Mill. BC, 20th-17th c. BC, ca. 1980-1630 BC, Middle Kingdom, Jewellery, Amulet,

Anhydrite, 2 cm, Egypt, London, British Museum, EA 14574.

Sfinx 2006: 287 Cat. 169.

- Amulet Female Sphinx, 2nd Mill. BC, 20th-17th c. BC, ca. 1980-1630 BC, Middle Kingdom, Jewellery, Amulet, Amethyst, 1,3 cm, Egypt, Paris, Musée du Louvre, E 32426.

Sfinx 2006: 287 Cat. 171.



MUSEUM
NEW YORK –
METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART
MUSEUM NUMBER
26.7.52
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Steatite (Blue)/Glazed
SIZE

2 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 20 – Stamp Seal in the Form of a Recumbent Sphinx

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: ????

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/20th-16th c. BC/1980-1539 BC **Middle Kingdom - Second Intermediate**/ 12th-17th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx wearing the Nemes head cloth.

INFORMATION:

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1899,0314.38
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Gold/Punched, Mould-made
SIZE
2,5 x 1,4 x 1 cm

St.M. Nr. Eg. 21 – Amulet in the Form of a Recumbent Sphinx

TYPE: Jewellery/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/20th-13th c. BC/

Middle Kingdom – 2nd Intermediate – New Kingdom

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx with Nemes decorated with a Uraeus.

INFORMATION:

Budge 1922b: 90, Nrs. 176-177. Andrews and Wilkinson 1981: 410.

Andrews 1990: fig. 157 b. Andrews 1994: fig. 48. *Sfinx* 2006: 113, 181-182.

RELATED:

- Amulet in the Form of a Recumbent Sphinx, 2nd Mill. BC, 20th-13th c. BC, Jewellery, Amulet, Gold, 2,5 x 1,4 x 1 cm, Egypt, London, British Museum, 1899,0314.39. © British Museum London.





CAIRO - NATIONAL MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

JE 30875

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold/Turquoise/Carnelian/

Amethyst/Lapis lazuli

SIZE

6,1/7,9 x 8,6/10,5 cm

ST.M. NR. EG. 22 -

PECTORAL MERERET - PAIR OF GRIFFINS TRAMPLING ENEMIES

TYPE: Jewellery/Pectoral

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 19^{th} c. BC/1878-1839 BC

Middle Kingdom/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Two griffins with tall ibis-feathers and ram-horns are standing on top of four captured enemies. The ibis-feathers identify the griffins as the ka of the king. The griffins, with their falcon heads, represent the victorious pharaoh in his cultic role as Horus.

Above them is Nekhbet depicted as a vulture, with in each claw a *shen* (predecessor of the cartouche) that flanks a cartouche that contains the praenomen of Sesostris III.

This pectoral was found in the tomb of queen Mereret.

INFORMATION:

De Morgan 1895: 64, nr. 1. Maspero 1906: 374-375, D.

Roeder 1909: 1302, 1311, 1312, 1336. Frankfort 1936: 110-111 + fig. 11.

Schweitzer 1948: Pl. XV, 6.

Sliwa 1974: 106.

Demisch 1977: 31 + fig. 65. Metzger 1985: 252, nr. 1243. Andrews 1990: 128 + fig. 112.

Robins 1997: 113-114. Warmenbol 2006: 17.

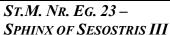
Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 105.

Wyatt 2009: 30.

Morgan 2010: 304, 317.

Dubiel 2011: 13.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.56.



TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes-Karnak

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/19th c. BC/1878-1839 BC **Middle Kingdom**/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx resembling pharaoh Sesostris III and wearing the Nemes surmounted by an *Uraeus*.

On the breast is inscribed the Horus name of the king.

This type of sphinx was also typical of the Old Kingdom (Nemes,

Uraeus and beard).



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METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

17.9.2

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Diorite

Size

73 x 29,3 x 42,5 cm



MUSEUM

LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1974,0722.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Quartzite (brown)

Size

50 x 42 x 107 cm



MUSEUM

CAIRO - NATIONAL MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

JE 15210 CG 394

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Granite (black)

SIZE

140 x 225 cm

INFORMATION:

Steindorff 1940: 48-49 + fig. 4.

Hayes 1946: 122-123.

Aldred 1970: 43, 45, fig. 25-26. Demisch 1977: 22 + fig. 31.

Habachi 1984/1985. Ziegler 2002: 46 fig. 4.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 8.49.

ST.M. Nr. EG. 24 -

HEADLESS RECUMBENT SPHINX OF SENWOSRET III

TYPE: Monument/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/19th c. BC/1878-1839 BC

Middle Kingdom/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This monument of a recumbent sphinx could be identified by the name mentioned in the original cartouche on the breast of the lion-

body: Senwosret III.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 94, 220, 222.

ST.M. NR. EG. 25 -

SPHINX OF AMENEMHAT III

TYPE: Monument/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Tanis/San el-Hagar

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/19th c. BC/ca. 1860-1814 BC

Middle Kingdom/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

The human face looks like it could be a portrait of a real person. The realistic expressive face contrasts with the stylized lion-mane and – ears. The shape of the lion-mane is an imitation of the *Nemes*-headdress. The face is the only human element in this sculpture and so the wild animal aspect is emphasized.

The statue was found in the Temple of Tanis and bears the names of later kings, Apophis I, pharaoh of the 15th Dyn., Ramses II (1279-1213 BC), his son Merenptah (1213-1204 BC), Psusennes I

(1044/43-994/93 BC)

INFORMATION:

Spiegelberg 1903: 35 + Abb. 34. Maspero 1906: 104-105, nr. 272.

Roeder 1909: 1314. Scharff 1931: 32.

Demisch 1977: 22, 24, 34 + fig. 32-33.

Sourouzian 2006: 103.

Dubiel 2011: 14, 28-29 + fig. 17 + Cat. 2.



MUSEUM
CAIRO –
ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Granite (gray) SIZE

MUSEUM NUMBER

88,9 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 26 – Recumbent Sphinx of Amenemhat III

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Bubastis (Tell Basta)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/19th c. BC/ca. 1860-1814 BC **Middle Kingdom**/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx with lion-mane.

INFORMATION:

Habachi 1978: fig. 1 + Pl. XXIII.

Sfinx 2006: 98, 100.

RELATED:

Mane Sphinx Amenemhat III, 2nd Mill. BC, 19th c. BC, ca. 1860-1814 BC, Middle Kingdom, 12th Dyn., Figure, Limestone, 31 x 28,5 x 18 cm, Egypt, Munich, Staatliches Museum Ägyptischer Kunst, ÄS 7132.
 Sfinx 2006: 93, 210 Cat. 53.



MUSEUM
BOSTON –
MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS
MUSEUM NUMBER
88.747

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Diorite

SIZE

170 x 45,8 x 56 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 27 – Headless Sphinx of Amenemhat III

TYPE: Monument/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Tell Nabasha/Temple of Wadjet

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/19th c. BC/1860-1814 BC **Middle Kingdom**/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx, made originally for Amenemhat III, but later inscribed for Setnakht and Ramses III, both belonging to the 20^{th} Dyn.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1951,1008.2
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Obsidian
SIZE
2,8 x 5,2 cm



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1905,1014.118
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Sandstone
SIZE
23,7 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 28 – Figurine Sphinx of Amenemhat III

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/19th c. BC/1860-1814 BC

Middle Kingdom/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A small figurine of a recumbent sphinx with an inscription that mentions pharaoh Amenemhat III (12th Dyn.)

INFORMATION:

Fay 1996: 69 (61).

Sfinx 2006: 92, 208 Cat. 51.

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 29 – Sandstone Figure of a Sphinx

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Lebanon/Sinai/Serabit el-Khadim

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/19th-18th c. BC/ca. 1800 BC

Middle Kingdom/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This recumbent beardless sphinx was found in the temple of a mining settlement at Serabit el-Khadim, where Hathor, 'mistress of turquoise' was worshipped.

On the right shoulder an inscription says: 'beloved of Hathor, mistress of turquoise'. On the left shoulder and base is an inscription written in the Proto-Sinitic script, that is presumably originated in Palestine or Syria. Some words can be recognized, one is the name of the Semitic goddess Baalat, perhaps identified with Hathor.

INFORMATION:

Strudwick 2006: 108-109.



MUSEUM LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1928,0114.1 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gneiss SIZE

38,1 x 20,2 x 58,5 cm



MUSEUM BOSTON -**MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS** MUSEUM NUMBER 2007.256 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite SIZE $1.1 \times 0.7 \times 1.5 \text{ cm}$

ST.M. NR. EG. 30 -SPHINX OF AMENEMHAT IV

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Lebanon/Beirut

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th c. BC/1786-1777 BC Middle Kingdom/12th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

One of the few sculptures associated with pharaoh Amenemhat IV, the last male ruler of the 12th Dyn. The little sphinx wears the Nemes headdress but the head has probably been recut, since it is too small for the body. Examination has revealed it was originally one of the Tanis sphinxes, i.e. with a human-head encircled by a lion's mane. This re-cutting was done much later, in the Late or even the Ptolemaic Period (664-30 BC).

The inscription on the breast reads 'Maatkherure, may he live forever, beloved of Atum, lord of Heliopolis' and seems to suggest that this statue originally stood in a temple in Heliopolis.

INFORMATION:

Hall 1928.

Ward 1994: 66-68.

Fay 1996: 68 (54), Pl. 94 a-b. Strudwick 2006: 88-89.

ST.M. NR. EG. 31 -

FEMALE SPHINX-SHAPED SEAL

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: ????

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th-15th c. BC/1794-1492 BC

Middle Kingdom (Late)/2nd Intermediate/

New Kingdom (Early)

DESCRIPTION:

Small amulet, probably once part of a bracelet, in the shape of a recumbent female sphinx. The Uraeus seems to point to a New Kingdom queen.

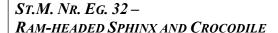
INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts

After 800 BC



MUSEUM
LONDON – PETRIE MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
UC 43960
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze
SIZE
4,4 x 3,1 cm



TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Sudan/Meroe/Temple of Amun-Ra

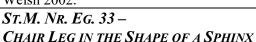
DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/9th-4th c. BC/ca. 800-350 BC

DESCRIPTION:

In a cage a crouching ram-headed sphinx and a crocodile are recumbent next to each other. The head is the typical ram-head of Amun wearing an Egyptian wig and a sun-disc with horned *Uraeus*-cobra on its head.

It seems that Amun-Ra of Meroe was closely associated with a crocodile.

INFORMATION: Welsh 2002.



TYPE: Artefact/Furniture

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Sudan

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. BC/ 8^{th} - 7^{th} c. BC/760-656 BC 3^{rd} Intermediate/ 25^{th} Dyn.



Leg of a funerary bed in the form of a seated sphinx. This is a socalled Bastet-sphinx; it got its name through its relation with the citygoddess of Bubastis.

INFORMATION:

Gubel 1998: 629-630 + pl. 1.1.

Strudwick 2006: 273. Dubiel 2011: 19 + fig. 25.

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 34– Amulet with Sphinx and Scarab

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Giza

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-4th c. BC/760-332 BC

3rd Intermediate-Late Period



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1893,0514.37
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Wood
SIZE
42.3 x 7 cm



BOSTON -

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

26-1-455

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Faience

SIZE

 $2.8 \times 3.3 \text{ cm}$

DESCRIPTION:

One side decorated with sphinx and crocodile, Maat-feather and sun-

disc; side 2 has a scarab flanked by two Uraeus-cobras.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.



ST.M. Nr. Eg. 35 – Amulet in the Shape of a Seated Sphinx

TYPE: Jewellery/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Sudan/Nubia/El-Kurru/Tomb King Piankhy

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC/743-712 BC **Late Period**/Napatan Period



Faience (blue)/Glazed

SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

A seated female sphinx, most probably belonging to or representing

a queen.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.



ST.M. NR. EG. 36 –

PENDANT WITH SEATED RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Jewellery/Pendant

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Sudan/Nubia/El-Kurru/Tomb King Piankhy

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC/743-712 BC **Late Period**/Napatan Period

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MUSEUM NUMBER

24.972

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Silver, lapis lazuli, glass

SIZE

9 cm

DESCRIPTION:

A fine pendant with a seated criosphinx (with ram-head), found in a

tomb of a king.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts



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BOSTON –
MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS
MUSEUM NUMBER
31.785
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze
SIZE
6,5 x 2,5 x 9,2 cm

St.M. Nr. Eg. 37 – Figure Lying Bearded Sphinx

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Giza

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-1st c. BC/760-30 BC

Late Period – Hellenistic Period

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent bearded sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.



LOCATION **KAWA**MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 38 – Taharqo Sphinx Trampling an Enemy

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Kawa/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/690-664 BC **Late Period**/Napatan Period/25th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

The king as a sphinx trampling an enemy.

INFORMATION:

Dubiel 2011: 15-16 + fig. 19.



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1932,0611.1
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Granite gneiss
SIZE

40,6 x 73 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 39 – Lion-maned Sphinx of Taharqo

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Sudan/Northern Dongola/Kawa/Temple T

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/ca. 680 BC **Late Period**/Napatan Period/25th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent sphinx, representing a Kushite king, with lion-manes and double *Uraeus*; the sphinx also has lion-ears.

INFORMATION:

Mysliwiec 1988: 33, 40. Nicholson and Shaw 2000: 34. Strudwick 2006: 262-263.

De Putter 2006: 89. Dubiel 2011: 15.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.43.



MUSEUM BERLIN-STAATLICHEN MUSEEN MUSEUM NUMBER 7972 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Granite SIZE 46,5 x 82 cm

RELATED:

Lion-maned Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 7th c. BC, Late Period, 25th Dyn., Figure, Basalt (?), 18 x 37 x 12 cm, Egypt, Torino, Fondazione Museo delle Antichita Egezie, c. 1413. Sfinx 2006: 210 Cat. 54.

ST.M. NR. EG. 40 -

RECUMBENT OFFERING SPHINX SHEPENUPET II

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Karnak

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/ca. 660 BC Late Period/25th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Sphinx of Shepenupet, daughter of king Pive. its hair has the Hathorcurls. It is holding a cult vessel (Nemset-vase) decorated with the head of the ram which represents Amun-Ra. These vases were used in cult-rituals like libations. On the vase is an inscription that identifies Shepenupet as a daughter of Piye, a Kushite king. These kings used to appoint their daughters as wife of a god, in this case the wife of Amun.

The plinth beneath the sphinx is decorated with inscriptions. On the front, there are two Wadjit-eyes with between them the Egyptian sign for "beautiful, good, perfect". On the right of this stand are the name and title of Shepenupet.

INFORMATION:

Wiedmann 1884: 621. Roeder 1909: 1303, 1327. Scharff 1931: 32 + fig. 4. Schweitzer 1948: Pl. XV, 3. Demisch 1977: 26 + fig. 45. Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 2. Sfinx 2006: 33-35, 291, 294 Cat. 179. Dubiel 2011: 16, 31-33 Cat. 5.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.53.



MUSEUM
LEIPZIG – ÄGYPTISCHES
MUSEUM DER UNIVERSITÄT
MUSEUM NUMBER
5145
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Limestone
SIZE
59,5 x 11,8, x 6 cm

St.M. Nr. Eg. 41 – Hathor-cow Protects a Sphinx

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/ca. 712-332 v.c.

Late Period/Napatan Period/25th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Hathor in her cow-form, recognizable by the sun-disc with *Uraeus* between her horns, stands protectively above a recumbent sphinx who wears the *Nemes* head cloth and who is almost certainly representing a king.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 229 Cat. 86 + 153.



MUSEUM
VIENNA –
KUNSTHISTORISCHES MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
AE 76
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Calcite
SIZE

ST.M. NR. EG. 42 – SPHINX OF PRIEST WAH-IB-RE

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC **Late Period**/26th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent sphinx wearing the *Nemes*-headdress decorated with a *Uraeus*. This is the only known occasion where the sphinx is guarding a tomb. Proof for this is the text inscribed: "Oh Osiris [...] Prophet and General Wah-ib-re [...] I protect your tomb and chase away the enemy from the chamber, I keep the evil-minded at a distance from your tomb, I slay the enemy with violence, I drive away the evil from your tomb [...]" (free translation from Warmenbol 2006: 21).

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 24, 29 + fig. 42. Mysliwiec 1988: Pl. LXXXV.

Warmenbol 2006: 21.



LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER 1909,0508.24

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite/Pierced, glazed, engraved

 $0.9 \times 1.24 \times 0.6 \text{ cm}$



ST.M. NR. EG. 43 -SCARAB BEARDED SPHINX WITH CAPTIVE

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC/664-525 BC Late Period/26th Dyn. (Sait Period)

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded sphinx holding a Maat-sign and lying above a captive; on top an inscription mentions Thutmoses III.

INFORMATION:

Hall 1913: nr. 1483. Giveon 1985: 184, nr. 21.

ST.M. Nr. EG. 44 -

SCARAB RECUMBENT SPHINX ABOVE CARTOUCHE THUTMOSES III

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt (?)

FIND SPOT: Syria/Amrit

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC

Late Period/26th Dyn. (imitation

of)/Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent sphinx above cartouche mentioning the name of Thutmoses III, on its head a sun-disc. Above its back a *H*-vase.

INFORMATION:

Hall 1913: 153, nr. 1562. Giveon 1985: 142, nr. 17.



MUSEUM

LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1884,0714.149

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite (?), Schist (?)/ Pierced, engraved

1,15 x 1,5 x 0,7 cm



LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1946,1204.80

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze/Solid-cast

SIZE

17,4 x 17,3 cm



MUSEUM

BOSTON-

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

MUSEUM NUMBER

72.4799

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Wood

SIZE

13,5 x 34,8 cm



MUSEUM

LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1946,1204.58

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze/Solid-cast

SIZE

5,8 x 8,2 cm

ST.M. NR. EG. 45 –

FIGURE STANDING BEARDED SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-4th c. BC/664-323 BC

Late Period

DESCRIPTION:

Standing sphinx with beard. Associated with Tutu, whose epithet

was 'the one who keeps enemies at a safe distance'.

INFORMATION:

Pinch 1994: fig. 18.

Sfinx 2006: 29, 217-218 Cat. 61.

Wegner and Houser Wegner 2015: fig. 7.45.

ST.M. NR. EG. 46-

COFFIN DECORATION WITH GRIFFIN

TYPE: Artefact/Funerary

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-4th c. BC/664-323 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Coffin decoration with part of a falcon-headed sphinx (griffin) with

sun-disc and Uraeus.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

ST.M. NR. EG. 47-

FIGURE RECUMBENT RAM-HEADED SPHINX

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-4th c. BC/664-323 BC

Late Period

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent ram-headed sphinx (Criosphinx) with sun-disc and

Uraeus on its head.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



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NEW YORK –
METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART
MUSEUM NUMBER
17.194.2474
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
IVORY

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Eg. 48 – Figure Recumbent Falcon-headed Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-4th c. BC-4th-1st c. BC

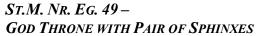
Late Period – Ptolemaic Period

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent falcon-headed sphinx (griffin) on a pedestal with a ramp. The artefact can perhaps have been part of an instrument for measuring time.

INFORMATION:

New York Metropolitan Museum of Art



TYPE: Artefact/Throne

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/6^{th}$ c. BC

Late Period

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of recumbent sphinxes before a god throne supported by two felines. The sphinxes act as guards.

This model would have stood in a temple.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 24 + fig. 39. Sfinx 2006: 115, 187 Cat. 13.



MUSEUM
BERLIN –
STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
MUSEUM NUMBER
ÄM 4580
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze
SIZE
15,5 cm



MUSEUM
ROME – MUSEO CAPITOLINO
MUSEUM NUMBER
MC0035
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 90 cm

ST.M. NR. EG. 50 – SPHINX OF AMASIS II

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Italy/Rome

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Late Period

DESCRIPTION: A recumbent sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Mysliwiec 1988: Pl. LXIII.

De Putter 2006: 89. Zivie-Coche 2006: 80.



LOCATION

ROME – PIAZZA MONTECITORIO MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Granite/Relief SIZE 21,79 m

(Sphinx-relief: 31,5 x 60 cm)

ST.M. NR. EG. 51– OBELISK PSAMTIK II

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Heliopolis/Ra Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/595-589 BC **Late Period**/26th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This relief shows pharaoh Psamtik II as a sphinx offering to the god Atum. The sphinx wears the *Nemes*-headdress and appears to be beardless.

Above the sphinx there is a Vulture-goddess who keeps her wings in a protective manner over the offering king. Above the goddess there is a scarab and on top of that a sun-disc. The scene combines the three aspects of the Sun-god: the scarab represents the young Sungod in the morning (*Khepri*), the sun-disc is Ra at noon, and Atum is the older Sun-god in the evening.

The location of the relief on the Piramidion of the obelisk suggests that it was not intended for the public's eye.

INFORMATION:

Dubiel 2011: 12, 30-31 + fig. 14 + Cat. 4.



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PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
MUSEUM NUMBER
N 515
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze
SIZE

ST.M. NR. EG. 52 – ROYAL SPHINX OF PHARAOH APRIES

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/589-570 BC **Late Period**/26th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent bearded sphinx with human hands and arms held out for offering. The text inscribed on the lion-body suggests this sphinx guarded the tomb of the pharaoh (free translation from Roeder 1909: 1305):

"O Apries, I guard your statue, I lock your door, I hold back, those that try to enter from outside, I slay your enemies with knifes, I defeat the bad on your grave, I trample your enemies? I lock you in, so that you won't come out for eternity."

INFORMATION: Roeder 1909: 1305.

St.M. Nr. Eg. 53 – Figure Sphinx with Long Neck

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/550-525 BC

Late Period

DESCRIPTION:

Seated winged sphinx with sun-disc on its head.

INFORMATION:

Paris Musée du Louvre.



MUSEUM
PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
MUSEUM NUMBER
CA 939
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Terracotta
SIZE
29 cm



ATHENS - BENAKI COLLECTION

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold/Cloisonné SIZE



ST.M. NR. EG. 54 -GOLD CLOISONNÉ SPHINX

TYPE: Jewellery/Amulet

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: ????

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/550-400 BC

Late Period

DESCRIPTION:

A small recumbent falcon-headed sphinx (griffin).

INFORMATION:

Kozloff 1976: 183 + Pl. 33, fig. 7.



MUSEUM

LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

1923,1013.14

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Glazed composition/Glazed

SIZE

5,26 x 2,05 x 7,43 cm

ST.M. NR. EG. 55 -

STRIDING HUMAN-HEADED SPHINX WITH RAM'S HEAD AT THE BACK OF ITS HEAD

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/525-404 BC

Late Period/27th Dyn./1st Persian Period

DESCRIPTION:

A small striding sphinx with human-head and a ram's head at the nape

of its neck.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 240 Cat. 101.



ST.M. NR. EG. 56-

ISIS WITH THE CHILD HORUS ON A SPHINX-THRONE

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-4th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

The goddess Isis, with the Horus-child on her lap, and wearing a Nemes head cloth topped with a crown decorated with 2 cow-horns enclosing a sun-disc, sits on a throne flanked by two sphinxes. These both wear a high crown, decorated with a sun-disc and two horns,

albeit two horizontal ones.

INFORMATION:

Schneider 1997: no. 22. Sfinx 2006: 187 cat. 14, 189. Mendoza 2008: cat. 166.

MUSEUM

LEIDEN -

RIJKSMUSEUM VAN OUDHEDEN

MUSEUM NUMBER

L.VI.66

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Brons

SIZE

22,5 x 26,5 x 12,5 cm



MUSEUM
MÜNCHEN – STAATLICHEN
ANTIKEN SAMMLUNGEN
MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Terracotta SIZE 23 cm

St.M. Nr. Eg. 57 – Pair of Sphinxes Decorating Goddess' Throne

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Egypt/Thebes

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/4th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged female sphinxes (cf. breasts) decorate the throne of a woman, probably a goddess.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: fig. 256 b.



MUSEUM

PARIS - MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

 $MUSEUM\ NUMBER$

N 27

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Basalt/Sculpted

Size

78,5 x 151 x 44 cm

St.M. Nr. Eg. 58 – Royal Sphinx of Pharaoh Achoris

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt FIND SPOT: Italy/Rome/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/4th c. BC/393-380 BC **Late Period**/29th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

This sphinx represents the relatively little-known king Achoris of the 29th Dynasty, one of the last native kings to reign over Egypt. A hieroglyphic inscription on the side of the plinth lists his royal titles.

INFORMATION:

Sfinx 2006: 121, 231.

RELATED:

 Royal Sphinx of Pharaoh Nephrites I, 1st Mill. BC, 4th c. BC, Late Period, 29th Dyn., Figure, Basalt, 87,5 x 154 x 47,4 cm, Egypt, Italy, Rome, Villa Borghese, Paris, Musée du Louvre, N 26.

Sfinx 2006: 121, 229-231.



LOCATION LUXOR - KARNAK MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 59 – Luxor-Karnak Avenue of Sphinxes

TYPE: Architectural Element/Dromos/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Luxor-Karnak/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/4th c. BC/ca. 380-362 BC **Late Period**/30th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A Dromos of recumbent sphinxes wearing the *Nemes* headdress. This alley was probably built under Nectanebo I and was intended as a part of the Dromos with Criosphinxes built by Amenhotep III (1386-1349 BC) where that united the temples of Luxor and Karnak.

INFORMATION:

Roeder 1909: 1310.

Demisch 1977: 23 + fig. 34.

Mysliwiec 1988: Pl. LXXXI-LXXXIV.

Siliotti 1994: 162-163. Cabrol 2001: Pl. 20.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 60 – SPHINX OF THE 30th Dyn.

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT:

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/4th c. BC/380-343 BC **Late Period**/30th Dyn.

DESCRIPTION:

A striding sphinx wearing a wig.

INFORMATION:

Lansing 1931: 6-7 + fig. 7.



MUSEUM

PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE MUSEUM NUMBER

N 391

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone/Sculpted

SIZE

130 x 43 x 74 cm

ST.M. Nr. Eg. 61 – Processional Way of Sphinxes

TYPE: Architectural Element/Dromos/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Egypt

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Saggara/Serapis Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/4th-3rd c. BC/378-361/305-246 BC **Late Period**/30th Dyn. or Early Ptolemaic Period

DESCRIPTION:

Dromos of recumbent sphinxes that led to the Serapeum in Saqqara. The Dromos was found by Mariette in 1851.

INFORMATION:

De Putter 2006: 89-90. Dubiel 2011: 34-35 Cat. 7.

PART 3 – STUDY MATERIAL ANATOLIA

ANATOLIA

Preceding 1600 BC



MUSEUM An Nasiriyah – City Museum

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

MUSEUM NUMBER

SIZE

St.M. Nr. An. 1 – Kültepe Cylinder Seal

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Kültepe (Kanesh)

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/20th-19th c. BC/1950-1830 BC

Kārum Period

DESCRIPTION:

The oldest representations of sphinxes in Anatolia are on three cylinder seal impressions found in Kanesh (Kültepe) datable to the 20th-19th c. BC. Two of these, including this one, show a bearded human-headed, lion-bodied creature. The third sphinx is beardless and is probably female. The first Anatolian sphinxes have one human foot, one lion foot and two hooves. They appear in a religious-mythological context. On this seal, the Weather-god is represented twice; the first time he steps on his bull, the second time he accepts a Drink-offering while standing on the bull. The War-god is depicted on the left; he stands on a lion.

On the two other seals from Kanesh (no images) the sphinx is represented with other local deities, that all seem to belong to the mountains. It seems that the sphinx was identified here as a demon of the wild and as a cultic companion.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011a: 39-40 + fig. 1.



FEMALE SPHINX WITH HATHOR-STYLE CURLS

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Acemhoyük

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th c. BC

Middle Bronze/Kārum Period

DESCRIPTION:

A seated female sphinx whose hair is done in the so-called Hathorstyle with spiral locks.

INFORMATION:

Dimand 1936: 221 + fig. 1. Frankfort 1954: 315 + fig. 373. Dessenne 1957a: figs. 339 a + b. Demisch 1977: 51 + fig. 120.



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METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART

MUSEUM NUMBER

32.161.46

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory, Gold foil

SIZE

12,7 x 10,4 cm

Canby 1975: 112.

Rehak and Younger 1997: 234.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 83-84 Cat. 46 a.

Gilibert 2011a: 42 + fig. 6.

RELATED TO:

Female Sphinx with Hathor-style Curls, 2nd Mill. BC, 18th c. BC, Middle Bronze, Artefact, Ivory, Gold Foil, 12,7 x 10,4 cm, Turkey, Acemhoyük, New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art, 32.161.47.

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Female Sphinx with Hathor-style Curls, 2nd Mill. BC, 18th c.
 BC, Middle Bronze, Artefact, Ivory, Gold Foil, 12,7 x 10,4 cm, Turkey, Acemhoyük, New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art, 36.70.1.

Canby 1975: 235 + fig. 9.

- Female Sphinx with Hathor-style Curls, 2nd Mill. BC, 18th c. BC, Middle Bronze, Artefact, Ivory, Gold Foil, 12,7 x 10,4 cm, Turkey, Acemhoyük, New York, Metropolitan Museum, 36.70.8.

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MUSEUM NUMBER

36.70.11

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory

SIZE

7,29 x 5,69 cm

ST.M. Nr. An. 3 –
Plaque Female Sphinx with Hathor-style Curls

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Acemhoyük

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th c. BC

Middle Bronze/Kārum Period

DESCRIPTION:

The head of a female sphinx with hair in Hathor-curls.

INFORMATION:

Dessenne 1957a: fig. 340 a.

Canby 1989: 112.

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: Cat. 46 b.

Gilibert 2011a: 42 + fig. 6 (left).

St.M. Nr. An. 4 – Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

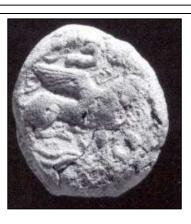
PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Acemhoyük

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/18^{th}$ c. BC

Middle Bronze/Kārum Period

DESCRIPTION:

Stamp seal impression with a recumbent winged sphinx. The sphinx has become a popular motif in about a decade and is seen a lot in political contexts (palaces).



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MUSEUM NUMBER

37.143.34

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ceramic

SIZE

2,8 x 2,15 cm



Özgüç 1983: 417, no. 5 + fig. 5, pl. 83, 5.

RELATED:

- Stamp Seal Impression with Seated Winged Sphinx, 2nd Mill. BC, 19th-18th c. BC, 1815-1750 BC, Stamp Seal Impression, Turkey, Anatolia, Acemhoyük.
 - Gilibert 2011a: 40-41 + fig. 2 (top left).
- Stamp Seal Impression with Seated Winged Sphinx, 2nd Mill. BC, 19th-18th c. BC, 1815-1750 BC, Stamp Seal Impression, Turkey, Anatolia, Acemhoyük. Gilibert 2011a: 40-41 + fig. 2 (bottom left).

ST.M. NR. AN. 5 –

SPHINX WITH SNAKES COMING OUT OF ITS BODY

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Acemhoyük

Date/period: 2^{nd} Mill. BC/ 19^{th} - 18^{th} c. BC/1815-1750 BC

Kārum Period

DESCRIPTION:

Stamp seal with a recumbent bearded sphinx; out of its body seem to grow three snakes.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011a: 40-41 + fig. 2 (top right)

ST.M. NR. AN. 6 -

THE SPHINX AS A SYMBOL OF THE WILD

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Acemhoyük

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/19th-18th c. BC/1815-1750 BC

Kārum Period

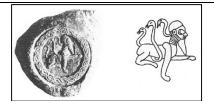
DESCRIPTION:

In Acemhoyük there were found 5 stamp seals were the sphinx is represented in the company of local deities, all related to the mountains. The sphinx must be seen as a symbol of the wild and the chaos. On this seal and on two others (see Related) the sphinx is the companion of the Goddess of the Mountain Goat. On a fourth seal it is represented with the other companion animals of this goddess (see St.M. Nr. An. 7).

The seal shown here has two bearded standing sphinxes supporting the goddess. In front of them sits a cat-like animal, beneath are three other animals.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011a: 41-42 + fig. 4 (left).

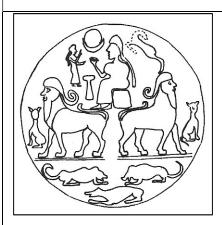


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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



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Size

St.M. Nr. An. 7-

RELATED:

- The Sphinx as a Symbol of the Wild, 2nd Mill. BC, 19th-18th c. BC, 1815-1750 BC, Stamp Seal Impression, Turkey, Acemhoyük.
 - Gilibert 2011a: fig. 4 (middle).
- The Sphinx as a Symbol of the Wild, 2nd Mill. BC, 19th-18th c. BC, 1815-1750 BC, Stamp Seal Impression, Turkey, Acemhoyük.

Gilibert 2011a: fig. 4 (right).

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Acemhoyük

Date/Period: 2^{nd} Mill. $BC/19^{th}$ - 18^{th} c. BCKārum Period

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

THE SPHINX AS A SYMBOL OF THE WILD



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



DESCRIPTION:

This seal, found together with four other stamp seals in Acemhoyük, shows a seated bearded sphinx together with the other companions of the Goddess of the Mountain Goat: a mountain goat, a lion and a bird. The bull is probably a symbol of the Weather-god.

INFORMATION:

Gilibert 2011a: 41-42 + fig. 5.



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Ceramic SIZE

5,84 x 2,53 cm

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

ST.M. NR. AN. 8 -**CONFRONTING SPHINXES**

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Anatolia/Acemhöyük

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th c. BC

Middle Bronze/Kārum Period

DESCRIPTION:

Stamp seal impression with two recumbent sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Özgüç 1983: 416 no. 3 + fig. 3, pl. 83,3.



MUSEUM KONYA – KONYA MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1975.25.41 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ceramic SIZE 10,2 cm

St.M. Nr. An. 9 – Relief Vessel with Sphinxes

TYPE: Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Karahöyük

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th c. BC

Middle Bronze/Kārum-period

DESCRIPTION:

Unique vessel, with 2 bearded sphinxes of which the body is depicted in relief while the heads are sculpted in the round. They each have two locks of hair that end in spirals upon their chest.

This vessel was probably used for libations.

INFORMATION:

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 142-143 Cat. 81.



MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Size

St.M. Nr. An. 10 – Sphinxes with Sacred Tree

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/Boğazköy (Hattusha)

Date/Period: 2nd Mill. BC/17th c. BC

Old Hittite

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged sphinxes flanking a Sacred Tree. One sphinx wears a round hat, the other one a horned cap, the usual headdress of Hittite male gods. The winged sphinx with horned cap is the earliest example of a 4-elements sphinx.

Next to the sphinxes, but otherwise unconnected to them a winged griffin, a recumbent gazelle, a lion and a bull. Also, a Sun-disc and a moon crescent.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 45, 48 + fig. 110. Gilibert 2011a: 43 + fig. 7.





MUSEUM
BALTIMORE –
WALTERS ART GALLERY
MUSEUM NUMBER
48.1464
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Clay
SIZE
5,5 x 4 cm

ST.M. NR. AN. 11 – CONFRONTING MALE AND FEMALE SPHINX

TYPE: Seal/Cylinder Seal/Impression on Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/17th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A female and male sphinx, both winged, sit opposite each other. Behind them are a bird and a mammal. In between the sphinxes is an *Ankh*-sign, the Egyptian symbol for eternity.

INFORMATION:

Canby 1975.

Gilibert 2011a: 41 + fig. 3.

After 800 BC



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SAINT PETERSBURG –
HERMITAGE MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
IB-16002
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze, stone
SIZE

16 cm

St.M. Nr. An. 12 – FIGURE WINGED LION-CENTAUR

TYPE: Artefact/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Toprakkale

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC

Urartian

DESCRIPTION:

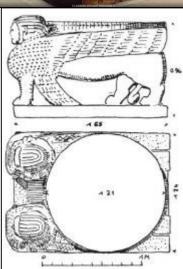
A small standing winged composite creature, with a lion-body, a human head, human arms and human shoulders. It was originally part either of a throne belonging to one of the rulers of Urartu or of a ritual seat.

INFORMATION:

Barnett 1954: 13-14 nr. 4 + Pl. 3 fig. 2.

Demisch 1977: 45 + fig. 103.





ST.M. Nr. An. 13 – Column base with Double Sphinxes

TYPE: Architectural Element

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Zincirli

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Column-base from a palace decorated with 2 standing winged female sphinxes. The column would have been in the shape of a tree and was a symbol of fertility.

INFORMATION:

Pottier 1921: 15-16 + fig. 44, 52 + Pl. IV.

Güterbock 1956: Pl. IVb. Winter 1976a: 42 + fig. 29. Demisch 1977: 56-57 + fig. 136. Gilibert 2011b: 89-90 + fig. 23.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Basalt/Relief SIZE



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1811

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Relief SIZE



ST.M. NR. AN. 14-STRIDING WINGED SPHINX WITH SNAKEHEAD-TAIL

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Sakçagözü

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A striding winged and bearded sphinx wearing a horned crown and a tail that ends in the head of a snake.

INFORMATION:

Winter 1976a: 34 + fig. 18. Demisch 1977: 60 + fig. 150.



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1984.383.41

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Marble SIZE

Diam. 1,89 cm

ST.M. NR. AN. 15 -SPHINX WITH SCORPION TAIL

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Urartu

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC

Iron Age III

DESCRIPTION:

Stamp seal impression with a striding winged sphinx whose tail ends in a scorpion.

INFORMATION:

Metropolitan Museum of Art Annual Report 1985: 20.



ST.M. Nr. An. 16 – Pin with Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Jewellery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey/Urartu FIND SPOT: Turkey/East-Anatolia/Urartu

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/8^{th}$ - 7^{th} c. BC

Urartian

DESCRIPTION:

A small standing winged sphinx decorates a pin that was used to hold garments/clothing in place or closed.

INFORMATION:

Westenholz (ed.) 2004a: 140 nr. 100.

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JERUSALEM –
BIBLE LANDS MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
BLMJ740
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Silver
SIZE
6,7 x 1,1 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER
ME 91247
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze
SIZE
17,78 x 21,59 cm

St.M. Nr. An. 17 – Winged Bull-Centaur

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey

FIND SPOT: Turkey/East-Anatolia/Toprakkale

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC/ca. 700 BC Urartian

DESCRIPTION:

This bronze figure of a winged bull-centaur with a human torso and head was part of the decoration of a throne. It comes from Toprakkale (ancient Rusahinili) in Urartu, the site of a major temple of the god Haldi. The missing face and horns were probably made of ivory, while the bronze was covered in gold leaf. The original effect must have been both rich and colourful, which seems to have been typical of important ancient furniture.

Barnett (1950: 6) claims the figure is not male but female.

INFORMATION:

Barnett 1950: 6-7, 30-31 + fig. 22 + Pl. VI., Pl. VII 1.

Frankfort 1954: 336-337 + fig. 398. Demisch 1977: 45 + fig. 102.



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PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
MUSEUM NUMBER
AM 1724
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Limestone
SIZE
16,5 x 10 x 11 cm

St.M. Nr. An. 18 – PAIR OF SPHINXES DECORATING GODDESS THRONE

TYPE: Artefact/Throne

PRODUCTION PLACE: Turkey FIND SPOT: Turkey/Knidos

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-5th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A ram-headed god or goddess sits on a throne decorated by a pair of standing sphinxes (cf. 8.4. Sphinx/Griffin/Criosphinx Flanking/Decorating Throne).

INFORMATION:

Paris Musée du Louvre.

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MUSEUM HERAKLION -ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER II 19818 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. NR. AEG. 1 -MALIA SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Malia/Quartier Mu/Building D

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/ca. 1800 BC

Middle Bronze//Middle Minoan

DESCRIPTION:

A small figurine of a recumbent, wingless sphinx (Egyptian style), probably used in rituals.

INFORMATION:

Aruz, Benzel and Evans (eds.) 2008: 143. Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 99 + fig. 1.



ST.M. NR. AEG. 2 -RECUMBENT SPHINX ARCHANES

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Crete FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Archanes

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/19th-17th c. BC/1900-1600 BC Middle Minoan

DESCRIPTION:

The recumbent sphinx's beard and hair are represented by a great curl. This is probably the earliest known Cretan sphinx and it is still unwinged.

INFORMATION:

Evans 1930: 418-419 + fig. 283. Dessenne 1957a: 44-45 + fig. 55. Demisch 1977: 65 + fig. 172. Yule 1981:138 + Pl. 11 Motif 17: A2.

Zouzoula 2007: 94, 99.

RELATED:

Standing Unwinged Sphinx, Middle Minoan, Seal, Hard Stone, Crete, Hieroglyphic Deposit Group. Yule 1981: 137 + Pl. 11 Motif 17: A1.

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SIZE

MUSEUM NUMBER **CS 122** MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Green Jasper



MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Steatite SIZE

13,5 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 3 -RECUMBENT SPHINX HAGIA TRIADA

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Hagia Triada

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th-16th c. BC/

Middle Minoan

DESCRIPTION:

A small recumbent sphinx, the type of which is probably derived from Near Eastern examples.

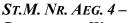
INFORMATION:

Unger 1928: 336.

Evans 1930: 420 + fig. 286. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 300.

Karo 1959: 79.

Demisch 1977: 65-66 + fig. 173. Symington 1991: Pl. XXI c.



RECUMBENT WINGED SPHINX KNOSSOS

TYPE: Architectural Element/Mural Painting

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Knossos

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th-16th c. BC

Middle Minoan

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

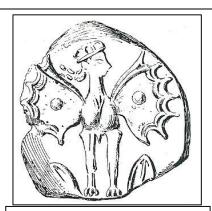
SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent winged sphinx. This sphinx is a beautiful example of a winged Cretan-Minoan sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 66 + fig. 174. Hood 2005: Fig. 2.8 (b).



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 5 – Sphinx with Butterfly-Wings

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Zakros

DATE/PERIOD: 2nd Mill. BC/18th-16th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A standing sphinx with outstretched butterfly-shaped wings wearing a crown.

INFORMATION:

Hogarth 1902: 84 + Pl. VIII nr. 74.

Unger 1928: 336.

Evans 1935b: 490 + fig. 420. Frankfort 1936: 117 + fig. 17. Dessenne 1957a: fig. 291. Demisch 1977: 66 + fig. 175.

(About the seals found in Krato Zakros, e.g. Zouzoula 2007:

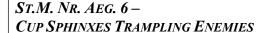
221-266.)

After 800 BC





MUSEUM
PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE
MUSEUM NUMBER
AO 20134
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Silver, gold/Repoussé
SIZE
19,5 cm



TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Dali

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC

Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Known as the 'Dali' or 'Idalium' Cup.

Centre: Pharaoh, accompanied by a servant, a Winged Sun and Horus, is crushing his enemies.

Frieze: Five winged sphinxes and five griffins, also trampling enemies (cf. 8.1. Sphinx/Griffin/Criosphinx Trampling...).

Frieze: Fight between hero and lion or griffin + Bes, half-man, half-lion, fighting with or carrying an animal.

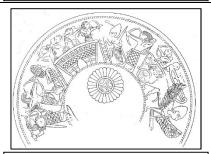
All composite creatures hold a man down.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 73 + fig. 206.

Sfinx 2006: 162.

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 110 + fig. 25.



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SIZE

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 7 – Plate Winged Sphinx Pulling War-chariot

TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Delphi

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx is pulling a war-chariot in the middle of a war scene. The motif shows a mixture of Phoenician and Cypriote elements.

INFORMATION: Poulsen 1912: 21.

Demisch 1977: 72, 74 + fig. 208.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze SIZE



TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Olympia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th C BC

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx with *Uraeus* on its head-dress is pulling a hunting-chariot in the middle of a hunting scene.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 72, 74 + fig. 209.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze SIZE St.M. Nr. Aeg. 9 – Sphinx Pulling a Chariot

TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Mesopotamia (?) Syria (?)

FIND SPOT: Aegean (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx looks back over its shoulder at the chariot with two man it is pulling. One of the men is an archer, so presumably the men are hunting.

INFORMATION:

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 107 + fig. 20.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze SIZE

19,5 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 10 – Horse Bit with Winged Sphinx Trampling Black Man

TYPE: Artefact/Equestrian

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Salamis

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC/725-700 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx tramples a captive while looking out of the picture! The sphinx is without a doubt of the Egyptian type (e.g. *Nemes*) and the lotus-flowers also point to an Egyptian influence.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 73 + fig. 205.



MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 11 – Krater Seated Winged Sphinxes with Warriors

TYPE: Pottery/Krater

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Attica

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th c. BC/725-700 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Krater decorated with different friezes: one with seated winged

sphinxes, one with war scenes

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 83 + fig. 232.



ST.M. NR. AEG. 12 -

BOWL RECUMBENT SPHINXES WITH URAEUS (AMATHUS-BOWL)

BUWL

TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Phoenicia?/Cyprus? FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Amathus/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC/750-600 BC

Cypro-Phoenician

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MUSEUM NUMBER **1931,0819.1**

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Silver/Repoussé

SIZE

18,7 cm x 3,6 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Three concentric registers around a central rosette-motif; inner register with recumbent sphinxes, wearing *Uraei* and sun-disc; second register with male Assyrian dressed figures and a Sacred Tree flanked by Egyptian religious figures (Harpocrates, Isis, Re-Harmachis, Nephthys, scarab, ...); outer register shows the siege of a city.

INFORMATION:

Ilberg 1909-1915: 1345.

Myres 1933.

Cook 1979: 26-27 + fig. 28.

Markoe 1985: 172-174, fig. p. 248-249.

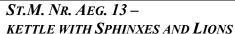
Beach 1992: 135 Beach 1993: 101.

(For more information about Phoenician bowls: Markoe 1985.)



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Engraved SIZE



TYPE: Pottery/Kettle

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Olympia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC/ca. 700 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinxes sitting above a recumbent lion or a bird. Two of the sphinxes put their front paw on a small palm tree.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 71, 78-79 + fig. 214.

ST.M. NR. AEG. 14 –

SCARAB SEATED SPHINX WITH SUN-DISC, ANKH-SYMBOL

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Phoenicia?/Cyprus? FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Amathus/Tomb 201

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-6th c. BC/750-500 BC Cypro-Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

A seated winged sphinx with a sun-disc and an Ankh-symbol in front

of it.

INFORMATION:

Murray, Smith a.o. 1900: 123, Tomb 201,100, fig. 147, nr. 18.



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MUSEUM NUMBER
1894,1101.427
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite/Perforated, incised, glazed

SIZE

1,9 x 1,5 x 0,8 cm



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1894,1101.413

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Steatite SIZE

1,5 x 1 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 15 – Scarab Winged Crowned Sphinx

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Cyprus

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Amathus/Tomb 242

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-6th c. BC/750-500 BC

Phoenician

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinx or griffin wearing the crown of Upper- or Lower-

Egypt.

INFORMATION:

Walters 1926: 289.

Reyes 2001: 106 no. 214 + fig. 234.





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METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART
MUSEUM NUMBER
74.51.4554
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Silver
SIZE
3,1 x 16,8 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 16 – Plate with Pair of Sphinxes smelling Sacred Tree

TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Curium

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/8th-7th c. BC/725-675 BC

DESCRIPTION:

The cup shows a combination of Egyptian and Near Eastern elements (Assyrian and Phoenician) with Greek influence.

A pair of winged sphinxes smells the flowers growing on a Sacred Tree.

The central tondo shows a winged Assyrian type deity attacking a lion with a sword. The surrounding frieze shows a variety of animal and narrative motifs, including two specifically Egyptian subjects: a sphinx wearing the Egyptian double crown and a lion trampling a dead man. The broad outer band features a variety of combats. Of greatest importance, however, are two inscriptions.

At the top, above an Assyrian type figure killing a lion, a Cypriot syllabic inscription reads, "I am [the bowl] of Akestor, king of Paphos". It was partly obliterated and replaced by "I am [the bowl] of Timokretes", presumably the next owner.

INFORMATION:

Ilberg 1909-1915: 1346.

Frankfort 1954: 331 + fig. 393. Demisch 1977: 73-74 + fig. 207.



VASE SPHINX AND GRIFFIN WITH DEER AND GOOSE

TYPE: Pottery/Vase

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/7^{th}$ c. BC

Archaic Period

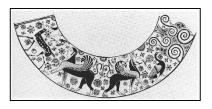
DESCRIPTION:

Frieze with winged sphinx striding behind a deer and winged griffin striding behind a goose.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 48, 75 + fig. 211.

(More information on griffins in Post-Minoan art: Reed 1976)



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SIZE

ST.M. Nr. AEG. 18 – Oinochoe Winged Sphinx with Goose

TYPE: Pottery/Oinochoe

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx with human-arms and -hands strangles a goose. This is in sharp contrast with the Egyptian sphinx with human-hands, which is always seen offering or worshipping. Egyptian sphinxes also never hunted.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 75 + fig. 212.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 19 – Finger-Ring Pair of Seated Bearded Winged Sphinxes

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of winged and bearded sphinxes sits next to a Sacred Tree; each sphinx lifts one front paw.

On top of the Sacred Tree rests a moon-crescent.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 72 + fig. 201.

RELATED:

Golden Ring Pair of Sphinxes Flanking Tree, 1st Mill. BC, 6th-5th c. BC, Archaic, Jewellery, Ring, Gold, Green Plasma, 4,9 cm, Aegean Cyprus, New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art, 74.51.4139.

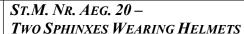
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Metal SIZE



TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Kavousi

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes wearing a helmet seem to participate in a kind of military parade. The iconography of sphinxes wearing helmets is clearly influenced by the imagery of the Greek mainland. In Hittite art sphinxes can also be seen wearing helmets.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 69 + fig. 189.

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 21 – Pendant Standing/Striding Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Jewellery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC **Orientalizing Period**

DESCRIPTION:

A standing or striding winged sphinx above three embossed female heads. Below are four (one missing) pomegranates hanging on a

chain.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



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LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1860,0201.61
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Gold/Embossed
SIZE
3,5 cm



MUSEUM LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1860,0404.66 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Glazed Composition SIZE 10.4 x 3.9 cm



TYPE: Pottery/Alabastron

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes/Kamiros

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two rows of engraved animals decorate this Alabastron. The first depicts a winged sphinx and two bulls with a tree in between. The second row represents a lion, a deer and a bull. Turned towards the bull there is a figure holding his arm up against the former and behind this figure there is another bull facing left.

INFORMATION:

Marshall 1911: nr. 1109.



St.M. Nr. Aeg. 23 – Terracotta Relief Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Lato

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx walks to the right. It wears a high hat and its wings end in a sort of plume.

INFORMATION:

Dohan 1931: 222 + fig. 33. Demisch 1977: 70, 73 + fig. 192.

RELATED:

- Terracotta Relief Winged Sphinx, 7th c. BC, Plaque, Terracotta, Relief, Aegean, Crete, Paris, Musée du Louvre. Dohan 1931: fig. 34.
- Terracotta Relief Winged Sphinx (Fragment), 7th c. BC, Plaque, Terracotta, Relief, Aegean, Crete, Paris, Musée du Louvre.

Dohan 1931: fig. 37.

 Terracotta Relief Winged Griffin, 7th c. BC, Plaque, Terracotta, Relief, Aegean, Crete, Vaveloi, Paris, Musée du Louvre.

Dohan 1931: fig. 38.

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ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Terracotta/Relief SIZE



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Terracotta
SIZE
33,5 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 24 –

FIGURE SEATED WINGED SPHINX WITH INCENSE BURNING PLATE

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Athens/Cemetery

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A seated winged sphinx carrying an incense burner on its head. The tense attitude of this sphinx will become typical for later Greek sphinxes

The sphinx here is depicted suggesting power and dignity.

INFORMATION:

Payne 1933: 271 + Pl. XVII.

Demisch 1977: 68, 76, 79 + fig. 217.

RELATED:

Figure Winged Sphinx with Burning Incense Plate, 1st Mill.
 BC, 6th c. BC, 538-331 BC, Achaemenid, Artefact, Figure (Religious), Limestone, Aegean, Cyprus, Marion, Paris, Musée du Louvre, AM 90.

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ST.M. NR. AEG. 25 -

FIGURE WINGED SPHINX WITH SNAKE-HEAD TAIL

TYPE: Figure (?)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth/Perachora

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A crouching winged sphinx with a tail (or wing?) ending in a snake-

head.

INFORMATION:

Payne 1932: Pl. X.

Demisch 1977: 79 + fig. 218.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Terracotta SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Aeg. 26 – Vessel in the Shape of a Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A standing sphinx, not winged, that functions as a vessel.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 80, 94 + fig. 219.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 27 – Bronze Plate with Striding Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Plate

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Attica/Eleutherae

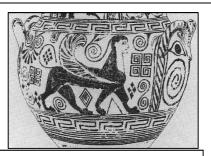
Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Plate decorated with a striding winged bearded sphinx. This is one of the rare Greek bearded male sphinxes

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 77, 80 + fig. 220.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 28 – Amphora Striding Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Pottery/Amphora

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Milos

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx walks to the right. Its hair curls into a spiral.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 80 + fig. 223.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 29 – Krater Winged Sphinx with Athena

TYPE: Pottery/Krater

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Samos

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

Corinthian

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx rests its front paw on the goddess Athena.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 92 + fig. 259. Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 10. Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 108 + fig. 21.



ST.M. NR. AEG. 30 -

ALABASTRON WINGED SPHINX WITH HELMET

TYPE: Pottery/Alabastron

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Fortezza

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A helmeted recumbent winged sphinx decorates an Alabastron.

INFORMATION:

Payne 1933: 291-292 + fig. 17. Demisch 1977: 95 + fig. 266.

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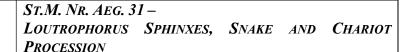
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



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MUSEUM NUMBER
CA 2985
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Terracotta
SIZE
80 cm



TYPE: Pottery/Loutrophorus

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Athens

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/ca. 690 BC **Orientalizing Period**

DESCRIPTION:

Snakes modelled in relief decorate the mouth, handles, and shoulder of the vase, confirming its funerary function. Decoration in different registers: sphinxes, rosettes, braids, wolf teeth, steps, spirals, and petals as decorative motifs with figurative scenes: couples dancing to the sound of the double flute and a procession of chariots.

INFORMATION:

Denoyelle 1995: 22 no. 6.

Denoyelle 1996: 71-87, pl. 13-19.

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 32 – Bowl Sphinxes and Griffins Flanking Lotuses

TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/675-625 BC

Archaic Period

DESCRIPTION:

The outer frieze shows sphinxes and griffins flanking lotuses, hawks, winged snakes and flora. One sphinx holds an *ankh*-symbol. An inscription says: "*I am the bowl of Epiorwos, son of Dies*".

INFORMATION:

Myres 1914: no. 4552. Masson 1980: fig. 1.

Matthäus 1985: 167, 376, cat. 437, pl. 41.

Karageorghis, Mertens and Rose 2000: 185 no. 302.



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NEW YORK —
METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART
MUSEUM NUMBER
74.51.4552
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Silver, gold
SIZE
4,2 x 15,7 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Clay SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 33 – Kettle Seated Winged Sphinx with Crown

TYPE: Pottery/Kettle

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Aphrati

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/660-640 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A kettle with a decoration of a winged sphinx seated down and wearing a crown. Demisch thinks this sphinx looks remarkably alert.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 79, 82 + fig. 215.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Terracotta
SIZE
12 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 34 – Terracotta Figure Winged Sphinx with Palmette

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Gortyn

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. BC/7th c. BC/ca. 650 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A standing or striding winged sphinx with a palmette; at least, this is what Demisch claims. I think it more probable these are decorations on wings imitating feathers.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 70 + fig. 191.



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Br 6235
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bronze
SIZE

13 x 14 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 35 – SMALL SPHINX OLYMPIA

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Olympia

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/ca. 650 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A small winged sphinx with two faces.

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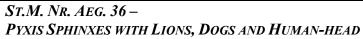
Winkler-Horaček 2011b: 132 Cat. 29.



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1907,1201.790 *MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE*

SIZE 9,4 cm



TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

FIND SPOT: Aegean/East-Greece/Ephesus/Temple of Artemis

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/650-630 BC Corinthian

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of winged seated sphinxes, flanking a corselet (?) together with three lions, a dog, and a head of a bearded man.

INFORMATION:

Smith 1908: 230, no. 30 + fig. 57.



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PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE

MUSEUM NUMBER

Br 1101

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze/Hammered, engraved

SIZE

20 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 37 – Corinthian Helmet

TYPE: Artefact/Military

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. BC/ 7^{th} c. BC/650-625 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Bronze helmet decorated with a female sphinx (on the only remaining cheek plate), lions and palm tree.

INFORMATION:

Amandry 1949: 438-439.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1907,1201.39

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold

Size

2 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 38 – Square Gold Plaque with Seated Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Plaque

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/East-Greece/Ephesus/Temple of Artemis

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/650-600 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Seated winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Marshall 1911: nr 905.

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 39 – Seated Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean//North-eastern Greece/Melia

FIND SPOT: Aegean

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/650-600 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Stamp seal impression of a seated winged sphinx; above its shoulder

shines a star.

INFORMATION:

Richter 1956 [1920]: 3, no. 8, pl. 2.

Richter 2006 [1920]: 3, no. 8, pl. 2.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Micaceous stone

SIZE

2,7 cm



St.M. Nr. Aeg. 40 – Armour with Raised Pair of Sphinxes

TYPE: Artefact/Military

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/650-600 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two raised sphinxes above a (sort of military) scene with men and women; next to the sphinxes are two bulls and two lions.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 48, 82 + fig. 228.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze SIZE



MUSEUM BASEL - ANTIKENMUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 16 cm



ST.M. NR. AEG. 41 -**PYTHOS WITH SPHINXES**

TYPE: Pottery/Pythos

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/ca. 630 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two striding winged sphinxes wearing a curious floral headdress.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 69 + fig. 190.

Related:

Pythos with Recumbent Winged Sphinx, 7th c. BC, Pottery, Pythos, Aegean, Crete, Oxford, Ashmolean Museum. Dohan 1931: fig. 35.



MUSEUM NEW YORK -METROPOLITAN MUS. OF ART MUSEUM NUMBER 1997.36

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Terracotta, black-figure

SIZE 18,4 cm ST.M. NR. AEG. 42 -DINOS WITH SPHINXES, PANTHERS, GOATS AND LIONS

TYPE: Pottery/Dinos

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/630-615 BC Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

The upper region shows winged walking or standing sphinxes and panthers, below are goats and lions between sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Ancient World 1997: 11.



MUSEUM LONDON - BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER 1914,1030.1 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 45 x 29 cm



ST.M. NR. AEG. 43 -AMPHORA FRIEZES WITH SPHINXES AND BOARS

TYPE: Pottery/Amphora

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/625-600 BC Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Five friezes of animals, of which some are sphinxes. The scenes are littered with rosettes.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



ST.M. Nr. AEG. 44 – OINOCHOE WILD-GOAT STYLE WITH GRIFFIN

TYPE: Pottery/Oinochoe

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes/Kamiros

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/625-600 BC Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Frieze with crouching winged griffin (falcon-head); below frieze with deer.

INFORMATION:

Paris Musée du Louvre.

(More information on griffins in Post-Minoan art: Reed 1976)



SIZE 33 cm



ST.M. NR. AEG. 45 -FIGURE SEATED WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/East-Greece/Ephesus

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/625-600 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Figure of a seated winged sphinx.

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 79 + fig. 216.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze SIZE



TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/625-600 BC **Archaic**

DESCRIPTION:

Plate decorated with a central rosette surrounded by a frieze with two striding winged sphinxes and animals

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 82 + fig. 227.



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1861,0425.46

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Painted, incised

Size

8,06 x 36,2 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 47 – Gorgon Bowl with Sphinxes, Deer, Lions and Siren

TYPE: Pottery/Bowl

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes/Kamiros/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/625-600 BC

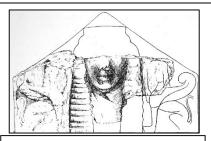
Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

A frieze with a pair of winged sphinxes flanking a siren, lions and deer surround a Gorgon's head.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Terracotta SIZE



TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Corfu/Korkyra/Temple

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. B/625-600 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two seated winged sphinxes flank a head of a god.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 92 + fig. 257.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1888,0601.456

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Relief, painted

17.7 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 49 –

CHIOS BOWL WITH SPHINXES, FEMALE HEADS, OARS, LIONS AND GOATS

TYPE: Pottery/Bowl

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Chios/Temple of Aphrodite

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th c. BC/620-600 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A frieze of sphinxes, lions, boars and oars on a bowl decorated with

female heads in relief.

The inscription reads: 'Sostratos dedicated me to Aphrodite'.

INFORMATION:

Möller 2000: 249, nr. 2b.



ST.M. NR. AEG. 50 -



NICOSIA - CYPRUS MUSEUM

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta

SIZE

20 cm

PAIR OF WINGED SPHINXES DECORATING THRONE

TYPE: Artefact/Throne

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Agia Irina

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged standing sphinxes, part of a throne (of a goddess?). This motif is also known in Egypt and the Near East since the 2nd Mill.

BC.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 72 + fig. 202.

RELATED:

Pair of Sphinxes Decorating Goddess' Throne, 1st Mill BC, 4th c. BC, Furniture, Throne, Terracotta, 32 cm, Aegean, Cyprus, Larnaca, Sanctuary of Artemis Paralia, London, British Museum, 1866,0101.1.

Demisch 1977: 90-91 + fig. 256 a.



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MUSEUM NUMBER
1867,0506.2
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Glazed Composition
SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 51 – Lid Three Recumbent Sphinxes with Lion

TYPE: Pottery/Lid

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Three recumbent sphinxes in relief on the rim of a lid; in the centre a lion.

INFORMATION: Webb 1978: 268bis.



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MUSEUM NUMBER
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Size

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 52 – Plate Seated Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Pottery/Plate

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Lydia/Cyrenaica

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

Seated winged sphinx with an elaborate headdress. The floral ornament has two branches, one ending in a lotus-flower, the other in a pomegranate.

INFORMATION:

Chase 1921: 112-113 + fig. 1. Demisch 1977: 73, 80 + fig. 222.

Related:

- *Cup Seated Winged Sphinx*, 6th c. BC, 600-550 BC, Pottery, Cylix, 12,3 x 18,9 cm, Aegean, Found in Lydia, Sardis, New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Chase 1921: 111-114 + Pl. IV.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



TYPE: Pottery/Vase

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC

Corinthian

DESCRIPTION:

Frieze with pair of seated winged sphinxes flanking a swan (the swan is the holy animal of Apollo); friezes with deer, bulls and other animals.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 81 + fig. 226.

Winkler-Horaček 2011b: 117 + fig. 1.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

22.139.4 a, b

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta

SIZE

12,1 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 54 -TRIPOD PYXIS WITH SPHINXES, WOMEN AND ANIMALS

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC/620-590 BC

Archaic/Corinthian

DESCRIPTION:

On the "legs" of the Pyxis, pair of winged seated sphinxes flanking

woman; on lid woman among animals.

INFORMATION:

Richter 1923: 177.

Markoe and Serwint 1985: 11, 16, no. 7.





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1867,0508.1010
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 55 – Olpe Pair of Winged Sphinxes Flanking Hermes

TYPE: Pottery/Olpe

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-6th c. BC/ca. 600 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

The god Hermes flanked by a pair of winged sphinxes. Throughout the scene are rosettes; Hermes stands on two branches with flowers.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 92 + fig. 258.



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1912,0228.2
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Steatite/Incised, impressed
SIZE
3,2 x 2,7 x 1,9 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 56 – Sphinx/Griffin, Bearded Man and Bes-like Figure

TYPE: Seal/Stamp Seal/Impression

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/7th-5th c. BC/650-450 BC **Cypro-Archaic**

DESCRIPTION:

Stamp seal with five incised faces: a winged griffin or sphinx, a head of a bearded man, bearded man wearing a long garment and holding a tree, a Bes-like figure holding flowers, a sun or star.

INFORMATION:

Reyes 2001: 176, nr. 447 + fig. 454.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. AEG. 57 – TOMB STELE WITH SPHINXES FLANKING LOUTROPHORUS

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief/Funerary

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Attica/Tomb

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/6^{th}$ c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Two seated winged sphinxes flanking a Loutrophorus decorated with a relief of men shaking hands

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 87 + fig. 247.



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GR 1905.7-12.2
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Bichrome
SIZE
25 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 58 – Lidded Jar with Sphinxes, Goats and Flora

TYPE: Pottery/Jar

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Achna

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/6^{th}$ c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Frieze with winged striding sphinxes, goats and flora.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



St.M. Nr. Aeg. 59 – Rod Tripod Stand with Recumbent Sphinxes and Palmettes

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Tripod with feline feet; at the top of each leg palmettes and horse protomes and above these a recumbent sphinx.

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1997.145.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze

SIZE

75,2 x 44,5 cm

This class of stand has a long history in Greek lands and ultimately derives from ancient Near Eastern prototypes.

INFORMATION:

Ancient World 1997: 10.



St.M. Nr. Aeg. 60 – Bronze Handle with Recumbent Sphinxes

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

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06.1093

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze

SIZE

26,7 x 25 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Bronze handle of a hydria decorated with two recumbent sphinxes, a

woman's head and two reclining banqueters.

INFORMATION:

Richter 1915: 9-10, no. 15.

Richter 1935: 33, 182, pl. 22g.

Von Bothmer 1955: 194.



ST.M. Nr. AEG. 61 –

VASE PAIR OF SEATED WINGED AND CROWNED SPHINXES

TYPE: Pottery/Vase

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Aegina

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/6^{th}$ c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Decoration consisting of a pair of seated winged sphinxes, wearing a

crown.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 80-81, 92 + fig. 224.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 62 – Krater Pair of Seated Winged Sphinxes Flanking Fight

TYPE: Pottery/Krater

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of seated winged sphinxes flank a fight between two warriors, Achilles and Memnon, while Antilochos is lying dead on the ground.

INFORMATION:

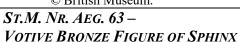
Demisch 1977: 83 + fig. 233.

Winkler-Horaček 2011b: 124-125 + fig. 12.

RELATED:

Band Cup with Pair of Sphinxes Flanking Fight, 1st Mill.
 BC, 6th-5th c. BC, 540-480 BC, Archaic, Pottery, Black figure, 27,94 x 7,62 cm, Aegean, Attica, Found in Aegean, Rhodes, Kamiros, London, British Museum, 1864,1007.148.

© British Museum.



TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/East-Greece/Çeşme

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Figure of a standing winged sphinx, perhaps associated with Cybele.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



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1875,0313.13

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze

SIZE

5,08 x 6,35 cm



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1905,0712.1

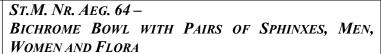
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bichrome/

Wheel-made, slipped, painted

SIZE

10,16 x 34,29 cm



TYPE: Pottery/Bowl

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Achna

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Outside:

Two registers: a frieze of pairs of winged standing sphinxes smelling flowers, floral and vegetal motifs, and a frieze of stylized lotus petals.

Inside

Around a central rosette: pairs of women facing each other smelling flowers; two couples (both male and female) engaged in sexual intercourse in various postures, a female dancing; floral and vegetal motifs.

INFORMATION:

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: C838.

Karageorghis and Des Gagniers 1974: 91-92, Cat. VIII.16.

ST.M. Nr. AEG. 65 – Amphora with Sphinxes, Women and Rosettes

TYPE: Pottery/Amphora

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Karpas Peninsula

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Decoration of eastern inspired sphinxes, women and rosettes.

INFORMATION:

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: C840.

Karageorghis and Des Gagniers 1974: 89-90, Cat. VIII.15.



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1896,1015.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bichrome

SIZE

66,04 cm



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MUSEUM NUMBER
55.71.10

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta *SIZE* 4,2 cm

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14.40.772

SIZE

1,25 cm

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Jasper (green)

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 66 – Fragment of Plate with Head and Torso of Sphinx

TYPE: Pottery/Plate

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/East-Greece/Klazomenai

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Part of a winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Villing 2015: GG 792.



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St.M. Nr. Aeg. 67 – Jasper Scarab with Seated Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Magna Graecia/Sardinia

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Scarab with seated winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Richter 1956 [1920]: 6, no. 19, pl. 4. Richter 2006 [1920]: 6, no. 19, pl. 4.

RELATED:

- *Jasper Scarab Sphinx with Amphora*, 1st Mill. BC, 6th-5th c. BC, Archaic, Artefact, Amulet, Scarab, Jasper (green), 1,5 cm, Aegean, New York, Metropolitan Museum of Art, 25,78,93.

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ST.M. NR. AEG. 68 –

GOLD ENAMELLED RING WITH SEATED WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION: Seated winged sphinx.

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74.51.4061

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold/Enameled

SIZE

1,6 cm

INFORMATION:

Richter 1920: 20, no. 15, pl. 3.

Richter 1956 [1920]: 8, no. 26, pl. 5.

Richter 2006 [1920]: 8, no. 26, pl. 5.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

06,1072

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Marble, calcite

SIZE

6,4 x 16,5 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 69 -MARBLE LAMP WITH SPHINXES, GRIFFINS AND SIRENS

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

The sides of this lamp are decorated with reliefs of pairs of sphinxes, griffins and sirens, pairs of lions, ram's heads, birds and lotus flowers.

INFORMATION:

Richter 1930: 79, fig. 48. Richter 1953: 31, 183, pl. 21g. Richter 1954: 6, no. 8, pl. 11.

Lazzarini and Marconi 2014: 125, 130, fig. 23.

Picón 2007: 57, 416, no. 42.

ARYBALLOS WITH SPHINX AND TIGERS

TYPE: Pottery/Aryballos

ST.M. NR. AEG. 70 -

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinx with tigers.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1867,0508.890

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure/

Slip-painted, wheel-made, incised

SIZE

12,8 x 1,8 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



TYPE: Coin

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Chios

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinx seated before a wine jar.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 95 + fig. 267.



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9.3 cm

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Bronze SIZE St.M. Nr. Aeg. 72 – Figure Winged Sphinx with Snake-head Tail

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

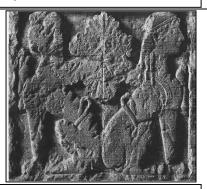
Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Recumbent winged sphinx with tail that ends in a snake-head.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 96 + fig. 269.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone SIZE 84 cm St.M. Nr. Aeg. 73 – Relief Two Sphinxes with Tree

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

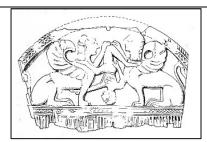
Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Two sphinxes seated back to back with a tree in between.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 82, 88 + fig. 230.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Ivory Size



TYPE: Artefact/Comb

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Sparta

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged seated sphinxes holds a man upside down in between

them.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 84 + fig. 235.

Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 110 + fig. 26.

ST.M. NR. AEG. 75 -

FRIEZE TWO PAIRS OF SEATED WINGED SPHINXES

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/East-Greece/Assos/Temple of Athena

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Temple relief with at each end a pair of seated winged sphinxes. In

between men (fighting?) and mammals.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 88-89 + fig. 250.

Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 8.

St.M. Nr. AEG. 76 -

RELIEF ALTAR WINGED STANDING SPHINXES

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

 $FIND\ SPOT:\ Aegean/East-Greece/Miletus/Temple$

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Standing winged sphinxes on the sides of an open-air altar.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 89 + fig. 253.

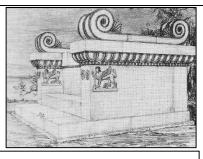


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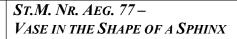
SIZE



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE 6,5 x 8,3 cm



TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. BC/ 6^{th} c. BC/600-580 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Vase in the shape of a recumbent sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Paris Musée du Louvre.



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1873,1012.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

17,7 x 22,5 cm

ST.M. Nr. AEG. 78 – PYXIS WITH SPHINXES, LIONS, SIRENS AND BIRDS

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis (Attributed to the Honolulu Painter)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/600-575 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Pyxis with female heads in relief and frieze of painted seated winged sphinxes, lions and birds.

INFORMATION:

London British Museum.



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MUSEUM NUMBER

1860,0404.35

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta

SIZ

6,5 x 8,2 x 3,6 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 79 – Perfume Bottle in the Shape of a Recumbent Sphinx

TYPE: Artefact/Pottery

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Rhodes/Kamiros

Date/Period: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/600-575 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Bottle in the shape of a recumbent sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Jenkins 1935: 126 + fig. 2.



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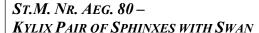
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1852,0707.14

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure/Painted, incised

18,54 x 7,62 cm



TYPE: Pottery/Kylix

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Corinth FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Aegina

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/600-575 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Outside: Two seated winged sphinxes, two swans, two eagles, two seated griffins, an owl, a horse with a horseman, lotus flowers and rosettes. Inside: A Gorgon with tongue sticking out, pomegranates.

INFORMATION:

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: B8.

ST.M. Nr. AEG. 81 -

OINOCHOE SPHINXES, LEOPARDS, BOARS, LIONS AND

GOAT

TYPE: Pottery/Oinochoe

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Corinth

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/600-575 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Oinochoe decorated with sphinxes, leopards, boars, lion, goat and a

combat of warriors.

INFORMATION:

Catalogue 1851: 421.



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1814,0704.491

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

38,1 cm





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1888,0601.563

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure

SIZE

17.5 x 30,4 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 82 -

COLUMN KRATER PAIR OF SPHINXES FLANKING BIRD

TYPE: Pottery/Krater

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Attica/Temple of Aphrodite

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/600-575 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

A pair of seated winged sphinxes; in between a (griffin-)bird.

INFORMATION:

Beazley and Payne 1929: 256, fig. 3.

Möller 2000: 229, nr. 1.



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1888,0601.546.b

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Black figure, Late Wild
Goat/Slipped, painted, incised
SIZE

12,2 x 17 x 1 cm



TYPE: Pottery/Dinos

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/East-Greece/Ionia

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Naukratis

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/600-570 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Frieze with fragment of winged sphinx and part of lion.

INFORMATION:

Villing et al. 2013: GG 407.



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74.51.4056

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold SIZE

1,5 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 84 – Golden Ring with Sphinxes and Lions

TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/600-550 BC

Archaic

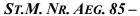
DESCRIPTION:

A pair of winged recumbent sphinxes and a pair of lions.

INFORMATION:

Myres 1914: no. 4056.

Richter 1920: 19-20, no. 14, pl. 3. Richter 2006 [1920]: 7, no. 24, pl. 5.



ATTIC BLACK-FIGURE DINOS WITH SPHINXES, SIRENS, DEER AND WILD CATS

TYPE: Pottery/Dinos (attributed to the Gorgon Painter)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica

FIND SPOT: Italy/Cerveteri (Caere)

Date/period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/6^{th}$ c. BC/ca. 580 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Decoration of different friezes with mythological creatures such as sphinxes and mermaids, animals (wild cats) and plants. With the wild cats there are some men, acting probably as a kind of Master of

Animals.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Terracotta, Black figure/ Painted, incised

93 cm

SIZE

INFORMATION:

Denoyelle 1995 : 58, no. 24.

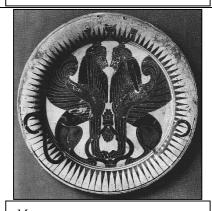


PLATE PAIR OF SEATED WINGED SPHINXES TYPE: Pottery/Plate

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Corinth

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DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 580 BC

Archaic

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

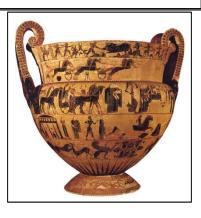
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DESCRIPTION:

Plate decorated with a pair of seated winged sphinxes. In between them a very stylized palm tree. These are two of the rare Greek male sphinxes.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 73, 77, 80 + fig. 221. Winkler-Horaček 2011a: 104 + fig. 14.



ST.M. NR. AEG. 87-VASE PAIR OF SEATED WINGED SPHINXES FLANKING

TYPE: Pottery/Vase

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

TREE (FRANÇOIS VASE)

FIND SPOT: ????

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 580 BC

Archaic

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66 cm

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Black figure SIZE

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Animal frieze with pair of seated winged sphinxes flanking tree, Caledonian boar hunt, Patroclus' funeral games, wedding procession, Achilles chases Troilus, Polyxenaat the fountain, Pygmies fight cranes.

Side B: Athenians with Theseus arrive at Crete, Lapiths fight Centaurs, wedding procession, ...

INFORMATION:

Furtwängler 1884-1890: 1760. Ilberg 1909-1915: 1354. Demisch 1977: 82 + fig. 229.



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24.97.87
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Marble
SIZE

72 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 88 – Marble Sphinx Capital

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Attica/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/580-575 BC **Archaic**

DESCRIPTION:

Seated winged sphinx that once decorated the grave of a (young) man

named Philinos or Thalinos

(Inscription: 'I am the monument of [...]linos').

INFORMATION: Richter 1926: 10.

Richter 1926 Recent: 126-127, 129, fig. 4.



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1905.343 a-b
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Terracotta/Black figure
SIZE

ST.M. NR. AEG. 89 – AMPERSAND PYXIS

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

FIND SPOT: Aegean

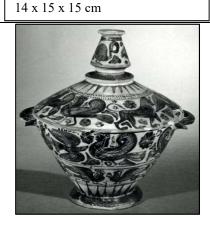
DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/580-570 BC

Corinthian

DESCRIPTION:

A seated winged sphinx between two panthers.

INFORMATION: Moon 1976.



St.M. Nr. Aeg. 90 – Pyxis or Lekanis with Sphinx, Sirens and Swans

TYPE: Pottery/Pyxis (attributed to Companion of Polos Painter)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Attica/Athens

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. BC/ 6^{th} c. BC/580-560 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Frieze with winged sphinx and a Siren, in between a large bird; two

lions flanking a second Siren.

Above: three swans in a field covered with leaves.

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1837,0412.207

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure/Painted, incised

SIZE

31 x 33 cm

INFORMATION:

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: B 14.



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28
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Marble *SIZE* 69,3 x 57 x 17 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 91 – SPATA SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Spata (probably from a grave)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/575-550 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A seated winged sphinx with on its face the typical "Archaic smile".

INFORMATION:

Schröder 2011: 157 Cat. 33.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

222 x 135 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 92 – Naxian Seated Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Architectural element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Cyclades/Naxos

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Delphi/Temple of Apollo

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/570-560 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

A seated winged female sphinx that once was part of the decoration

The body looks more like that of a dog than of a lion.

INFORMATION:

Ilberg 1909-1915: 1355.

Demisch 1977: 77, 88 + fig. 249. Schröder 2011: 141-142 + fig. 7.



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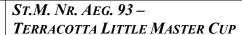
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta

SIZE

16,8 x 25,1 cm



TYPE: Pottery/Cup

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/565-550 BC

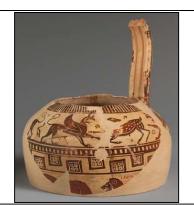
Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

On this cup a winged sphinx dominates a human being. The motif of the sphinx slaying an enemy comes from Egypt, but lost its meaning in Greece early on. For the Greek, sphinxes (and griffins) were mainly exotic monsters that attacked human beings with their claws.

INFORMATION:





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74.51.365 a-b

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta

SIZE

14,6 x 8,9 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 94 -OINOCHOE SPHINXES AND GRIFFINS ATTACK DEER

TYPE: Pottery/Oinochoe (attributed to the Altenburg Painter)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/East-Greece/Miletus

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/560-550 BC

Archaic Period

DESCRIPTION:

Shoulder: Sphinxes and griffins attack deer; water birds.

Body: Lion attacks bull.

INFORMATION:

Myres 1914: no. 1725a-b.



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23.577
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Sardonyx
SIZE
1,8 cm

ST.M. Nr. AEG. 95 – SCARAB WITH SPHINX AND SATYR

TYPE: Amulet/Scarab

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 550 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx (female?) is taken by the hair by a satyr with an erect phallus.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.



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MUSEUM NUMBER
41.162.126
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Terracotta, Black figure
SIZE

9,1 x 24,5 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 96 – Kylix with Seated Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Pottery/Kylix

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 550 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Interior: Seated winged sphinx. Exterior: Maidens.

INFORMATION:

Smith 1926: 433 note 1. Beazley 1927: 346. Von Bothmer 1962: 256.

RELATED:

- Kylix with Seated Winged Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 6th c. BC, 550-525 BC, Archaic, Pottery, Black figure, 11 x 15,2 cm, Greece, Attica, Athens, Boston, Fine Arts Museum, 95.18.
 Museum of Fine Arts Boston.
- Plate with Seated Winged Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 6th c. BC, 550-500 BC, Archaic, Pottery, Black figure, 14 cm, Greece, London, British Museum, 1890,0731.22.
 © British Museum.
- Plate Two Seated Winged Sphinxes, 1st Mill. BC, 6th c. BC, ca. 530 BC, Archaic, Pottery, Black figure, Greece, Attica, Athens, Boston, Museum of Fine Arts, 65.1167.

 \(\text{\text{O}} \) Museum of Fine Arts Boston.
- *Kylix with Seated Winged Sphinx*, 1st Mill. BC, 6th c. BC, 510-500 BC, Archaic, Pottery, Red figure, 13,97 x 38,1 cm, Greece, Athens, Found in Magna Graecia, Italy, Vulci, London, British Museum, 1836,0224.125.
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MUSEUM PARIS – MUSÉE DU LOUVRE MUSEUM NUMBER AM 93 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone SIZE 133 x 74 x 37 cm



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68.11.40
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Terracotta, Black figure
SIZE
22,7 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 97 – Sculpted Capital Two Sphinxes behind Hathor

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Cyprus FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Larnaca

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 550 BC **Archaic**/Cypro-Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

On the front of this capital is a Hathor-head with a small temple above in which door stands a *Uraeus*. At the back two sphinxes stand back to back above a Sacred Tree.

INFORMATION: Caubet 1973: 1-6.

Caubet and Pic 1982: 237-250.

Caubet and Hermary 1989: 396 no. 807.

Caubet, Hermary and Karageorghis 1992: 130-131, no. 160.

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 98 – Hydria Two Sphinxes with Eagle

TYPE: Pottery/Hydria

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Euboea

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 550 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Two seated winged sphinxes with an eagle in between them.

INFORMATION:

Von Bothmer 1969: 31-33 + fig. 7, 8.

RELATED:

- *Situla Two Sphinxes and Eagle*, 1st Mill. BC, 6th c. BC, 550-525 BC, Aegean, Rhodes, Egypt, Tell Dafana, London, British Museum, 1888,0208.12.

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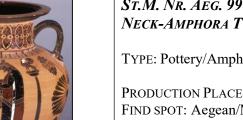
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Black figure/Painted, incised

SIZE

39,5 cm



ST.M. Nr. AEG. 99 -NECK-AMPHORA TWO SPHINXES WITH APOLLO

TYPE: Pottery/Amphora

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Athens FIND SPOT: Aegean/Magna Graecia/Italy/Vulci

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 550 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Apollo Citharoedus playing on a musical instrument; on either side of him is a Doric column, surmounted by a seated winged sphinx. A Citharoedus is a singer who accompanies himself on the

Side B: Apollo Citharoedus playing on a musical instrument. Facing him is Artemis holding in her left hand a bow and two arrows, her right hand raised to her mouth.

INFORMATION:

Catalogue 1851: 508.

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: B 260.

Rawson 1984: fig. 193a. Walters 1929: III H e Pl. 64, 1.



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98.8.16

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta, Black figure

SIZE

10.3 x 14.1 cm

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KYLIX WITH TWO SPHINXES, SIREN AND PANTHER

TYPE: Pottery/Kylix (attributed to the Tleson Painter)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/550-540 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Side A: Two sphinxes. Side B: Siren and panther.

INFORMATION:

Richter 1953: 60.

Beazley 1956: 181, no. 48.

Kossatz-Deyssmann et al. 1984: no. 105.



ST.M. NR. AEG. 101 -BAND CUP WITH ERIS AND MEN

TYPE: Pottery/Cup

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica FIND SPOT: Aegean/Magna Graecia/Italy/Vulci

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/550-525 BC

Archaic

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Black figure/Painted, incised SIZE

13,3 cm



Two beardless male figures attacking Eris, personification of chaos and strife who brings on bitterness, wars and battles, in a running attitude and looking back, with long hair, short chiton, and wings outspread. On either side, looking on, is a beardless male figure holding a wand. At either end is a winged sphinx with long hair walking and facing the scene.

INFORMATION:

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: B 387. Smith and Pryce 1926: III H e Pl. 16, 1.

St.M. Nr. AEG. 102 -

KYLIX WITH SPHINX AND NAKED MEN

TYPE: Pottery/Kylix

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Amathus/Tomb 83

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/550-525 BC

Archaic



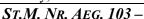


Side A: A naked youth holding a cloak on his left arm stands behind

Side B: A naked youth faces an animal with a lioness-like head.

INFORMATION:

Murray, Smith a.o. 1900: 113, 119, Tomb 83.



SARCOPHAGUS PAIR OF SEATED WINGED SPHINXES

TYPE: Monument/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Amathus/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/550-500 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of seated winged sphinxes guarding a tomb.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 86 + fig. 242.

RELATED:

Relief Pair of Winged Sphinxes Guarding Tomb, 1st Mill. BC, 5th c. BC, ca. 480 BC, Aegean, East-Greece, Xanthos, Tomb, Architectural Element, Relief, Limestone, 96 x 96 cm, London, British Museum.

Demisch 1977: 72, 85 + fig. 239.

Pair of Sphinxes Guarding Tomb, 1st Mill. BC, 5th-4th c. BC, Architectural Element, Relief, Aegean, Cyprus, Pyla, Tomb, Nicosia, Cyprus Museum. Demisch 1977: 72 + fig. 203.



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1894,1101.207

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure/

Wheel-made, slipped, painted,

incised

SIZE

12,7 cm



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



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04.1368
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Electrum
SIZE
0.6 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 104 – 1/24 Stater of Kyzikos

TYPE: Coin

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/East-Greek/Kyzikos

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/550-500 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Winged sphinx seated above a fish.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

RELATED:

- Stater of Kyzikos, 1st Mill. BC, 6th c. BC, Archaic, Aegean, East-Greece, Kyzikos, Coin, Electrum, Boston, Museum of Fine Arts, 04.1369.
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- Stater with Seated Sphinx and Tunny Fish, 1st Mill. BC, 6th
 c. BC, 530-500 BC, Archaic, Aegean, East-Greece, Kyzikos, Coin, Electrum, 0,20 cm, Boston, Museum of Fine Arts, 59.252.
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Limestone SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 105 – Limestone Winged Sphinx Tamasos

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Tamasos/Tomb

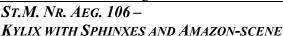
DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/550-500 BC **Cypro-Archaic**

DESCRIPTION:

A recumbent winged sphinx, one of a pair found in a tomb in Tamasos, Cyprus. Together with the sphinxes, there were also found 4 limestone lions

INFORMATION:

Herscher 1998: 331 + fig. 20.



TYPE: Pottery/Kylix

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Rhodes FIND SPOT: Aegean/Magna Graecia/Italy/Capua

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 540 BC **Archaic**



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MUSEUM NUMBER

06.1021.161

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Terracotta, Black figure

SIZE

12,9 x 25,4 cm

DESCRIPTION:

Seated winged sphinxes flanking a Amazonomachy scene.

INFORMATION:

Richter 1953: 60, 202, no. 42c. Beazley 1956: 192, 689, no. 3.

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1888,0208.71.a

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure/Painted, incised

SIZE

46 x 16 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 107 – Amphora with Sphinx and Procession of Women

TYPE: Pottery/Amphora

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/East-Greece/Klazomenai

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Tell Dafana

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 540 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Standing winged sphinx above four women who are walking in a sort

of procession.

INFORMATION:

Leclère and Spencer 2014: 119-120, fig. 7.

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: B 107.

Cook 1954: Pl. GB 582. Weber 2012: TD 102.

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 108 – Figure Bronze Seated Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 540 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Bronze winged seated sphinx wearing a flat, broad hat (petasos).

INFORMATION:

Chase 1952.

Demisch 1977: 81 + fig. 225.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Bronze SIZE

8,2 cm



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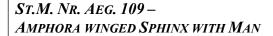
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1888,0208.101

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure/ Painted, incised

SIZE 19,6 cm



TYPE: Pottery/Amphora

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/East-Greece/Klazomenai

FIND SPOT: Egypt/Tell Dafana

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/540-530 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

A bearded male figure confronted by a winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Petrie and Griffith 1888: pl. xxx, 1.

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: B 122.

Cook 1954: Pl. GB 593, 3-4.

Weber 2012: TD 167.

Leclère and Spencer 2014: 119-120, fig. 8.



ST.M. NR. AEG. 110-HYDRIA PAIR OF SPHINXES FLANKING GORGON

TYPE: Pottery/Hydria

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Sparta FIND SPOT: Aegean/Magna Graecia/Italy/Vulci

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/540-530 BC Archaic

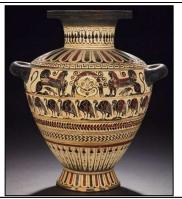
DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes flanking a Gorgon head with protruding tongue

and hair from which project snakes.

INFORMATION:

Lane 1933: 146, 187 + pl. 43, 44 a-b.



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1849,0518.14

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure/Painted, incised

SIZE

39,37 cm



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84.68

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Trachyte

SIZE

82 x 190 cm

ST.M. NR. AEG. 111 -RELIEF PAIR OF FACING SPHINXES

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: East-Greece/Anatolia/Assos (Behramkale)/Temple

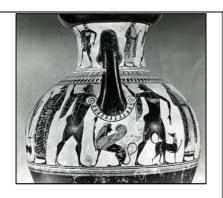
DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/540-525 BC Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Two facing recumbent winged sphinxes each with one paw resting on a column with Ionic capital that stands between them.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 229.



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1843,1103.62

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Black figure/Painted, incised
SIZE

43 x 35.5 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 112 – Amphora Seated Winged Sphinx and Men

TYPE: Pottery/Amphora (Attributed to the Affecter)

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Athens FIND SPOT: Aegean/Magna Graecia/Italy/Vulci

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/540-520 BC **Archaic**

DESCRIPTION:

Below the handle of this amphora sits a winged sphinx, looking back over its shoulder; a scene with a warrior; a second scene with a second warrior who is offered a pomegranate by a bearded man; two dogs and a fawn; two male figures talking to each other; a few other men. The other side shows a similar scene.

INFORMATION:

Catalogue 1851: 566.

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: B 152.

Walters 1927: III H e, Pl. 25, 3.

RELATED:

Skyphos Pair of Sphinxes Flanking Man, 1st Mill. BC, 6th-5th c. BC, 540-480 BC, Archaic, Pottery, Black figure, Painted, incised, 8,89 cm, Greece, Attica, Found in East-Greece, Thymbra, London, British Museum 1877,0930.26.

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TOMB STELE SEATED WINGED SPHINX, YOUTH AND LITTLE GIRL

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Attica/Tomb

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 530 BC **Archaic**

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11.185 a-c, f, g 11.185 d, x

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Marble

Size

423,4 cm

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx seated on top of a tomb stele.

INFORMATION:

Robinson 1913.

Richter 1940: 178-80, figs. 1-4. Richter 1941: 159, 161 + figs. 1-7.

Hall 1944: 334 + Pl. VII.

Hill 1944: 357-58, Pl. XIII, fig. 5.

Richter 1944: 324, + figs. 1, 5 + Pl. VII. Richter and Hall 1944: 233-234 + Pl. I.

Chase 1945: fig. 2. Chase 1946: fig. 3.

Demisch 1977: 87 + fig. 244. Schröder 2011: 138 + fig. 3.

RELATED:

- *Tomb Stele Seated Winged Sphinx*, 1st Mill. BC, 6th c. BC, 540-530 BC, Archaic, Marble, 141,7 cm, Aegean, Greece, Tomb, Boston, Museum of Fine Arts, 40.576.
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 - Chase 1945; Chase 1946; Demisch 1977: 87 + fig. 245.
- Bronze Seated Winged Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 6th c. BC, ca. 550 BC, Archaic, Figure, Bronze, Aegean, Greece, Baltimore, Walters Art Museum, 54.770.
 - © Walters Art Gallery Baltimore. Hill 1944: 358 + Pl. XIII figs. 6-8.

ST.M. Nr. AEG. 114 – SEATED WINGED SPHINX ON CAPITAL

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 525 BC **Archaic**

DESCRIPTION:

Possibly found on the road from Boeotia to Delphi. Winged sphinx sitting on capital.

INFORMATION:

Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

RELATED:

- Seated Winged Sphinx on Capital, 1st Mill. BC, 6th-5th c. BC, Archaic, Artefact, Figure, Bronze, 4,7 cm, Aegean, Greece, Tomb, Princeton, University Art Museum, 57.59.
 F.F.J. 1958.
- Seated Winged Sphinx on Capital, 1st Mill. BC, 6th-5th c. BC, Archaic, Artefact, Figure, Bronze, 4 cm, Aegean, Boston, Museum of Fine Arts, 1975.364.

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SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 115 – Figure Two Sphinxes on Temple Apollo Delphi

TYPE: Architectural Element/Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Delphi/Temple of Apollo

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/ca. 525 BC **Archaic**

DESCRIPTION:

Two seated winged sphinxes flanking a scene with warriors and horses engaged in a fight.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 89 + fig. 251. Rösch-von der Heyde 1999: 8.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 116 – Lekythos Sphinx Attacked by Oedipus

TYPE: Pottery/Lekythos

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th c. BC/525-500 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Oedipus standing with a stick in his hand before a standing sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Goldman 1911: 378-382 + fig. 1.

Demisch 1977: fig. 279.

RELATED:

Lekythos Oedipus Slaying the Sphinx, 1st Mill. BC, 5th c. BC, 420-400 BC, Pottery, Red figure, Relief, Painted, Gilded, 19,05 cm, Greece, Attica, Athens, Found in Aegean, Cyprus, Polis Chrysochous, Tomb, London, British Museum, 1887,0801.46.

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FIGURE STANDING WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Figure/Figurine

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Sparta/Temple of Artemis Orthia

Date/Period: 1^{st} Mill. $BC/6^{th}$ - 5^{th} c. BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Standing winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Richter 1953: 34.



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24.195.110

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Lead

SIZE



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1846,0629.19

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Gold SIZE

2,2 x 2 cm



TYPE: Jewellery/Ring

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/550-450 BC

Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes standing face to face, one paw raised.

INFORMATION: Marshall 1908: 24.

ST.M. Nr. AEG. 119 – LEKYTHOS SPHINX LOOKING AT TOMB

TYPE: Pottery/Lekythos

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Corinth

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/540-480 BC Archaic

DESCRIPTION:

A seated winged sphinx looks over its shoulder at a tomb, represented by a short Ionic column on a plinth. On either side stands a beardless male figure, leaning on a staff. Beyond, on either side, a Doric column.

INFORMATION:

Walters, Forsdyke and Smith 1893: B 650.

ST.M. NR. AEG. 120-PAIR OF SPHINXES TOUCHING SACRED TREE

TYPE: Architectural Element/Relief

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus/Athienou

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/ca. 500 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Pair of winged sphinxes standing upright and touching a Sacred Tree that stands in between them.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 72 + fig. 204.



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1865,0727.1

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

Black figure/Painted, incised SIZE

20,32 cm



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NEW YORK -

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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE



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ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Stone SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 121 – Cut Stone Winged Crowned Bull-sphinx

TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: ???? FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/ca. 500 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Striding winged bull-sphinx wearing a crown.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 76, 93, 96 + fig. 270.



MUSEUM

PARIS-

CABINET DES MÉDAILLES

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Aeg. 122 – Lekythos Winged Sphinx Attacking Man

TYPE: Pottery/Lekythos

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th C BC/ca. 500 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A human-headed sphinx attacks a running man; two other men are watching the scene.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: fig. 272.

Winkler-Horaček 2011c: 164-165 + fig. 2.



MUSEUM

MÜNCHEN – STAATLICHEN ANTIKEN SAMMLUNGEN

MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE

SIZE

ST.M. Nr. Aeg. 123 – Plate Two Striding Winged Sphinxes with Theseus Killing the Minotaur

TYPE: Pottery/Plate

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/ca. 500 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Two winged sphinxes looking back over their shoulder at a scene that shows Theseus killing the Minotaur at the centre and men and women looking on from left and right.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 83 + fig. 234.



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BERLIN –
STAATLICHEN MUSEEN
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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Stone SIZE



TYPE: Artefact

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/6th-5th c. BC/ca. 500 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A winged sphinx bends over a captured enemy.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 84, 93 + fig. 236.



MUSEUM
LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM
MUSEUM NUMBER
1917,0701.147
MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Limestone

SIZE 30 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 125 – Figure Female Wearing Sphinx-Diadem

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean FIND SPOT: Aegean/Cyprus

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/5th c. BC/500-475 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A female figure wearing a necklace and a diadem decorated with sphinxes, palmettes and lotus buds.

INFORMATION:

Pryce and Smith 1892: C 312.



MUSEUM LONDON – BRITISH MUSEUM MUSEUM NUMBER

MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE
Marble
SIZE

ST.M. NR. AEG. 126 – STELE SEATED WINGED SPHINX

TYPE: Figure

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Greece/Attica/Athens (?)

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/5th c. BC/ca. 450 BC

DESCRIPTION:

A slender seated winged sphinx that used to decorate a stele.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 88 + fig. 248.



MUSEUM BOSTON – MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS MUSEUM NUMBER 06.2447 MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Ceramic/Red figure

SIZE 33,2 x 16,7 cm

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 127 – Amphora Oedipus and the Sphinx of Thebes

TYPE: Pottery/Amphora

PRODUCTION PLACE: Aegean/Greece/Attica/Athens

FIND SPOT: Aegean

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/5th c. BC/450-440 BC

DESCRIPTION:

Oedipus and the Sphinx of Thebes are depicted on this vase. Having solved its riddle, Oedipus saved the city of Thebes from the wrath of this bizarre monster.

On the back of the amphora is another youth.

INFORMATION:

Goldman 1911: 382-385 + fig. 2.



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MATERIAL/TECHNIQUE Gold SIZE

St.M. Nr. Aeg. 128 – Gold Pendant in Shape of Winged Sphinx

TYPE: Jewellery/Pendant

PRODUCTION PLACE: ????

FIND SPOT: Aegean/Crete/Curium

DATE/PERIOD: 1st Mill. BC/4th c. BC

DESCRIPTION:

A pendant in the shape of a seated winged sphinx.

INFORMATION:

Demisch 1977: 94 + fig. 263.