

	Object:	Emperor Trajan
	Museum:	Museum August Kestner Trammplatz 3 30159 Hannover (0511) 168-42730 museen- kulturgeschichte@hannover- stadt.de
	Collection:	Ancient Cultures, Gemmen, Kameen und Glaspasten. Die Sammlung geschnittener Steine
	Inventory number:	K 759

Description

Trajan was one of the most successful and popular emperors of the Roman Empire. A military career seemed preordained when he served as legionary legate in Syria or as military tribune (tribunus militum) on the Rhine and Euphrates in the 70s. In October 97 AD, Emperor Nerva adopted him in his absence and granted him the title of Caesar as co-regent. When Nerva died the following year, Trajan became sole ruler of an empire he had served as an outstanding military leader. It was under his reign that the Roman Empire achieved its greatest expansion. (AVS)

Former August Kestner Collection, Rome

Detailed description

Porträtbüste Trajans im Profil. Büstenasatz mit geknöpftem Paludamentum. Im Haar Lorbeerkrantz, siebenstrahlige Tiara.

Basic data

Material/Technique:	Carnelian / carved
Measurements:	Height: 1.39 cm, width: 1.16 cm

Events

Created	When	97 CE-117 CE
	Who	

Collected	Where	Ancient Rome
	When	
	Who	August Kestner (1777-1853)
	Where	Rome
[Relation to person or institution]	When	
	Who	Trajan (53-117)
	Where	

Keywords

- Emperor
- Engraved gem

Literature

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