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| | <p>Object: Aryballos with elephant head</p> <p>Museum: Museum August Kestner Trammplatz 3 30159 Hannover (0511) 168-42730 museen- kulturgeschichte@hannover- stadt.de</p> <p>Collection: Ancient Cultures</p> <p>Inventory number: 2002.63</p> |
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Description

Aryballos with an elephant's head as a handle, on whose head an eyelet is attached. The spherical body is decorated with inlays of various metals that once expressed a special colourfulness. Garland-holding erotes and birds can be seen in the lunettes. The decoration of this ointment vessel is entirely in keeping with the opulence and prosperity propagated during Augustus' Principate. (AVS)

Basic data

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| Material/Technique: | Bronze / chased, cast; inlays of brass, silver and copper |
| Measurements: | Height: 11.5 cm, Diameter: 9 cm |

Events

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| Created | When | 40 v. Chr.-10 n. Chr. |
| | Who | |
| | Where | Rome |
| [Relation to person or institution] | When | |
| | Who | Augustus (-63-14) |
| | Where | |

Keywords

- Aryballos
- Elephantidae
- Erotes