

	Object:	Apollon Delphinios (Volutenlampe)
	Museum:	Museum August Kestner Trammplatz 3 30159 Hannover (0511) 168-42730 museen- kulturgeschichte@hannover- stadt.de
	Collection:	Ancient Cultures, Oil lamps and lighting devices
	Inventory number:	952

Description

The lamp mirror shows the bust of Apollo with a halo, flanked by two dolphins. This combination is reminiscent of the depiction of Apollo Delphinios, whose cult was one of the most important in Miletus in Asia Minor.

It combines religion and politics in a special way, for the cult of Apollo Delphinios controlled access to civic status from the 7th century BC until about 400 AD. (AVS)

Former August Kestner Collection, Rome

Basic data

Material/Technique:	Clay / from the mould
Measurements:	Length: 10.4 cm, height: 2.9 cm, width: 7.2 cm

Events

Created	When	30 CE-100 CE
	Who	
	Where	Westküste Kleinasiens (Türkei)
Collected	When	
	Who	August Kestner (1777-1853)
	Where	Rome

[Relationship to location]	When	
	Who	
	Where	Miletus
[Relation to person or institution]	When	
	Who	Apollo
	Where	

Keywords

- Dolphin
- Oil lamp

Literature

- Mlasowsky, Alexander (1993): Die antiken Tonlampen im Kestner-Museum Hannover. Hannover, 332 Nr. 315