

Magical gem: Crocodile with roosters

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References	Bonner, SMA D. 381; Schwartz-Schwartz, 36
Former Collections	Newell, Edward T. Collection
Material	onyx (banded)
Dimensions	18 x 14 x 4 mm
Dating	post-antique? (Schwartz) animal: crocodile; head, unidentified; bird: cocks (2);
Iconography	vessel: amphora; head, of bull; figure, unidentified



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A: Crocodile, head to left, with mouth open. On its back, a broad face with long hair (Bonner: Hathor?), the head topped with an amphora. On each side of the amphora, a cock facing inwards. Under the bird on the right, above the crocodile's tail, the head of an ox. On the left, in front of the crocodile, unidentified object or figure (Bonner: a symbol intended to represent a disk between horns, or a bud; Schwartz: man fleeing from crocodile). Letters and characteres in the free field: above the scene: οπ*Character*β, below the unidentified figure: ιβ.

B: Plain.

Perhaps post-antique (Schwartz).

Bibliography

[Bonner, SMA on CBd-1532](#)

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