

Magical gem: Demeter enthroned (A) Greek inscription (B)

CBd-Number	CBd-2020
ID-Number	DE-Berlin-Aeg_11939a
Collection	DE_Berlin, Staatliche Museen zu Berlin, Ägyptisches Museum
Inventory	11939a
References	Philipp, <i>Mira et Magica</i> , no. 44; Michel, <i>DMG</i> , no. 12.1_2
Former Collections	Stosch, Philipp von, Collection
Material	jasper, green and red
Dimensions	14.5 x 10 x 3 mm
Dating	1st c. BC-1st c. AD (H. Philipp)
Iconography	moon, crescent; throne; snake; clothing: tunic; clothing: mantle; vessel: patera?; Demeter; plant: stalks of grain (2); headdress: ant; diadem
Divine Names & Voces	Ἀβραξιάς



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A: Demeter seated to front on a throne. She is crowned with a diadem and wears a tunic, her mantle is in her lap. Left hand raised and holding two stalks of grain, right hand holding a patera (?). On the right, a rearing snake, on the left, an ant. Above, a crescent open to top.

B: Inscription in two lines: εἰωχρονε|αβρα[.]ας → voces including Ἀβραξιάς.

Bibliography

[Philipp, *Mira et Magica* on CBd-2020](#)

[Michel, *DMG*, 12.1_2.](#)

Images

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