

# Magical gem: Harpocrates on a lotus in a papyrus boat (A) Ouroboros enclosing characteres (B)

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<b>Inventory</b>	ÄS 04190
<b>Material</b>	jasper, red
<b>Dimensions</b>	25 x 17.5 x 3.9 mm
<b>Iconography</b>	boat, papyrus; crown, unspecified; moon, crescent; star; animal: cynocephalus; bird: falcon; solar disk; Harpocrates sitting on lotus flower; Harpocrates seated with knees drawn up; gesture, hand raised to mouth; gesture, greeting; flail; plant: lotus buds (2); rays (6)



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**Description:** Upright oval, both faces flat. Shape 8-9. Red jasper. Intact, save for a small chip on the edge.

**A:** Harpocrates sitting to left on a lotus flower in the middle of a papyrus boat; the flower has two lotus stalks with buds. The god's knees are drawn up, his right hand raised to his mouth, his left holds a flail. His head is crowned with the solar disk and six rays. A crowned falcon (?) sits on the right end of the boat. On the left end of the boat a cynocephalus stands to right, facing the god and raising its paws in a greeting gesture. In the free space above the god an eight-pointed star on the right, and a crescent on the left.

**B:** Ouroboros enclosing three characteres.

## Bibliography

[Wildung 1976](#) 138, no. 85.

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