Magical gem in a gold setting: Harpocrates on a lotus flower (A) Greek inscription (B)

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References	Michel, DMG, no. 19.1.a_13; Mastrocinque, SGG II, no. Fi 4
Material	jasper, green and red
Dimensions	17.3 x 12.9 x 2.4 mm
Iconography	Harpocrates sitting on lotus flower; Harpocrates seated with one leg bent in knee; solar disk; ribbon; gesture, hand raised to mouth; flail; plant: lotus flower; plant: lotus buds (2)
Divine Names & Voces	voces, unidentified



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Description: Upright oval, both faces flat. Shape 8–9. Green and red jasper. Mounted in a modern gold setting with a small suspension hoop.

A: Harpocrates, crowned with the solar disk, ribbon in his hair. The young god is sitting on a lotus flower with two buds, left leg bent in knee, right hand raised to mouth, left hand holding a flail. **B**: Greek inscription in eight lines: $o\beta\nu\iota|\zeta\rhoo\epsilon\chi\tau|\rhoo\chi\nu\psio|\epsilon\psi\theta\epsilon\omega\pi|o\epsilon\nuo\nu\tau|\beta\rho\theta\epsilon\theta|\chi\beta\nuo\chi|\nuo\chi\gamma → unidentified voces.$

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