

Magical gem: Solomon spearing Lilith (A) σφραγὶς θεοῦ (B)

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References	Michel, BM, no. 436; Michel, DMG, no. 44.1.b_10
Material	haematite (black)
Dimensions	25 x 15 x 4 mm
Dating	4th c. AD (Michel)
Iconography	animal: horse; weapon: spear; star; Solomon; shoes, unspecified; Lilith; gesture, defensive; rays; clothing: tunic; clothing: mantle; gesture, lying
Divine Names & Voces	Σολομών



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A: Rider on a rearing horse to right (Solomon). He is wearing shoes, tunic, mantle, and crown with rays, stabbing a woman lying on the earth with a spear held in his right hand. The woman has long hair and is raising her right hand in a defensive gesture (Lilith). In the free field: an eight-pointed star in front of the head of the rider. Inscription around, beginning above the tail of the horse: σολομων → Σολομών.

B: Inscription in three lines: σφραγισθ|εου → σφραγὶς θεοῦ. 'Seal of God.'

Bibliography

[Michel, BM on CBd-794](#)

[Dasen 2011b](#), 72, pls. 8a-b.

[The British Museum Collection database on CBd-794](#)

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