

## Magical gem: Crab-like scarab with stars

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<b>Collection</b>	GB_London, The British Museum
<b>Inventory</b>	G 1986,5-1,119
<b>References</b>	Michel, BM, no. 578; Michel, DMG, no. 33.2_3
<b>Former Collections</b>	Ogden Collection
<b>Material</b>	haematite (black)
<b>Dimensions</b>	14 x 12 x 12 mm
<b>Dating</b>	1st c. BC (Michel)
<b>Iconography</b>	scarab; stars (5)



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A: Scarab from above, surrounded with five eight-pointed stars. The beetle has four pairs of legs, its antennae are crescent-shaped, resembling a crab.

B: High, conical reverse, drilled through, with a modern wire. Plain.

### Bibliography

[Michel, BM on CBd-937](#)

[The British Museum Collection database on CBd-937](#)

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