

	<p>Object: Zoomorphic plate</p> <p>Museum: Національний музей історії України вулиця Володимирська, 2 01001 Київ +380442784864 history_museum@nmiu.org</p> <p>Collection: Скарбниця НМІУ, Пам'ятки ювелірного мистецтва 4–14 ст.</p> <p>Inventory number: АЗС-82</p>
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## Description

This relief plate in the form of a zoomorphic figure impresses with its dynamics. The old master managed to convey swift movement of the animal. There is a jagged mouth with a long protruding tongue. The mane has the appearance of a wide arc with longitudinal and transverse serrated lines. The hooves are sickle-shaped, while the tail is absent. The gilding is partially preserved on the mane and hooves. According to different interpretations, the figurine depicts either a lion, or a horse, or a fantastic creature. The plate has through holes, obviously, it was attached to a rigid base. This thing could be a decoration of a saddle, a weapon, clothing or a ritual object.

## Basic data

Material/Technique: Silver, gilding, casting, engraving  
Measurements: l 63, w 95 mm

## Events

Created	When	500-700 pp. н. е.
	Who	
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	Who	
	Where	Martynivka
[Relationship to location]	When	

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Where Ukraine

## Keywords

- Раннє Середньовіччя
- Слов'яни