

	Object: Diadem
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	Inventory number: ДМ-1783

Description

The diadem consists of seven kiot-like plates and two trapezoidal ones, which serve as the completion of it. The ornamentation consists of four twice-repeated compositions symmetrically arranged around the central kiot. In the center there is a scene of Alexander the Great's flight in a chariot pulled by griffins to the heaven. Alexander is depicted in clothing with a jeweled breastplate and loros. High crown with three teeth is on the head. On the pair plates, located on both sides, in the center there is a rosette with petals in the form of lilies inscribed in the heart-shaped figures. Similar lilies and shoots are depicted in the rectangles surrounding the rosette. Above and below the composition is bordered with branches sprouting from rectangles. On the next pair of plates, the central rosette is filled with a composition of shoots. It is surrounded by rectangles filled with crosses on the background of white enamel. The last pair has a composition with a circle, in the center of which there is a rosette and a combination of quads filled with crosses and lilies. On the trapezoidal plates, the image of the rosette repeats the image on the plates surrounding the central plate.

In the lower part of the plate there are loops for pendants, five pearls are attached to the upper shaped edges. The plates were connected by cords into one decoration.

Probably, the diadem was an ornament of a woman's headdress, and its decorative motifs were given apotropaic meaning.

Basic data

Material/Technique:	Gold, enamel, pearls, forging, embossing, cloisonné enamel
Measurements:	l 350, h 65 mm

Events

Created	When	1100-1300
	Who	
	Where	
Found	When	1900
	Who	
	Where	село Сахнівка
Owned	When	
	Who	Варвара Миколаївна Ханенко (Терещенко) (1852-1922)
	Where	

Keywords

- Доба Середньовіччя
- Прикраса
- Русь