Object: Leaf-like harness decoration

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Description

The plate is leaf-shaped relief harness decoration. Entire surface on the front side is occupied by a stylized image of a lily-like flower bordered by shoots. There is gilding in the recesses of the ornament. Pins are for fastening on the back.

They originated from the burial of a warrior with a horse, which was found by excavation workers in 1900. Among the numerous grave goods were a sword, an axe, silver plates of different sizes from harness, copper tambourines, glass checkers, dice, a dagger with a bone handle, Arab dirhams and iron stirrups. The floral ornament on the plates echoes the decoration of the sword hilt found in the same burial and has direct analogies in Hungarian antiquities.

Such finds may testify either to the participation of the buried soldier in campaigns on the territory tangential to the Hungarian ones, or to the connections of the Kyiv princely court with the Hungarian royal court.

Basic data

Material/Technique: Silver, casting, engraving, gilding

Measurements: 1 56, w 70 mm

Events

Created When 900 CE-1000

Who

Where

Found When 1900

Who

Where Ріг вулиць О. Гончара та Рейтарської

[Relationship to location]

Who

When

Where Ukraine

Keywords

• Accoutrements

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