



Head of a Woman

Date

250-200 BC

Primary Maker

Roman

Medium

terracotta, misfired. Pale orange under darkened surface and friable.

Description

Grave offering or votive is Tanagra type with melon coiffure from region of Campania (southern Italy). Solid and from bivalve mold. Though piece was purportedly found on island of Capri, other batch members' similarity to Hellenistic finds from Paestrum shrine and fragment's own slight resemblance to terracotta head from site justify broader attribution.

Dimensions

Overall: 1 7/8 x 1 1/16 x 1 1/2 in. (4.7 x 2.7 x 3.8 cm) Base: 7/8 x 1 1/8 in. (2.3 x 2.9 cm)