

Basic Detail Report



Comb

Date

43-409

Medium

Boxwood

Description

Roman double sided comb. It has a central bar with teeth each side; one set is larger than the other making it appropriate for combing both course and fine hair. This

comb is made of brown box wood suggesting that it was a comb for a man, as the Roman army issued boxwood combs to their men. The combs would have been important in army camps where lice would have been rife. Found in Fleet Ditch in 1847. London.

Dimensions

Object/Work: 7 x 5.5 x 0.7 mm