

ROMAN AMPHORAE FROM WINCHESTER

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- 1) S<sup>Δ</sup>O<sub>v</sub>(?)D . Stamp on the handle of a Dressel 20 amphora. This stamp is not in Callender (1965) or Ponsich (1974; 1979). Dressel 20 amphora come from the Guadalquivir region of Spain, between Seville and Cordoba, where they were used for the transportation of olive-oil.
  
- 2) Flat-bottomed amphora with a distinctive grooved-rim (Ph914. VR 74V 397/395). Fairly hard smooth sandy fabric, reddish-yellow (Munsell 5YR 7/6-7/8) throughout. A thin section revealed frequent grains of quartz, flecks of mica and a little limestone, giving no real indications of origin. However, recent research by Elizabeth Deniaux suggests that similar forms were made in Normandy during the second half of the first century A.D. and the second century (personal communication; see also Deniaux, 1980, Coutances no.11 and Lisieux no.8). It is quite likely, therefore, that the Winchester example also comes from this area.

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