

WINE BOTTLE

Unique ID: MAS-D100068

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

Two green glass wine bottles that appear to have the flat band-like collar around the rim which is typical of Continental (particularly French) wine bottles; the type appeared around the middle of the 19th century. This particular shape was - and still is - referred to as a 'hock' or Rhine wine and was one of the three dominant styles of wine bottles that bridge the time from at least the mid-19th century to the present day.

Hock wine bottles are of German or French origin and during the 19th century, typically contained both red and white Rhine and Mosel wines. The distinctive shape of these bottles is typified by being tall and slender with no sharp break where the body merges into the shoulder and the shoulder becomes the neck. They were typically free-blown or dip moulded, often exhibiting pontil scars where the glass was broken away from the rod. Hock wine bottles from the 19th and early 20th centuries are most often seen in shades of olive green or amber, but were produced commonly in a wide array of other colours ([Society for Historical Archaeology webpage](#), accessed Sept 2017).

Notes:

These items were found with six stoneware seltzer bottles ([MAS-D100065](#)), four stoneware beverage bottles ([MAS-D100066](#)), three aqua glass bottles ([MAS-D100071](#)), one Hamilton bottle ([MAS-D100072](#)), four small stoneware ink bottles ([MAS-D100074](#)), six small bowls ([MAS-D100076](#)) and an egg cup ([MAS-D100078](#)).

All of these items were recovered from the wreck of SS *Strathclyde*, a British trading steamship built in 1871 in Blackwood, Port Glasgow. The ship sank in 1876 off Dover whilst carrying 23 passengers and 47 crew for Bombay, following a collision with *Franconia* and resulting in the loss of 38 lives.

NRHE and Kent HER reference numbers cited in this record refer to the wreck of SS *Strathclyde*.

The location of SS *Strathclyde* was taken from the British National Grid co-ordinate from the National Record of the Historic Environment.

Class: Container **Sub class:** Bottle

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: With finder

Subsequent action after recording: Submitted as wreck to the Receiver of Wreck

Wreck details

Droit number: 173/17

Chronology

Broad period: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Period from: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Period to: MODERN

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 2

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 24th July 2017

Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: L R

Identified by: L M

Secondary identifier: V L

Other reference numbers

NRHE monument number: 813607

Other reference: Kent HER Number: TR 33 NW 23

Droit ID: 173/17

Materials and construction

Primary material: Glass

Manufacture method: Blown

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

County or Unitary authority: [Kent](#) (County)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TR3438

Four figure Latitude: 51.09353995

Four figure longitude: 1.34042371

1:25K map: TR3438

1:10K map: TR33NW

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Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Diving

Discovery circumstances: Diving

Current location: With finder

