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Christian Roman Red-Ware Fragment: Chi-Rho

An ancient Early Christian Roman red-ware platter fragment with an impressed Christogram: Chi-Rho.

North African Red-Ware, Terra Sigillata Africana.
Ca. 400 - 500 AD.
Height: 3 1/2 in. (9 cm).

From the 1st century AD onward, North African red-slip ware production expanded greatly and began to replace Italian Terra Sigillata pottery, and compete with Gallic wares in Southern France. Nova Karthago was the center of production but smaller factories soon cropped up throughout Numidia and Byzacena.

Formerly in a New Jersey private collection.

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