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Roman Gold Shield Earring

A large ancient Roman gold earring with a domed oval shields with applied spiral gold wire, with triple circular bosses below surrounded by panels of granulated gold spheres.

Ca. 1st - 3rd century AD.
Height: 2 1/2 in. (6.4 cm); weight: 5.69 gm.

Formerly in a New York private collection; Sotheby's, New York, December 8, 2000, lot 173.

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