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Roman Oil Lamp: Boxer

An ancient Roman pottery oil lamp with an image of a kneeling contemplative boxer wearing caetsi in the discus.

Gallic or British workshop.
Ca. 75 -125 AD.
Length: 3 1/2 in. (9 cm).

A full lamp of this type would burn for two or three hours.Loeschcke Type IV.

cf.: D. M. Bailey, A Catalogue of Lamps in the British Museum, Vol. III, Roman Provincial Lamps, (London, 1980), p. 161, Q1532 PRB.

Formerly in an American private collection.

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