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XXVI DYNASTY LATE PERIOD 7-6TH CENTURIES BC

SIZE : 3.5 CM HIGH X 2.5 CM WIDE

1½ INS HIGH X 1 INS WIDE

LITERATURE

THIS AMULET REPRESENTS THE GODDESSES ISIS, NEBHAT AND HORUS AS PROTECTRESSES. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN WORN IN THE CENTRE OF THE CHEST OR STOMACH TOGETHER WITH A LINE OF 'ZAD' AMULETS.

IN ANCIENT EGYPT AMULETS WERE PUT UPON THE DEAD TO MAGICALLY BENEFIT THEM IN A FUTURE EXISTENCE. AMULETS ARE WORN ALL OVER THE WORLD BY MANY DIFFERENT PEOPLES AND HAVE THE SYMBOLIC PURPOSE, THROUGH SYMPATHETIC MAGIC, OF CONFERRING QUALITIES, OF PROTECTION FROM DANGER, OR BOTH.