

Basic Detail Report



Roman Denarius, L. Antestius Gragulus

Date

137 B.C.E. - 127 B.C.E.

Primary Maker

Unknown artist, Roman (Ancient)

Medium

Silver

Description

This silver denarius of Lucius Antestius Gragulus, a Roman Republican moneyer, depicts the head of Roma wearing a winged helmet on its obverse, with the inscription GRAG. On its reverse, the sky-god Jupiter drives a quadriga, or four-horse chariot, facing right, holding a scepter, a thunderbolt, and the reins. The reverse is also inscribed with L. ANTES. This coin is a part of the Paine Coin Collection. This teaching collection of 32 Greek and Roman

coins was formed by John Alsop Paine (1840 – 1912), Class of 1859, who was an archaeologist with the Palestine Exploration Society and a Curator in the Department of Casts at the Metropolitan Museum of Art from 1889 until 1906. The collection came to the college through John Alsop Paine's grandson, Nathaniel Emmons Paine (1853 – 1948), Class of 1874.

Dimensions

Diameter: 3/4 in. (1.9 cm)