



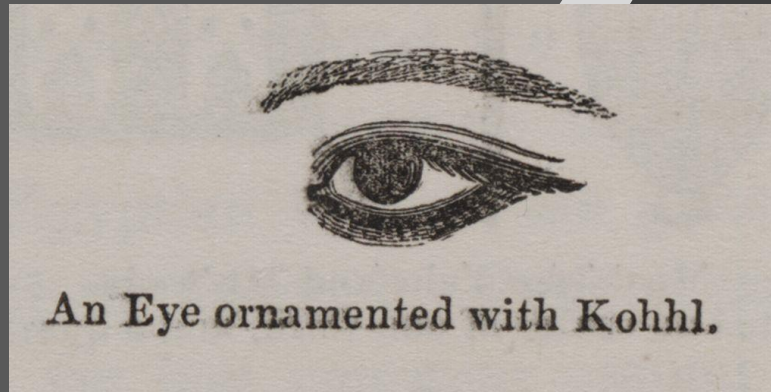
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Faience Kohl Container

From Cyfartha Castle, collected by Major
Southey

Make up, Religion and Convenience in the
Afterlife

What's Kohl at Home?



'File:An Eye ornamented with Kohhl. (1836) –
TIMEA by Lane, E. W. (Edward William), 1801-
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- Make up
 - Malachite and Galena from Asia
- Medicine
 - Ancient sunshades
 - Fly deterrent
- Tombs and temples
 - Mummy
 - Statues of the gods

An Unimpressive Pot?

- Kohl pot or water pot for scribes?
- Restoration as damage
- Rich or poor?
- Design standard – Middle Kingdom

New kingdom
(18th/19th dynasty)



New Kingdom (18th dynasty)



Middle Kingdom (12th
dynasty)



Images of 4 other kohl pots from
<<https://www.britishmuseum.org/collection/egypt>> [accessed 02/02/2023]

2nd intermediate period





'Isis seated on a throne with the Horus as child on her lap' from
<<https://www.britishmuseum.org/collection/egypt>> [accessed 06/02/2023]

All that glitters

- 18th - 19th Dynasty
- Quality of pot a reflection of its owner
- Lapis lazuli
- Sun and stars



'winged Goddess' and 'openwork faience ring' from
<<https://www.metmuseum.org/art/the-collection>> [accessed 06/02/2023]



You can take it all with you...

- Continuation of life, continuation of needs and wants
- The real thing
- Models or images of the real thing
- Kohl pots noted as essential



'Model of an Egyptian boat in XII Dynasty Tomb (sailing vessel; riverboat)' from
<<https://wordpress.org/openverse/image/93e516f2-7b41-49bd-8d73-537a63d60a6b>>
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Religion and Science



- The Eye of Horus – The sun god
 - Rebirth and godly power
 - Protection
- Parts of the Eye influencing the senses
 - Ability and quality of life in the next

- Opening of the Mouth Ceremony
 - “You are shrouded with the Eye of Horus.
You are filled with the Eye of Horus.
You are filled with the Eye of Horus as is the god...
the fragrance of the Eye of Horus belongs to you.”

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