

## Assessment of Finds from Malham, North Yorkshire (OSA02 WB25)

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Eight finds from a watching brief at Malham carried out by On Site Archaeology were submitted for identification and assessment (Site Code OSA02 WB25). The finds consist of iron and glass and are mostly undatable. Where they can be dated, however, they are of recent date (ie possibly 20<sup>th</sup> century).

### Description

#### Iron

Five fragments of iron were recovered. Three of these were nails. One is a piece of sheet iron of unknown function and the last a binding strip. Such strips had (and still have) many functions but are most commonly used as a method of binding together the sides of a wooden box or crate. None of these items is intrinsically datable (except in the broadest of terms) but their condition does not suggest any great age.

Context	Trench	Cname	Form	Subfabric	Part	Description
	F29	IRON	BINDING STRIP	BS		NARROW STRIP WITH ONE NAIL;PROBABLY BROKEN AT BOTH ENDS
1013	F29	IRON	NAIL	BROKEN		CIRCULAR FLAT HEAD;SQUARE-SECTIONED SHAFT
1013	F29	IRON	NAIL	BS		SHAFT ONLY;SQUARE-SECTIONED TAPERING TO A POINT
1023	WB	IRON	NAIL	COMPLETE		CIRCULAR FLAT HEAD;SQUARE-SECTIONED SHAFT;BENT AT RIGHT ANGLES AT TIP;TOTAL THICKNESS OF WOOD THEREFORE C.50MM
1026	F29	IRON	SHEET	BS		FEATURELESS SHEET;CORROSION ON BOTH SIDES IS FINE-TEXTURED GROUNDMASS WITH IMPRESSIONS OF STRAW, FLY PUPAE AND SEEDS, IE PROBABLY DUNG/MANURE

#### Glass

Two fragments of clear window glass were recovered. They are likely to be of modern date.

Context	Trench	Cname	Form	Subfabric	Part	Description
1013	F29	PMGL	WIND CLEAR	BS		MODERN
1055	F32	PMGL	WND CLEAR	BS		MODERN