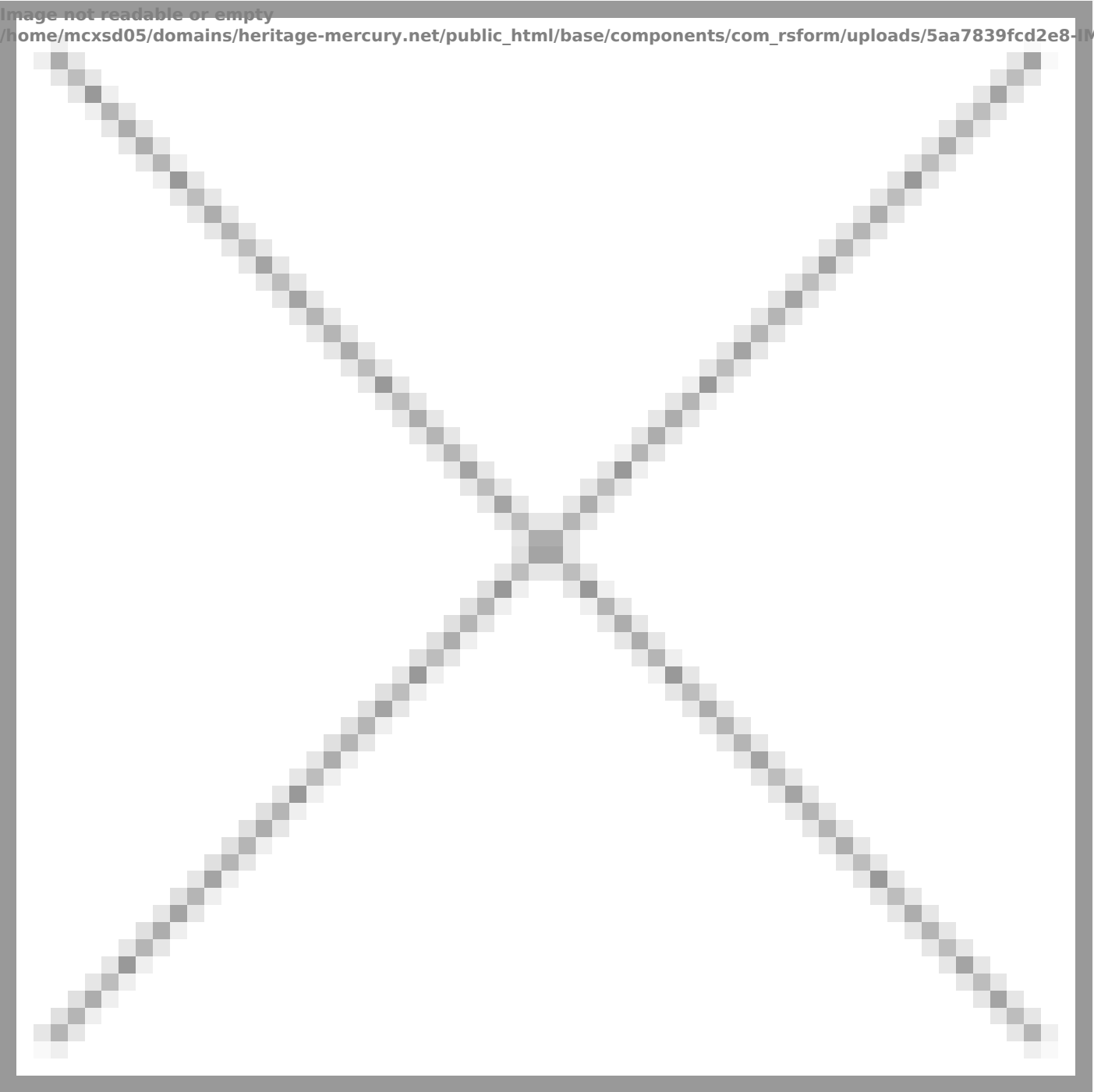


Name 1	"ŠLENGER" 3
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ID number	002.145.Idrija
Manager / Administrator	Idrija Municipal Museum, Prelovčeva 9, SI-5280 Idrija
Ownership	Public
Owner	Municipality of Idrija, Mestni trg 1, SI-5280 Idrija
Local / Original ID Number	510:IDR;RZ-589
Type of Object	Mine

DESCRIPTION

Short description	A mining hammer – “šlenger” has a typically curved handle, made of tough and elastic wood. At the end of the handle the square cast iron impact part of the hammer is mounted.
Measures	Length 39 cm, width 4.5 cm, height 14.5 cm.
Materials	Steel, wood.
Dating	End of the 19th century, beginning of the 20th century.
Author / Producer	Manufacturer information is not known.

Picture
attachments





Original use	The mining hammer – “šlenger” was also called a “rajbel hammer”, because it was introduced to Idrija by the instructors from the Rajbel Mine. Such types of hammers were used for manual ore excavation. The miner held a steel drill or a tip in one hand (diagonally upwards). and would hit the tip with the hammer held in the other hand (from the bottom up). By using this technique of ore excavation, the impacts were stronger, their arms hurt less and the dust poured out of the bore on its own.
Present use	The described object is being preserved, secured and presented as an important monument of Idrija mining heritage with exceptional universal values. Visitors can view it within the permanent exhibition of the Idrija Municipal Museum “Five Centuries of the Mercury Mine and the Town of Idrija”. It can also be used for different types of mercury heritage promotions.
Original location	Idrija Mercury Mine.
Present location	Idrija Municipal Museum, Gewerkenegg Castle (showroom 7).

STATE OF CONSERVATION

History of conservation:	The described object was conserved before 1995, during the time of preparations for the permanent museum exhibition. Therefore, no additional interventions are necessary. Security of the premises is ensured.
Present state	good
Necessary activities:	Regular seasonal maintenance.

DOCUMENTATION

**Addresses /
collections / links
etc. where further
in-depth
information is
accessible:**

- Inventory Book of the Idrija Municipal Museum.

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