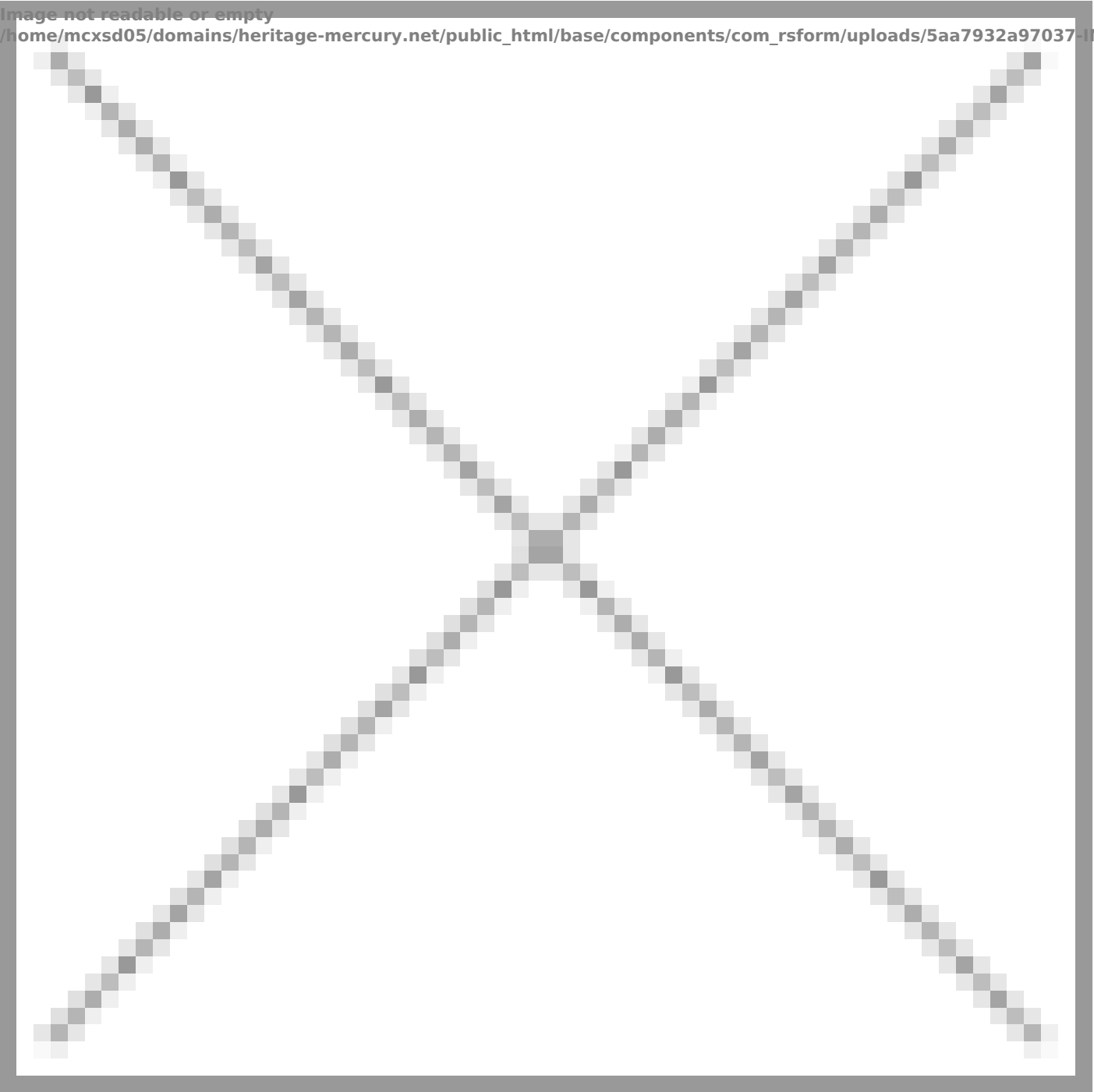


Name 1	"PEK"
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ID number	002.151.Idrija
Manager / Administrator	Idrija Municipal Museum, Prelovčeva 9, SI-5280 Idrija
Ownership	Public
Owner	Municipality of Idrija, Mestni trg 1, SI-5280 Idrija
Local / Original ID Number	510:IDR;RZ-542
Type of Object	Mine

DESCRIPTION

Short description	A “pek” is a tool resembling a pick, yet smaller and more convenient. It has a long, oval, worn handle. The front part of the handle serves for mounting. Two equally long tips are square cut and sharpened.
Measures	Length 80 cm, width 22.5 cm, height 4.2 cm.
Materials	Wood, iron.
Dating	The production time is unknown.
Author / Producer	Manufacturer information is not known.

Picture
attachments



Original use	The “pek” – pick with sharp-pointed ends, was used for excavating and breaking the ore or tailings in the pit. There is no accurate information about when they started to use the tool in the Idrija Mercury Mine. However, the “pek” was definitely used in the pioneer period of manual excavation of mercury ore.
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	The Pit of the 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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