

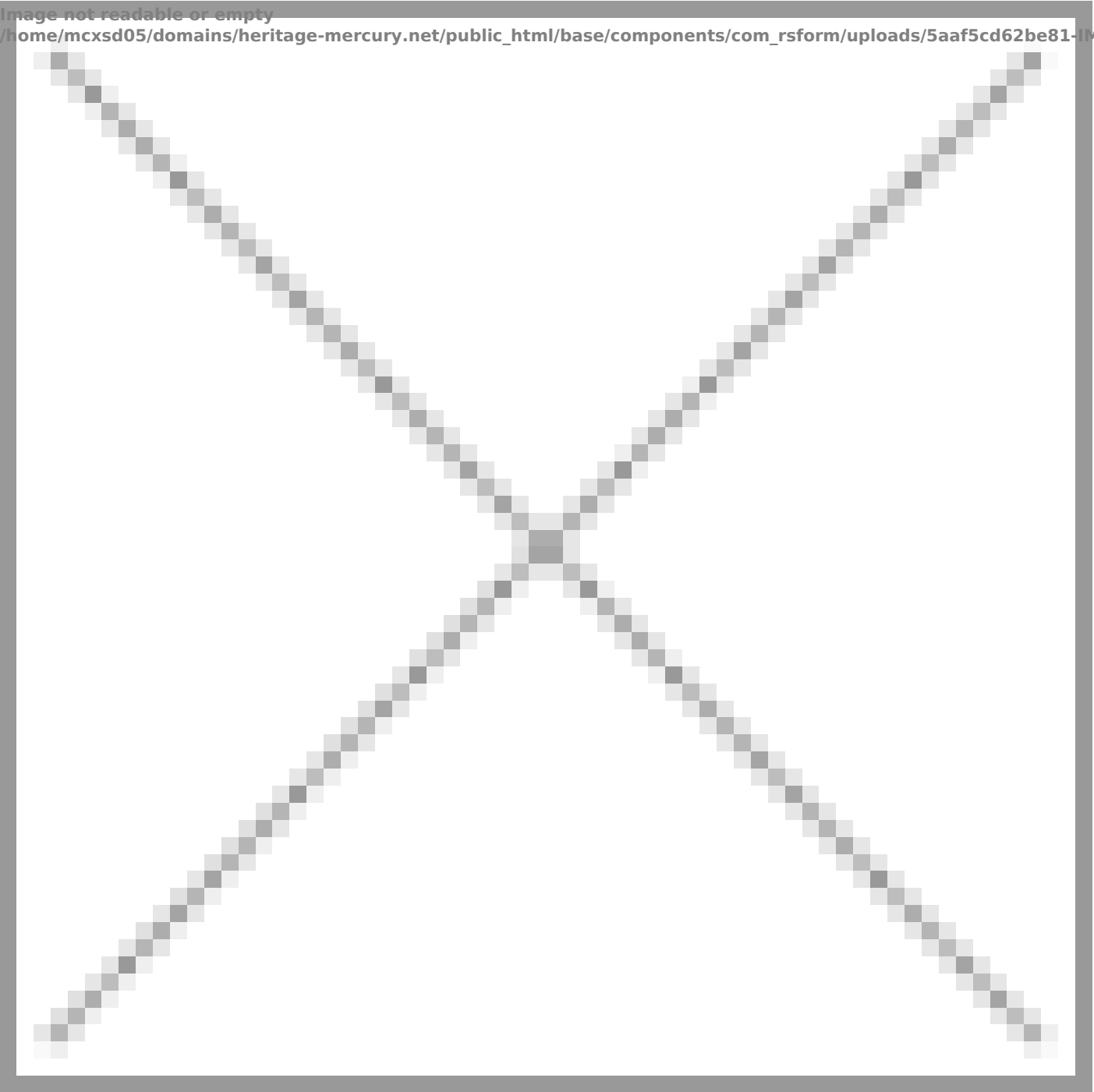
Name 1	WEIGHTS (COLLECTION)
Name 2	/
ID number	002.280.Idrija
Manager / Administrator	Idrija Municipal Museum, Prelovčeva 9, SI-5280 Idrija
Ownership	Public
Owner	Municipality of Idrija, Mestni trg 1, SI-5280 Idrija
Local / Original ID Number	510:IDR;RZ-102-RZ-105, RZ-320
Type of Object	Mine, Smelting

DESCRIPTION

Short description	Weights are cast and have a hexagonal shape. They have a ring made of round steel, which serves for lifting. According to its weight, each weight has a different inscription on it (3 weights with the inscription 10 CHILOG = 10 kg, one weight 20 CHILOG = 20 kg and one weight 1 CHILOG = 1 kg).
Measures	Length 8.4-24.5 cm, width 8.4-15.9 cm, height 7.3-10.2 cm.
Materials	Steel
Dating	The time of creation is unknown.

Author / Producer	Manufacturer information is not known.
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Picture
attachments



Original use	The described weights were used in the Smelting Plant for weighing and filling steel flasks with Mercury. The net weight of Mercury in the steel flask was 34.48 kg.
Present use	The described objects are being preserved, secured and presented as important mining heritage of Idrija with exceptional universal values. A total of five weights are a part of the mining collection of the Idrija Municipal Museum. Visitors can view most of the objects within the permanent museum exhibition "Five Centuries of the Mercury Mine and the Town of Idrija". One object is located in the depot and can be used for temporary museum exhibitions. It can also be used for different types of mercury heritage promotions.
Original location	The Smelting Plant of the Idrija Mercury Mine.
Present location	Idrija Municipal Museum, Gewerkenegg Castle (showroom 9); Idrija Municipal Museum, Prelovčeva 2 depot.

STATE OF CONSERVATION

History of conservation:	The objects are properly conserved. Additional interventions are not necessary. The 1 kg weight has a twisted ring for holding and it does not fit in the dent. Security of the premises is taken care of.
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; - Ivica Kavčič: Živo srebro: Zgodovina idrijskega žgalništva, Založba Bogataj, Idrija, 2008; - Ivica Kavčič: Proizvodnja živosrebrovih spojin pri idrijskem rudniku skozi stoletja, Idrijski razgledi 61, 2/2016.
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