

MRA-EGY-Lux015



SAMPLE ID:

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SAMPLE TYPE:

Wood

(Sub-Type: fragment)

OTHER INFO ABOUT SAMPLE IDENTITY:

Wood embedded in wax

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION:

Country
Egypt

Place
Luxor, Valley of
the Kings

SITE/MONUMENT:

Tomb of Seti II

HISTORICAL NOTE ABOUT THE SITE/MONUMENT:

The pharaoh Seti II (around 1203 BC – 1197 BC) had his tomb build at Luxor (the ancient Thebes), within the Valley of the Kings. Though one of the most impressive, from an artistic point of view, the tomb has been much vandalized and repaired in the following years of his death, his rullership over Egypt being disputed by one rival, named Amenmesse. His rather brief reign (only 6 years), was one of the reasons why the pharaoh's tomb was left incomplete. From an architectonic point of view, the tomb is very simple, although profusely decorated by reliefs and paintings over three corridors, a large well-room and, finally, a pillared hall depicting religious scenes involving Seti II. The tomb was hastily finished, as can be seen from the different treatment given to the paintings located in different places within this space.

Further reading:

Bayfiel, Su, "Tomb of Seti II (KV15)" in *Egyptian Monuments. A detailed guide to the archaeological sites of the Nile Valley and desert areas of Egypt*, 9th February 2009 (Web article, accessed on 10 October 2019).

CHRONOLOGICAL PERIOD (SAMPLE):

New Kingdom of Egypt - XIX Dynasty