

Castor Ware Cup; Camerton, 1948.  
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The illustration on the following page is of a Castor ware 'Hunt Cup'; bag shaped, decorated en Barbotine with Stag and hound running to left bordered by little clay studs.

A similar cup was found at the Roman cemetery at Ospringe Kent, (Society of Antiquaries Research Committee Report No. VIII page 87 plate XLVII) while a second one, but with pedestal base, came from Richborough, Kent. (Society of Antiquaries Research Committee Report No. I, Plate ALII).

These 'Hunt Cups' date from about AD 135-200, and were popular in Britain.

They were made at Castor, about 4 miles west of Peterborough.

Castor ware bears a close resemblance to the very fine Rhenish pottery which was made on the Lower Rhine in the 1st Cent A. D. Examples of this ware has been found during the past season at Camerton. A characteristic of Castor ware is the white paste from which it is made, coated with a metallic dark slate coloured slip.

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