



<b>OBJECT ID</b>	1998.6.3.b
<b>OBJECT NAME</b>	Pestle
<b>MATERIAL</b>	Wood
<b>OBJECT ENTITIES</b>	Spartin, William (owned by) Spartin, William (is related to) Furla, Maria (is related to)
<b>ACCESS POINTS</b>	goudi goudoberi kitchen mortar pestle Utensil Wood

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

This long wooden pestle is divided into handle and shaft. The handle is about half of the body. It is capped at the tip with a smooth cylindrical knob that quickly tightens so that the main part of the handle is considerably larger. The handle curves smoothly so that it fits nicely into the palm of your hand. At the widest point of the handle there are three skinny brown lines that encircle the handle. There is another small line at the smallest point between the handle and the tip. Where the handle curves back to a smaller circumference at the center of the body it then expands for the shaft of the pestle. This half of the instrument is smooth and gradually gains circumference. The bottom is slightly rounded instead of being perfectly flat. The entire pestle has been smoothed down but is still slightly rough. There are a couple dark marks along its body.



## ORIGIN

This item was previously owned by William Spartin. Based on the worn condition of both pieces there is a fair chance that they were used. The Greek name for mortar and pestle is "goudi and goudoberi." These utensils are a staple of Greek cooking and can be found in virtually any kitchen.

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## CITATION

Pestle, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 04/10/21.

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