

The  
**CYRUS  
CYLINDER**  
and **Ancient Persia**

A New Beginning

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*The Cyrus Cylinder and Ancient Persia: A New Beginning*

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At the J. Paul Getty Museum, the Getty Villa

1. The Cyrus Cylinder, after 539 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Found at Babylon, Iraq  
Terracotta  
L: 22.9 x Diam.: 10 cm (9 x 3 15/16 in.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.1
2. Two Inscribed Tablet Fragments, 6th–5th century B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Found at Babylon, Dilbat, or Borsippa, Iraq  
Unfired Clay  
W: 4.1 x D: 2 x L: 2.7 cm (1 5/8 x 13/16 x 1 1/16 in.) and W: 4.3 x D: 1.9 x L: 1.7 cm (1 11/16 x 3/4 x 11/16 in.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.2-3
3. Brick with an Inscription of Cyrus the Great, 539–530 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Found at Ur, Iraq  
Terracotta  
H: 32.5 x W: 32 x D: 6 cm (12 13/16 x 12 5/8 x 2 3/8 in.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.5
4. The Darius Cylinder Seal, 522–486 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Chalcedony  
H: 3.7 x Diam.: 1.7 cm, Weight: 21 g (1 7/16 x 11/16 in., 0.0463 lb.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.4
5. Vessel Fragment with Aramaic Inscriptions, 475 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Probably found at Elephantine, Egypt  
Terracotta  
H: 6.5 x W: 14 x D: 0.7 cm, Weight: 78.5 g (2 9/16 x 5 1/2 x 1/4 in., 0.1731 lb.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.14
6. Column-Base Fragment with Babylonian and Old Persian Inscriptions, 404–359 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Found at Hamadan, Iran  
Limestone  
H: 10 x W: 16.5 x L: 51 cm, Weight: 14 kg (3 15/16 x 6 1/2 x 20 1/16 in., 30.8644 lb.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.7

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7. Bowl with Winged Lions featuring Heads of Bes, 500-330 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Silver  
H: 2.5 x Diam.: 17.4 cm, Weight: 300.5 g  
(1 x 6 7/8 in., 0.6625 lb.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.9
8. Bowl with Lions, 500-330 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Found in Tajikistan  
Gold  
From the Oxus Treasure  
H: 2.3 x Diam.: 12.1 cm, Weight: 73.5 g  
(15/16 x 4 3/4 in., 0.162 lb.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.8
9. Cylinder Seal with a Crowned Figure Fighting a Lion and a Figure Fighting a Bull, 600-400 B.C.  
Neo-Elamite or Achaemenid  
Chalcedony  
H: 4.8 x Diam.: 2.2 cm (1 7/8 x 7/8 in.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.11
10. Stamp Seal with a Horseman Hunting a Goat, 500-330 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Chalcedony  
H: 1.2 x W: 2.1 x L: 2.8 cm (1/2 x 13/16 x 1 1/8 in.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.13
11. Stamp Seal with a Crowned Figure Fighting a Winged Bull, 500-330 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Chalcedony  
H: 2.4 x Diam.: 2 cm, 15 g (15/16 x 13/16 in., 0.0331 lb.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.12
12. Coin with a Crowned Archer, 520-500 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Silver  
Diam: 1.4 cm, (9/16 in.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.16
13. Coin with a Crowned Archer, 500-480 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Gold  
Diam: 1.4 cm, (9/16 in.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.15
14. Coin with a Crowned Archer, 410-370 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Silver  
Diam: 2.4 cm, (15/16 in.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.17
15. Plaque with a Priest, 500-330 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Found in Tajikistan  
Gold  
From the Oxus Treasure  
H: 15.1 x W: 7.5 cm, Weight: 82.7 g (5 15/16 x 2 15/16 in., 0.1824 lb.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.6
16. Armlet with Griffins, 500-330 B.C.  
Achaemenid  
Found in Tajikistan,  
Gold  
From the Oxus Treasure  
H: 12.3 x W: 11.6 x D: 2.6 cm, Weight: 396.5 g (4 13/16 x 4 9/16 x 1 in., 0.8741 lb.)  
The British Museum  
VEX.2013.2.10

17. Achaemenid Relief with Guards in Persian Dress, Persepolis, 1860 (first rotation)  
Luigi Pesce, *Album fotografico della Persia (Photographic Album of Persia)*  
Salted-paper print  
H. 19.2 x 23.6 cm, (7 9/16 x 9 5/16 in.)  
The Getty Research Institute  
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18. Achaemenid Relief with a Lion Attacking a Bull, Persepolis, 1860 (second rotation)  
Luigi Pesce, *Album fotografico della Persia (Photographic Album of Persia)*  
Salted-paper print  
H. 19.2 x 23.6 cm, (7 9/16 x 9 5/16 in.)  
The Getty Research Institute  
2012.R.18
19. Achaemenid Relief with Delegations Brining Tribute, Persepolis, 1860  
Luigi Pesce, *Album fotografico della Persia (Photographic Album of Persia)*  
Facsimile  
The Getty Research Institute  
2012.R.18
20. Sassanid Relief with King Ardashir I and Ahura Mazda, near Persepolis, 1860  
Luigi Pesce, *Album fotografico della Persia (Photographic Album of Persia)*  
Facsimile  
The Getty Research Institute  
2012.R.18
21. Nowruz (Persian New Year) at Golestan Palace, Tehran, 1860  
Luigi Pesce, *Album fotografico della Persia (Photographic Album of Persia)*  
Facsimile  
The Getty Research Institute  
2012.R.18
22. Emarat-e Khorouji at Golestan Palace, Tehran, 1860  
Luigi Pesce, *Album fotografico della Persia (Photographic Album of Persia)*  
Facsimile  
The Getty Research Institute  
2012.R.18
23. Southern Gate of the Qajar Royal Citadel, Tehran, 1860  
Luigi Pesce, *Album fotografico della Persia (Photographic Album of Persia)*  
Facsimile  
The Getty Research Institute  
2012.R.18