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Metal detecting finds ancient treasure in U.K. – 15th December, 2020

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People in the UK found more than 47,000 old objects. People used metal detectors to find old coins and other treasure. Metal detecting is good during coronavirus because social distancing is easy. People put photos of the coins on the museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see."

Someone found 50 South African gold coins near London. Another person found gold and silver coins with the faces of British kings. These coins were from the 16th century. Another person found ancient Roman furniture from AD 43-200. It had the face of the god Oceanus on it. These are important for understanding Britain's past.

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The British Museum reported record levels of historical discoveries. People found more than 47,000 objects. People used metal detectors in the countryside to find old coins and other treasure. Metal detecting is a good hobby during coronavirus because social distancing is easy. People put their discoveries on an app on the museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] growing from strength to strength."

The museum said that perhaps the best find among the new discoveries are coins. Someone found 50 South African solid gold coins near London. Another find contained gold coins and one silver coin with the faces of British kings. These coins were buried in the 16th century. Another find was from ancient Roman furniture from AD 43-200. It had the face of the god Oceanus on it. The museum said the finds are important for understanding Britain's past.

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The British Museum has reported record levels of historical discoveries. People found more than 47,000 objects with metal detectors. Many people go out in the countryside to try and find old coins and other treasure. More people have been metal detecting because of the coronavirus. Metal detecting is a hobby where social distancing is easy. People have been recording their discoveries on an app on the museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] growing from strength to strength during lockdown thanks to garden discoveries and digital reporting."

The museum said people have found many exciting things. Perhaps the best find among the new discoveries are coins. One of the finds contained 50 South African solid gold coins northwest of London. Another find contained gold coins and one silver coin with the faces of British kings. Experts say these coins were buried in the 16th century. Another find was from ancient Roman furniture. It had the face of the god Oceanus on it and dates to AD 43-200. The museum said the app, "ensures finds, important for understanding Britain's past, are not lost but instead recorded".

Level 3

The British Museum in the U.K. has reported record levels of historical discoveries this year. People have found more than 47,000 objects with metal detectors. Metal detecting is a big hobby in the U.K. Many people go out in the countryside to try and find old coins and other treasure. This year, more people have been metal detecting. This is because of the coronavirus. Metal detecting is a good hobby that means social distancing is very easy. People have been recording their finds on an app on the British Museum's website. The U.K. Culture Minister said: "It is brilliant to see the [app] growing from strength to strength during lockdown thanks to garden discoveries and digital reporting."

The British Museum said people have dug up many exciting and interesting things this year. Perhaps the best find among the new discoveries are two hoards of coins. One of the hoards contained 50 South African solid gold coins found 50 miles northwest of London. The other coin hoard contained gold coins and one silver coin featuring the British kings Edward IV and Henry VIII. Experts believe they were buried in the 16th century. Another find was an ancient Roman furniture fitting made of copper. It featured the face of the god Oceanus and dates to AD 43-200. The British Museum said the app, "ensures finds, important for understanding Britain's past, are not lost but instead recorded".