

Israeli Archeologists Find 1,900-year-Old Roman Swords

A team of Israeli archaeologists uncovered a rare cache of intact Roman swords dating back 1,900 years, to the time of the Bar Kochba revolt, when Jewish rebels briefly regained independence from imperial rule.

The find, which was announced on Wednesday, includes four Roman swords, with scabbards, that were found stashed inside a crevice in a cave near the Dead Sea. The swords were likely hidden by rebels 1,900 years ago.

The Times of Israel reported:

“We’re talking about an extremely rare find, the likes of which have never been found in Israel,” Dr. Eitan Klein, one of the directors of the Israel Antiquities Authority’s Judean Desert Survey, said in a video accompanying the announcement of the discovery. “Four swords amazingly preserved, including the fine condition of the metal, the handles, and the scabbards.”

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