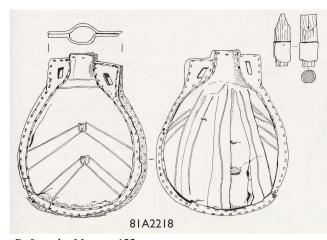


Bowls from the Mary Rose Website

## **Dishes**By Baroness Kaleeb the Green Eyed

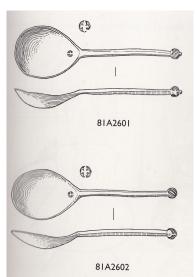
Dishes have been found throughout the Mary Rose wreck. They have been found in small collections or larger groupings. They have been found in the galley as well as other areas of the ship not related to food storage or preparation. Dishes have been found with and without makers marks or owners marks. Nearly 250 of the dishes are wooden and such dishes not recorded from any other finds. Wooden dishes are too common to have been saved. The dishes are not all alike and only a few of

the dishes carry the royal ownership mark of the ship, implying that the some of the dishes were individually owned and not all purchased from the same supplier.



Before the Mast, p.453.

I have packed a wooden bowl, horn spoon and a flask for William to use. The bowl was turned over 20 years ago and given to me at one of my first events. It has seen hard use and received very little loving care. The wood is unfinished and has a good layer of grease and oil soaked into it. Every once in awhile it is scrubbed with salt to keep the wildlife out of it. I think William should be able to maintain that level of cleanliness, so as not to get sick on his voyage. The spoon in his kit is horn. The Mary Rose archeologist speculate that the lack of horn items in the dig is either from preservation conditions or all of the horn spoons floated away after the boat sank. William's spoon would not have floated away, as it sank when I tested it.



Before the Mast, p. 449.

I have included a leather flask or costrel for William. I made the leather bottle several years ago from an image in the Hunting Book of Gaston Phebus. The shape of the flask does not seem to have changed much between the original illumination in 1389 and the Mary Rose records. Flasks were fairly common on ship board as they allowed people to hang a drinking vessel near their work or eating space, thus not having to worry about spillage. The flask is made from vegetable tanned leather with a pitch and bees wax lining for water proofing.

A knife should be included in William's kit, however a fork will not be needed as they were not listed in the inventories from the Mary Rose.

The Hunting Book of Gaston Phebus, p.47.