

Henley History: a Sense of Place

Object Descriptions - Travel to Henley



Pocket Compass



Travel compasses were designed to be carried in the pocket. They enabled travellers to determine which road or direction to take, or to follow a map of the road such as the Ogilby map in the Gallery.

This compass is made of a non precious metal; Some were mounted in brass or silver. It was important that the metal should be non-magnetic, as a magnetic metal would interfere with the direction of the needle.