

**DECORATED METATES IN  
PREHISPANIC LOWER CENTRAL AMERICA**

**VOLUME TWO**

**CORPUS OF METATES**

## EXPLANATION TO METATE DATA SHEETS

A description of the various 'fields' on the data sheets is given in Volume One, Appendix 2: The Database.

A key to the coding of the metate varieties can be found in Volume One, Appendix 6: Metate Glossary.

A key to the codes used for collections or publications is given in Volume One, Appendix 5.

The codes referring to decorative patterns and motifs can be found in Volume One, Appendix 4.

Other abbreviations are listed on the following page.

<b>Code</b>	<b>Meaning</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
AHD	anthropomorphic head	JHD	jaguar head
ALL	alligator	KIL	killhole
ANG	angular	LIN	linked
ANT	anthropomorphic	LIZ	lizard
APP	appendage	LOO	looped
ARM	armadillo	LR	low relief
ATL	atlantean	LUG	lugs
AVI	avian	MAR	marimba
BIF	bifurcated	MO	modelled
BIN	binocular	MON	monkey
BIC	biconical	MPM	multipurpose metate
BOX	box-shaped	NAT	naturalistic
CAN	canid	NE	no extras
CEN	centered	NRI	no rim
CIR	circular	ODD	oddment
CON	conical	OFR	open fretwork
COY	coyote	OVL	oval
CRA	crab	OW	open work
CYL	cylindrical	PAN	panel
DCO	deep concave	PAR	parrot
DH	double headed	PE	pedestal
DRI	deep rimmed	PIC	ave pico
DRU	drum	POR	porphyritic
EAG	eagle	REC	rectangular
EFF	effigy	REP	reptile
ERO	eroded	RB	ring-based
FEL	feline	SCO	slightly concave
FIL	filigree	SNA	snake
FLA	flared	SPM	special purpose metate
FP	flying-panel	SRE	subrectangular
FLU	fluted	SRI	slight rim
FOR	form	STY	stylized
FRO	front	SUR	surmount
FS	figural supported	TAB	tabular
FSL	fruitslice	TAP	tapir
GEO	geometric	TLL	tail attached to left leg
GP	good photo	TOR	tortoise
GRI	grid	TOU	toucan
GRT	grinding top	TRA	trapezoidal
HAH	half-human, half-animal	TRI	triangular
HER	heron (boat-billed)	TRL	tail attached to right leg
HGL	hour glass	TRO	trophy head
HOR	horizontal	TUB	tubular
HR	high relief	VER	vertical
HS	human supported	VES	vesicular
IBI	ibis	ZHD	zoomorphic head
IGU	iguana	ZOO	zoomorphic
JAG	jaguar		