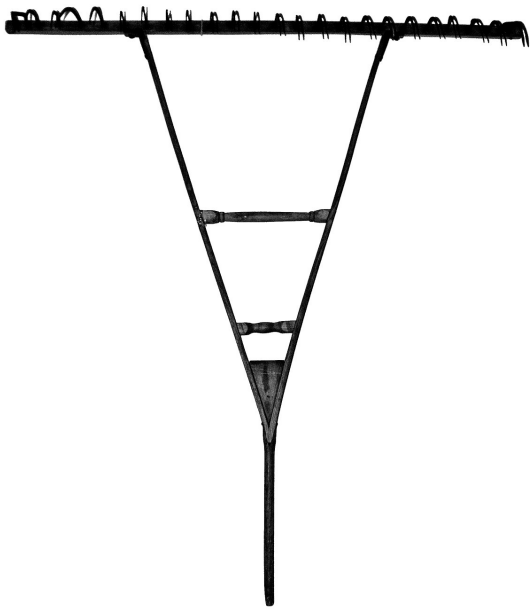


# Fen Tools with Ely Museum

Take a look at these Fenland tools. Thinking about their shape, what job do you think they did? Then turn over the page and see if you can match them to their description!



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## Potato Spoon

Used for scooping potatoes into sacks. The slots would allow soil and small stones to fall through.

## Pig Tail Weeder

The screw shaped end lets you twist into the root of the weed and pull it out.

## Hay Rake

With sharp teeth and a long handle, this rake was used to gather the hay after it had been cut.

## Bird Scarer

This rattle makes a loud noise & was used to scare the birds away and stop them stealing the seeds.

## Clay Spade

Used for digging clay. The hole would reduce the weight of the tool and clay is sticky enough not to fall through.

## Bean Dibber

Used for making a small hole to plant seeds that need to be planted underground rather than sown on top of the soil.

## Sharp Shovel

A sharp shovel, sometimes known as a Hodding spade, is used for cutting ditches and rivers to drain the fields.

## Slubber

A slubber, also known as a water scoop is used to scoop the "slub" (a build up of wet clay) from ditches and dykes to keep them flowing.