

I started off hunting inland for 6 months with the Makro Racer 2 and oh boy , what a winner Makro has made, finding everything I could dream about. This incredible machine did it all and can certainly challenge/hang with metal detectors in a much higher price bracket. I did manage to find gold once on my inland expeditions and that certainly triggered a desired to find more of the yellow.. I knew that the only possible solution was to start hunting beaches if I wanted to obtain more gold.

I decided to do a few solo hunts and this certainly proved to be more difficult until I found an incredible 9ct gold and silver ring with diamonds , weighing 13.7grams



9ct Gold and Silver ring found with Racer 2

The Makro Racer 2 had finally produced a magnificent ring after about 6 solo beach hunts and this was due to a few reasons. Tips and advice from a few friends was certainly a game changer and also being able to read the conditions of the beaches I hunted was needed but mainly understanding my Racer 2 and being able to setup my Racer 2 to perform better in different areas on the beach was key. It's a great machine and once you marry it , it will be your best friend and go to detector for life.

Dry sand was never a problem at any beaches but moving into wet sand territory did present its problems but knowing my Racer 2 I knew how to change a few settings and resolve problems with ease.. I managed to find a very knowledgeable hunter who took me under his wing and from there with my trusted Makro Racer 2 in hand thing only got better with very hunt we did.



Old silver items found with Racer 2 on one hunt

When doing a hunt on a dry sand area I found that the Racer 2 have excellent depths and I sometimes have to dig about 25cm-30cm to retrieve the smallest of items . I prefer 3 tone mode as this is the mode I primarily use when doing inland hunting. It gives me enough detail about the items I am about to dig and the depth like stated previously is great . I have even been lucky enough to retrieve a Platinum ring weighing 8.1grams from this dry sand area which in my book is a bucket list item. I could not be more happy with our relationship and I would certainly say this detector finds the goods.



The Makro Racer 2 has 5 different modes as previously stated on a first review of the detector. When hunting beaches I primarily use three modes. These are my preferences and by no means am I saying anyone should use or follow these modes for hunting beaches but they do work for me. For dry and wet sand I use 2 tone or 3 tone mode depending on conditions and areas I want to detect, I do find that 2 tone give a little more depth but 3 tone gives me more detail on the items in the ground and I can filter through trash and good solid signals with ease... The Racers 2 is a master at separation and cherry picking good solid reputable tones always produce as can be seen with these 2 x 9ct Gold Bangles found about 15cm apart on a fairly trashy beach.



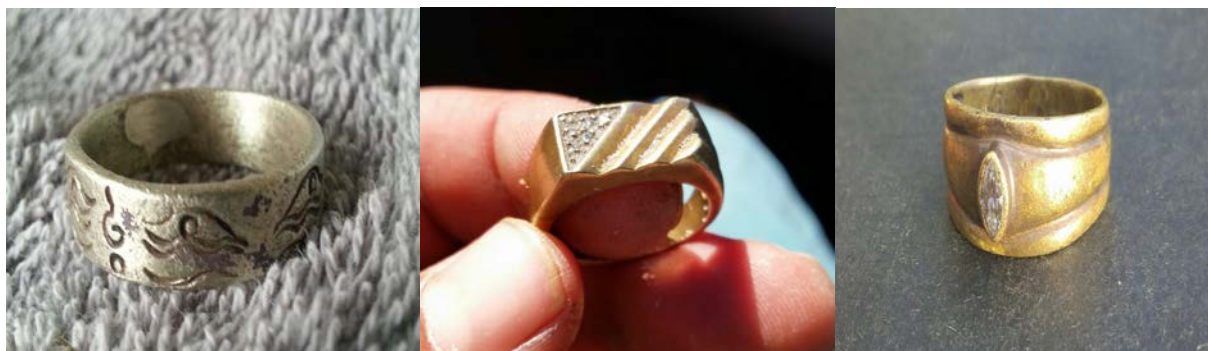
9ct Gold Bangles found 15cm apart with Racer 2

I have also been very successful in finding other rings consisting of different metal types such as silver, bronze, copper and aluminum proving that the Racer 2 doesn't leave anything behind , it lets you choose if you want to dig the item or venture on to the next but I also have to say understanding and knowing what your detector is telling you is of up most importance , fortunately for us , learning that language with the Racer 2 is very easy.



Varies rings found with Racer 2

The next part of my story is certainly not advisable and note that the Racer 2 is not, I repeat, not a water metal detector but can be used in the shallow salt water if the need arises and for this I prefer beach mode. The coil, shaft and cable can be used in water but the control box or VDI screen must under no circumstances be submerged under water and for this reason I will not risk detecting going any deeper than ankle depth. Beach mode works brilliantly and is designed to be used under water. Rock pools or even lagoons will be the best environment for this mode in my honest opinion and for everything else there is 3tone or 2 tone which give more depths..



Various rings found with Makro Racer 2

This machine does it all, you just need to learn its language and understand how she needs to be treated to get the best results, in other words adjust settings if need be or understand that any machine will give some chatter on heavy mineralized black sand/soil but resolving this is simple. Doing a ground balance and adjusting its gain will fix this issue and you will soon be finding the treasure on these sweet spots or simply switch to beach mode and have a silent sniper with no interference. It's basically come down to preference of choice and this machine gives you those options. It might even surprise you with the very elusive thin 9ct gold chain. I certainly was surprised and again very happy with my purchase.



Very thin 9ct gold necklace found with Racer 2

This machine has far surpassed my expectations and all I can say is .... Well played Makro, well played...

Finally I have a "do it all" machine at a very fair price. It is the reason for my success and I hope to have a long lasting relationship with Makro Products.

Thanks again Wolfgang Roux for suggesting this machine and [www.metaldetectors4africa.com](http://www.metaldetectors4africa.com) for the great service its has been nothing but a huge pleasure in my life..

Regards

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