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## **Phase VI: The Medieval period**

The Medieval period at Hirbemerdon Tepe is dated to ca. eleventh-thirteenth centuries AD (Laneri 2014). After a long period of abandonment, the Medieval phase of occupation in the High Mound is characterized by a few walls associated with Glazed Ware bowls and flasks, as well as sherds of Cream Ware bowls and handled jars, dated to a Medieval pottery horizon (Laneri 2013; Laneri 2014: 346). The rise of the Marwanid dynasty¹ in Diyarbakır (ca. 983 AD) is the starting point of the so-called Middle Islamic period (Kennedy 2004: 249). The arrival of the Seljuqs provoked the fall of the Marwanid dynasty in 1055 and lead to the devastation of Diyarbakır by Turkish invaders (Blaum 1993: 55-56). The analysis of historical sources for the following period shows the frequently shifting boundaries of local and often spatially noncontiguous principalities in the Diyarbakır area (Hammer 2012: 119). A Türkmen dynasty established its power in the region between the eleventh and twelfth centuries; known as the Artuqid dynasty (Bosworth 1973: 107), it ruled parts of the region until the beginning of the fifteenth century (Matney *et al.* 2007: 30). From 1102 to 1232, Hasankeyf and Amid were under the control of an Artukid line, until the Ayyubid conquest of 1232-1233 (Bosworth 1996b: 194-196). The region was divided between the Artuqids and the Ayyibids when the Mongols conquered the Diyarbakır area for the first time in 1231, and definitively in 1260 (Bosworth 1996a: 72-74).

#### **Architecture**

The results of the excavations in the High Mound have clearly identified a Medieval occupational phase belonging to the Middle Islamic horizon, demonstrated by the presence of Glazed Ware fragments, as well as Incised Ware associated with poorly preserved structures (Areas A, D, E, AC and AA; see figs. 11.1-11.2): Iron Age architectural features and material culture characterize the layers found just below the Medieval phase of occupation (Laneri *et al.* 2009).

In 2009, during the excavations of Area E in the southeastern portion of the High Mound, a well-preserved double roomed building was excavated and dated to the Medieval period (Fig. 11.3); it appears possible that these rooms were part of a larger complex. The building was located on a strategic position overlooking the Tigris river, dominating the surrounding lands. The overall dimensions of the building could not be estimated; stones of variable dimensions were used for walls, with a width of approximately 1 m, oriented NW-SE. Room 1 (6 x 5 m) is characterized by the presence of many fragments of Cream Ware (Pl. CXXII: 14; pl. CXXIV: 31), Common Ware (Pl. CXXII: 7, 11) and only a single fragment of Glazed Ware (Pl. CXXII: 1); on the basis of this pottery assemblage it is possible to identify this room as likely having been used for domestic functions. Similar rectilinear walls dating to the Medieval period have been excavated at Ziyaret Tepe (Matney *et al.* 2007: 61, fig. 5) and at Kavuşan Höyük, where traces of Medieval walls

<sup>1</sup> The local Marwanids have nothing to do with the Umayyad family of the same name; see Hammer 2012.

were discovered over almost the entire mound. The stone walls were built using a single course of large sized cobbles on the substructure, while a double course of smaller cobbles was used on the superstructure (Kozbe 2013: 347). At Salat Tepe, fragments of stone walls at the Medieval level have not allowed for the plan of any building to be reconstructed, however, tannurs, hearths and kilns also present at this level point to the presence of temporary huts on the mound summit, probably used by nomadic tribes; the pottery from these contexts is dated to the fifth to sixth centuries AD (Ökse and Görmüş 2013: 189).

#### **Pottery**

Medieval pottery recovered from surveys and excavations carried out in the upper Tigris valley are, in general, still waiting to be studied: until now only the Medieval levels from Ziyaret Tepe have been studied and published (Matney *et al.* 2007; Vordestrasse and Matney 2012). Medieval pottery is generally glazed or unglazed and the fabric of both classes can be divided in two main groups: cream-white wares and red wares (Matney *et al.* 2007: 32).

Pottery recovered from the Medieval levels of Hirbemerdon Tepe have been divided into four main groups: Cream Ware, Combed Incised Ware, Common Ware and Glazed Ware. The majority of Medieval ceramics from Hirbemerdon Tepe are non-glazed pottery, such as the case of the Medieval ceramics from Ziyaret Tepe (Vorderstrasse and Matney 2010: 253). Only two examples of Medieval Glazed pottery (5%) are known from Hirbemerdon Tepe: a small monochrome green glazed bottle recovered from Area A (Pl. CXXIII: 24) and with a fabric that presents inclusions (i.e., sand, mica, and limestone); and from Area E, a large bowl (24cm in diameter) whose cross-section presents a reddish brown colour and a fabric that is medium, containing sand, grit, limestone and mica.

The Medieval pottery from Hirbemerdon Tepe is mainly represented by Cream Ware (62%), Combed Incised Ware (8%), and Common Ware (26%), which are characterized by the absence of glaze. The most common forms of unglazed ware were wide-mouthed bowls (Pl. CXXII: 2-4, 8) and single or doubled handled jars (Pl. CXXII: 12; pl. CXXIII: 19). The texture of the fabric is usually medium/medium-fine and inclusions commonly consist of sand, grit, limestone and mica. The decoration of unglazed pottery—when it is present—usually consists of a simple slip. For the Combed Incised Ware, an incised decoration is characteristic and is present within the Medieval pottery assemblage as body sherds showing an incised banded decoration (Pl. CXXIII: 21-23). At Hirbemerdon Tepe there is seemingly no evidence of local pottery production during the Medieval period, as has been proved at Ziyaret Tepe (Matney *et al.* 2007: 32-33). The lack of findings, such as big cooking pots and bread ovens or stewing pots, could testify that the local Medieval population was consuming milk and meat, roasting animals over a large fire, but with no necessity for huge cooking pots (Armstrong 2001: 281-281; Matney *et al.* 2007: 33).

The Cream Ware type was very common in the Early Islamic period starting in the 'Abbasid period' after the capital moved to Mesopotamia. This class of ceramic became a popular type of coarse ware and was often used to store water. This function of the Cream Ware type is proved at Hirbemerdon by the discovery of numerous fragments of handled jars (Pl. CXXII: 12), similar to the Medieval jars from Salat Tepe (Ökse and Görmüş 2013: 199, fig. 14). At Kavusan Höyük ceramics dating to the Medieval period consist of similar hand-made, coarse, and densely tempered vessels for daily use, such as jugs, wide-mouthed bowls, single or doubled handled jars associated with a wheel-made manufacturing, and generally bowl shaped glazed ware. This assemblage is dated by Kozbe to between the twelfth-forteenth centuries AD (Kozbe 2013: 347).

#### Small finds

At Hirbemerdon Tepe a number of small finds of Medieval date have been recovered from A, AC, E, D and E excavation areas. The only Medieval loom weight (Pl. CLXXXIV: 1) comes from Area D (D0004), where no structures have been detected, but only pits of Medieval date. Other small metal (iron) objects were also found in the Medieval level: for example, two bracelets, one badly encrusted (Pl. CLXXXIV: 4) and the other with rounded and flattened ends (Pl. CLXXXIV: 5); a spoon handle, V-shaped in cross-section, with

curves resembling a slight S shape (Pl. CLXXXIV: 7); a needle (Pl. CLXXXIV: 2); a fragment of an iron pin (Pl. CLXXXIV: 3); a fragment of an iron sickle (Pl. CLXXXIV: 6); and fragments from two iron blades (Pl. CLXXXIV: 8-9).

No Medieval coins were found in the Medieval levels. This is an interesting absence that can testify to the average local economic conditions of the Medieval settlement located on the mound.

## **Phase VII: The Ottoman Period**

Since the Ottoman conquest in 1517, the upper Tigris region was characterized by a rural landscape, with the balanced presence of large fields of open pasture and agriculture areas, according to the sixteenth century tax recording system<sup>2</sup> (Göyünç and Hütteroth 1997; Hammer 2012: 129). From 1600 to 1850, the most intensely cultivated zone in Diyarbakır province was the northern part, for reasons of defence. In fact, the northern upper Tigris valley was characterized by better connections and access to urban markets (Hammer 2012: 150). According to Evliya Çelebi, a traveler in the Ottoman Empire during the seventeenth century, agriculture in the Diyarbakır area was limited, with expansive uncultivated areas available as pastures (van Bruinessen 1988a: 36-44 in Hammer 2012). This nomadic and rural landscape is clearly recognizable from the analysis of archaeological data (Hammer 2012): Ottoman sites can be recognized by the presence of fragments of elaborately crafted tobacco clay pipes and Glazed Ware, almost invariably simple and green (Algaze, Hammer and Parker 2012: 41).

#### **Architecture**

A lack of occupation followed the Medieval phase on the mound. After ca. 300 years of abandonment, the latest phase of occupation at Hirbemerdon Tepe is dated to the Ottoman period. According to a historical map dated to 1855 (Kiepert 1855), the toponym of Hirbemerdon Tepe was *Merdon*.

Phase VII, dating to the eighteenth-nineteenth centuries AD, (Laneri 2014: 346) was discovered just below the topsoil in Areas E, AC and AA, and dated to the Ottoman period primarily due to its stratigraphic position above the Medieval level, and because of the nature of its architecture and artefacts.

In the 2011 season, excavations were focused on Area AA, located on top of the High Mound. A multi-roomed building covering the upper part of the acropolis was found immediately below the surface and was dated to the Ottoman period (Figs. 11.4-11.5). The architectural remains pointed to a complex building with at least two phases (Phase VIIA earlier, Phase VIIB later).

The earlier level (Phase VIIA) is characterized by beaten floors (AA0004, AA0008, AA0009, AA0019) as identified in Rooms I, II and V. In Room VI a wall made by large sized stones (AA0047) was discovered and likely belongs to this first Ottoman phase, but was then reused in the following period. Two small sized pits (AA0037, AA0039) - full of dirt, ash, soil and stones - are most probably linked to this first Ottoman phase, because they were subsequently covered by steps (AA0026) and a wall (AA0025) in Room IV; the presence of storage pits points to a permanent occupation of a long duration.

The later Ottoman level (Phase VIIB) is characterized by a large building composed of six rooms (Rooms I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, figs. 11.6-11.10) with an entrance on the west side of the building. The building consists of rectilinear walls with widths between 50 and 100 cm; stones used for the walls are of different sizes, from medium to small. The thickness of the walls and the wall's foundations (AA0005, AA0007, AA0016-18, AA0047, AA0069) can be explained by structural necessities, since the building was also likely to consist of a superstructure held by these stick walls, as is also suggested by the presence of steps in Room IV.

<sup>2</sup> The Ottoman system of tax recording and administrative lists of villages provide vivid descriptions of the local landscape, as well as data about the location and productivity trends of agriculture in the Diyarbakır region from the sixteenth-nineteenth centuries (Hammer 2012: 147).

Both the Ottoman Building's Phases VIIA-B have similarities with the Ottoman multi-roomed buildings from the L1b level of Ziyaret Tepe (Matney *et al.* 2007). The architecture of Level L1a consisted of oval, circular or rectilinear walls without multi-roomed buildings (the so-called 'Tent Level' in Matney *et al.* 2007: 25), while instead the earlier phase L1b shows a more regular plan: the walls and wall foundations are rectilinear with widths between 60 and 80 cm, suggesting that these walls may have held some sort of superstructure. And finally, the presence of a rectangular storage pit can prove that the buildings were a permanent Ottoman settlement.

The Ottoman building at Hirbemerdon Tepe is different in dimension. Its prominent location overlooking the southern bank of the Tigris river can contribute to an identification as an Ottoman military garrison.

#### **Pottery**

Although Ottoman pottery belongs to the Late Islamic horizon,<sup>3</sup> for the upper Tigris region, our understanding of Ottoman ceramics is still problematic, as already outlined for the case of Ottoman ceramics from Ziyaret Tepe (Matney *et al.* 2007: 27).

The Ottoman pottery assemblages present at Hirbemerdon Tepe are Green Common Ware (78%), Late Glazed Ware (11%) and Common Ware (11%). The Green Common Ware is the most common Ottoman ceramic at Hirbemerdon Tepe. The unglazed decoration consists of a self-slip; the colour of the cross-section is pale to light yellow or yellowish brown; and the most common inclusions are sand, grit and limestone (Pl. CXXV: 4-7). The most typical form within the Green Common Ware is the jar (Pl. CXXV: 2-3). The only example of Late Glazed Ware is a pink glazed bowl (Pl. CXXV: 1), whose reddish yellow cross-section includes sand, grit, mica and limestone. The Common Ware assemblage consists of three-handled water jugs (Pl. CXXV: 8) that are slip-decorated with a cross-section showing the presence of sand, mica, grit and limestone

#### **Small finds**

Several Ottoman finds of particular interest are able to further confirm the Ottoman nature of Phase VII. A bronze coin (Pl. CLXXXVI: 23) dated to 1277 (1861 AD) and the reign of Sultan Abdulaziz (1830-1861 AD) was found during the 2011 excavation season in Area AA, precisely within Room IV of the Ottoman building, in AA0014. From the same locus, a filling that consisted of dirt and stones was also found to contain fragments of worked bones (Pl. CLXXXVI: 3-4), a metal band (Pl. CLXXXVI: 17), a fragment from a blue glass bracelet decorated with a spiral motif (Pl. CLXXXVI: 5), an iron spatula (Pl. CLXXXVI: 22) and a tack (Pl. CLXXXVI: 20). Other small finds recovered from the Ottoman level of occupation included: two buttons, one of bronze (Pl. CLXXXVI: 1) and the other of bone, with five holes (Pl. CLXXXVI: 2); a stone pestle (Pl. CLXXXVI: 15); small metal objects, which were considered to be part of a tool of an uncertain function (Pl. CLXXXVI: 16); a blade (Pl. CLXXXVI: 18); a fragment from an iron pin (Pl. CLXXXVI: 19); and a fishing hook (Pl. CLXXXVI: 21) from AA0013.

Of certain Ottoman date are eight clay tobacco pipes (Pl. CLXXXV: 6-13) recovered in their stratigraphic location from Areas A, AC, D and E. This class of objects is typical of the Ottoman material culture, even in small settlements (Boas 2000: 555; Van der Lingen 2003: 131; Matney *et al.* 2007: 28; Algaze *et al.* 2012) and nomadic sites (Avissar 1996: 198-201; Hammer 2012). Since the end of sixteenth century, European shipments of tobacco into Istanbul are recorded in contempory sources (Simpson 2013: 252). Smoking was first banned in the Ottoman Empire in 1612 by Sultan Ahmet I (1603-1617) and then by Sultan Murad IV (1623-1640). Despite this aggressive policy against smoking, Evliya Çelebi's list of trade guilds in Istanbul compiled during the reign of Sultan Murad IV, made mention of pipe-makers (ibid. 2013: 254). During the reign of Sultan Ibrahim (1640-1648), the severe anti-tobacco laws were finally abolished in 1646. The wide presence of clay tobacco pipes in the archaeology of the Ottoman Empire implies that there have been

<sup>3</sup> For northern Mesopotamia Ottoman pottery see Simpson 1993, Simpson and Watkins 1995, Simpson 1997.

several pipe-makers in each Ottoman city (Robinson 1985; Simpson 2008; Simpson 2013: 258). The clay tobacco pipes from Hirbemerdon Tepe can be divided into three groups according to the clay's colour in cross-section (Simpson 1993: 17-18): early types in fine gray clay dated to the seventeenth to early eighteenth centuries (Pl. CLXXXV: 7, 9); early red ware types (Pl. CLXXXV: 12); and red burnished types dating to the early nineteenth century (Pl. CLXXXV: 7). In 2763 and 5540 (Pl. CLXXXV: 6, 12) the shape of the pipe's shank finds parallels with nineteenth century red-slipped pipes found at Khirbet Deir Situn (Simpson 2013: 263, fig. 5).

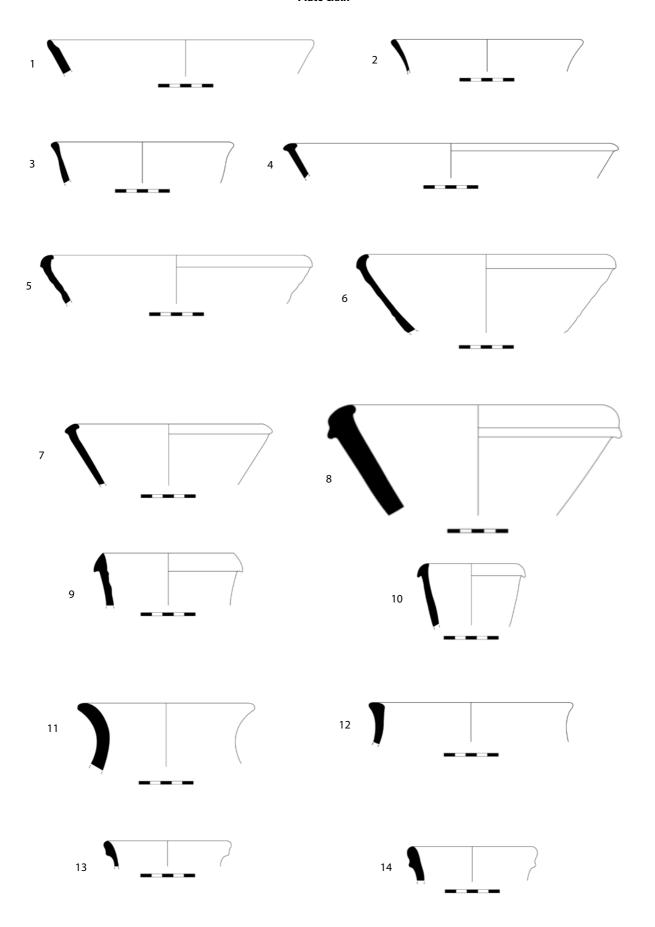
## **Phase VI**

Nr.	HM no.	Ware	Color (out)	Color (in)	Color (sec)	Fabric	Decoration	Surface treatments
1	5543	GLW	GLEY1 5/1 5GY grayish green	GLEY1 5/1 5GY grayish green	2.5YR 5/4 reddish brown	medium, sand, grit, limestone, mica	glazed	
2	6482	CRW	7.5YR 6/3 light brown	7.5YR 6/3 light brown	7.5YR 7/4 pink	fine, sand, mica, grit	slip	
3	6547	CRW	10YR 8/2 very pale brown	10YR 8/2 very pale brown	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow; 5YR 6/4 light reddish brown; 5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	medium-fine, sand, limestone, mica	slip	
4	6396	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 5/1 gray	medium, sand, mica, grit	slip	
5	5461	COW	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	5YR 7/6 reddish yellow	medium, sand, mica, grit, lime- stone		
6	5458	COW	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	5YR 7/6 reddish yellow	medium, sand, mica, grit, lime- stone		
7	5455	COW	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	5YR 7/6 reddish yellow	medium, sand, mica, grit, lime- stone		
8	6473	CRW	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	10YR 6/4 light yellowish brown; 10YR 5/1 gray; 10YR 6/4 light yellowish brown	medium, sand, limestone, mica	slip	
9	5451	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	medium, sand, limestone	slip	
10	5448	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	medium, sand, limestone	slip	
11	5466	COW	7.5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	7.5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	7.5YR 7/6 reddish yellow	medium-coarse, chaff, sand, lime- stone, mica		
12	6479	CRW	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	7.5YR 7/4 pink	7.5YR 6/3 light brown	medium, sand, limestone, mica, grit	slip	
13	5452	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5YR 7/6 light red	medium fine, sand, limestone, quartz	slip	

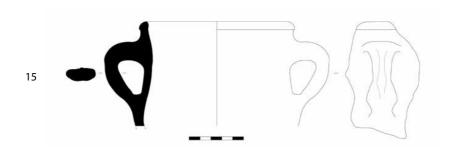
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14	5453	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	5YR 7/3 pink	medium, sand, grit, limestone, quartz	slip	
15	5447	CRW	2.5 7/3 pale brown	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		medium, sand, grit, limestone	slip	
16	5463	COW	5YR 5/6 yellowish red	N/A	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	medium-coarse, chaff, sand, limestone, grit	painted	
17	6397	CRW	2.5Y 8/2 pale brown	2.5Y 8/2 pale brown	10YR 6/6 brown- ish yellow; 2.5Y 5/2 grayish brown; 10YR 6/6 brownish yellow	medium, sand, limestone, mica	slip	
18	6481	CRW	10YR 8/3 very pale brown	7.5YR 7/4 pink	5YR 5/6 yellowish red; 5YR 6/6 red- dish yellow; 5YR 6/4 light reddish brown; 5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	medium, sand, grit, limestone, mica	slip	
19	6483	COW	10YR 7/2 light gray	7.5YR 7/4 pink	7.5YR 6/3 light brown	medium, sand, limestone, mica, grit	slip	
20	6558	CRW	10YR 8/3 very pale brown	10YR 8/2 very pale brown	10YR 6/4 light yellowish brown	medium-fine, sand, limestone, mica	slip	
21	6429	CIW	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	medium, sand, mica, grit	incised	
22	6436	CIW	10YR 7/2 light gray	10YR 6/1 gray	10YR 6/1 gray	medium, sand, mica, limestone	incised	
23	6551	CIW	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 6/3 light yel- lowish brown	medium, sand, mica, limestone	incised	self-slip
24	929	GLW	GLEY 1 7/2 pale green	GLEY 17/2 pale green	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	medium, sand, mica, limestone	glazed	
25	5457	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	7.5YR 6/3 light brown	7.5YR 6/3 light brown	medium, sand, chaff, grit, lime- stone	slip	burnished
26	6537	CRW	10YR 7/3 very pale brown	2.5YR 6/6 light red	2.5YR 5/8 red	medium, sand, limestone, mica	slip	
27	6550	CRW	10YR 8/2 very pale brown	2.5YR 6/4 light reddish brown	2.5YR 6/6 light red; 5YR 5/3 red- dish brown; 2.5YR 6/6 light red	medium, sand, limestone, mica	slip	
28	5446	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/3 9 pale brown	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	medium, sand, limestone, grit	slip	
29	5449	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	medium, sand, chaff, limestone	slip	

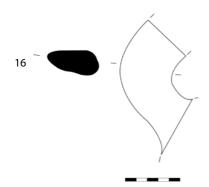
Nr.	HM no.	Ware	Color (out)	Color (in)	Color (sec)	Fabric	Decoration	Surface treatments
30	5465	COW	2.5YR 6/6 light red; 10YR 7/4 very pale brown	2.5YR 6/6 light red	2.5YR 6/6 light red	medium, sand, mica, limestone	slip	
31	5445	CRW	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	medium, sand, grit, limestone	slip	
32	5464	COW	10YR 7/4 very pale brown	2.5YR 6/6 light red	2.5YR 6/6 light red	medium, sand, limestone, mica	slip	
33	5456	COW	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	5YR 7/6 reddish yellow	medium, sand, mica, grit, lime- stone		

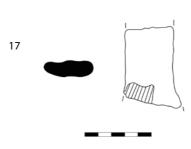
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## Plate CXXIII

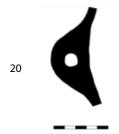




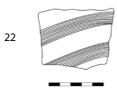








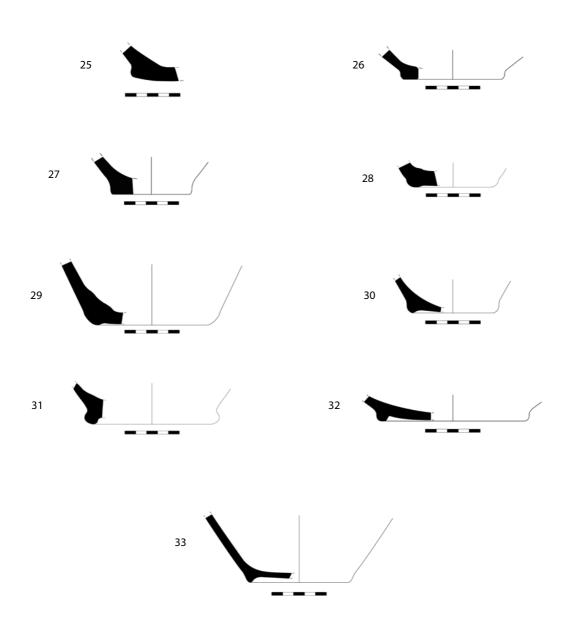








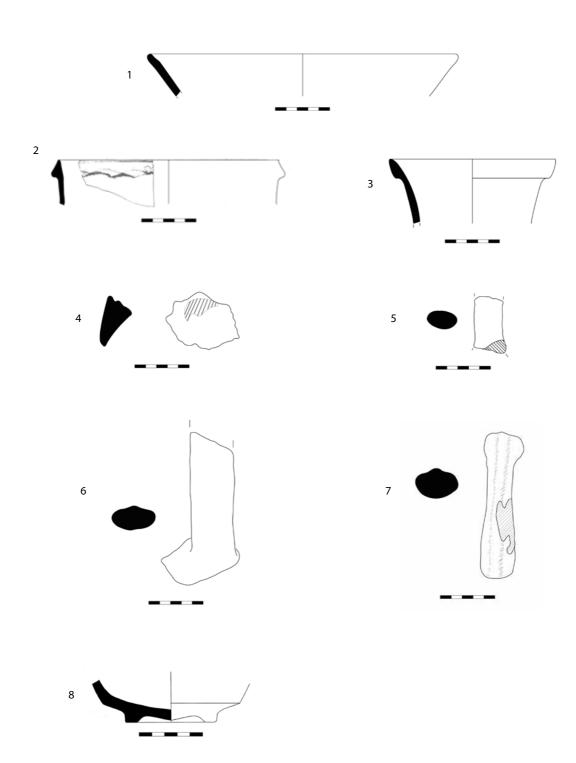
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## **Phase VII**

Nr.	HM no.	Ware	Color (out)	Color (in)	Color (sec)	Fabric	Decoration	Surface treatments
1	6450	GLW	5YR 7/3 pink	GLEY1 3/2 very dark grayish green	5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	medium, sand, grit, mica, limestone	glazed	
2	6402	GreenW	2.5 Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5 Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5 Y 6/3 light yellowish brown	medium-fine, sand, limestone, grit		self-slip
3	6403	GreenW	2.5 Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5 Y 7/3 pale brown	2.5 Y 6/3 light yellowish brown	medium, sand, limestone, grit		self-slip
4	6398	GreenW	2.5 Y 7/1 light gray	2,5 Y 7/1 light gray	2.5 Y 7/3 pale brown	medium, sand, grit, limestone, mica		self-slip
5	6404	GreenW	2.5 Y 7/1 light gray	2.5 Y 7/1 light gray	2.5 Y 7/3 pale brown	medium-coarse, sand, grit, lime- stone, mica		self-slip
6	6405	GreenW	2.5 Y 7/1 light gray	2.5 Y 7/1 light gray	2.5 Y 7/3 pale brown	medium, sand, grit, limestone, mica		self-slip
7	6447	GreenW	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	2.5Y 7/2 light gray	2.5Y 6/2 light brownish gray; 10YR 7/3 very pale brown; 2.5Y 6/2 light brown- ish gray	medium-coarse, sand, limestone, grit, mica		self-slip
8	6426	COW	10YR 7/3 very pale brown	10YR 7/3 very pale brown	7.5YR 6/6 reddish yellow	medium, sand, mica, grit, limestone	slip	

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## **Phase VI**

Nr.	HM no.	Descrip- tion	Mate- rial	Color	Color (sec)	Decora- tion	Ht	Lg	Th	Wh	Wt	D1	D2	Notes
1	5411	Loom weight	clay	black			0	0	0	0	0	3	0,5	
2	5916	Needle	iron	brown			0	15	0,6	0	0	0	0	
3	5836	Pin	iron	brown	brown		0	2,5	0,3	0	0	0	0	Iron pin frag- ment.
4	938	Bracelet	iron	blackish brown			0	0	0,5	0	0	6,4	0	Heavily encrustated.
5	5419	Bracelet	iron	very dark brown			0	9	0,5	7	0	0	0	Iron bracelet with rounded and flat ends.
6	5406	Sickle	iron	dark brown			0	8,5	0	5	0	0	0	Fragment of an iron sickle.
7	945	Handle	iron	oxided brown	gray		0	18	0,6	0,9	0	0	0	Spoon handle V-shaped in section. The handle curves describing a sort of light S. Encrustated and corroded.
8	5400	Blade	iron	gray	gray		0	6,6	0	2	0	0	0	
9	5410	Blade	iron	brown			0	7,5	0,5	2,1	0	0	0	Fragment of iron blade.

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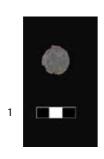


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Nr.	HM no.	Descrip- tion	Mate- rial	Color	Color (sec)	Decora- tion	Ht	Lg	Th	Wh	Wt	D1	D2	Notes
1	285	Button	bronze	dark green			0	0	0	0	0	2,3	0	
2	5987	Button	bone	yellow			0	0	0,3	0	0	1,5	0	Bone button with five holes.
3	5993	Worked bone	bone	yellowish brown			0	3,5	0,3	0	0	0	0	
4	5997	Worked bone	bone	yellow	yellow		0	5	0,4	0,6	0	0	0	Worked bone. Toothed edge.
5	6000	Bracelet	glass	blue	light blue	twisted	0,7	3,7	0	0	0	0	0	Fragment of a bracelet decorated with a spiral motif.
6	2763	Tobacco pipe	clay	light olive brown	gray	bur- nished, self-slip	4,3	0	0,5	0	0	2,5	0	Fragment of fluted pipe-bowl. Thin grooves incised along the body. Small circular elements are applied at the end of each one of the incised grooves.
7	5275	Tobacco pipe	clay	red	gray	bur- nished, incised	3	4,5	0	2,5	0	0	0	Fragment of a tobacco pipe
8	5399	Tobacco pipe	clay	reddish brown	red	slip, bur- nished, incised	0	2,2	0,5	3,5	0	0	0	Tobacco pipe fragment with incised decoration (geometric motifs and possibly an awl).
9	5413	Tobacco pipe	clay	black	gray	slip, bur- nished, incised, applied	0	5,5	0,6	3,5	0	0	0	Tobacco pipe fragment decorated with floral motifs.
10	5414	Tobacco pipe	clay	brown	brown		0	3,5	0,5	0,02	0	0	0	Tobacco pipe fragment.
11	5425	Tobacco pipe	clay	reddish brown	gray		2,3	4	0	0	0	3	0	

Nr.	HM no.	Descrip- tion	Mate- rial	Color	Color (sec)	Decora- tion	Ht	Lg	Th	Wh	Wt	D1	D2	Notes
12	5540	Tobacco pipe	clay	red	reddish yellow	incised, painted	0	5,5	0,5	0	0	2,5	0	Tobacco pipe with a floral decoration.
13	5988	Tobacco pipe	clay	black	dark gray	slip, bur- nished, incised, excised.	0	5,5	0,3	2,8	0	0	0	Tobacco pipe decorated with incised and ex- cised geometric motif along the outer surface.
14	5986	Needle	iron	brown			0	13	0	0	0	0	0	
15	5985	Pestle	stone	gray			0	11	5	0	0	0	0	
16	6007	Tool	iron	dark yellowish brown			0	3,2	0,5	1,2	0	0	0	Uncertain func- tion.
17	6001	Band	iron	dark brown			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
18	6002	Blade	iron	brown			0	8,6	0,3	1,5	0	0	0	
19	5996	Pin	iron	brown			0	5	0,2	0	0	0	0	Fragment of iron pin.
20	5989	Tack	iron	dark brown			0	0	0,3	0	0	2	0	
21	5990	Fishing hook	iron	brown			6	0	0,5	0	0	0	0	
22	5991	Spatula	iron	dark brown			0	5	0,2	0	0	0	0	
23	5995	Coin	bronze	green		en- graved	0	0	0	0	0	1,5	0	Coin dated to 1277 (AD 1861), to the reign of Abdulaziz (1830-1861 AD).

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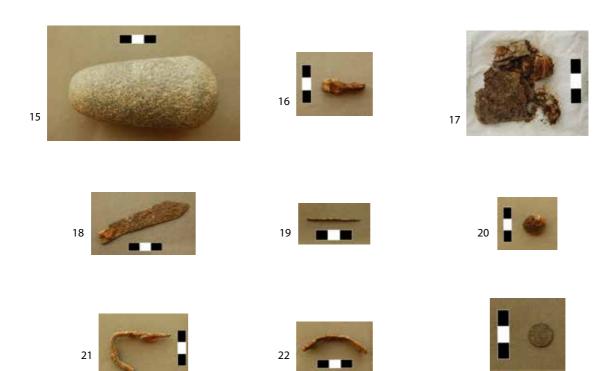








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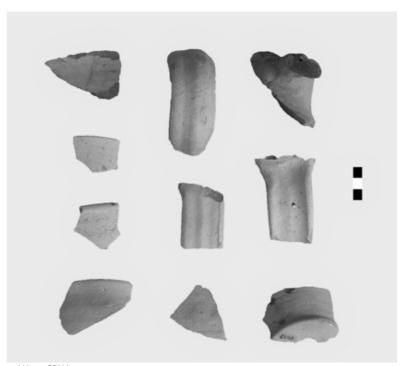
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# **Phase VI**



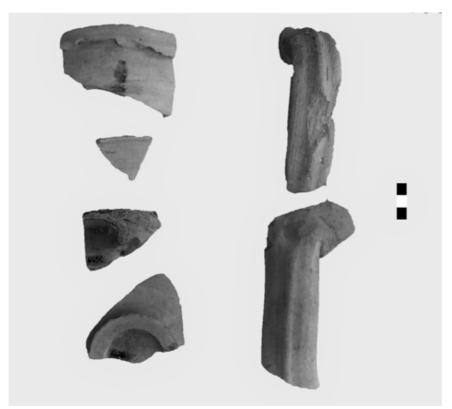
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Ware:CRW

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# **Phase VII**



Ware:GreenW