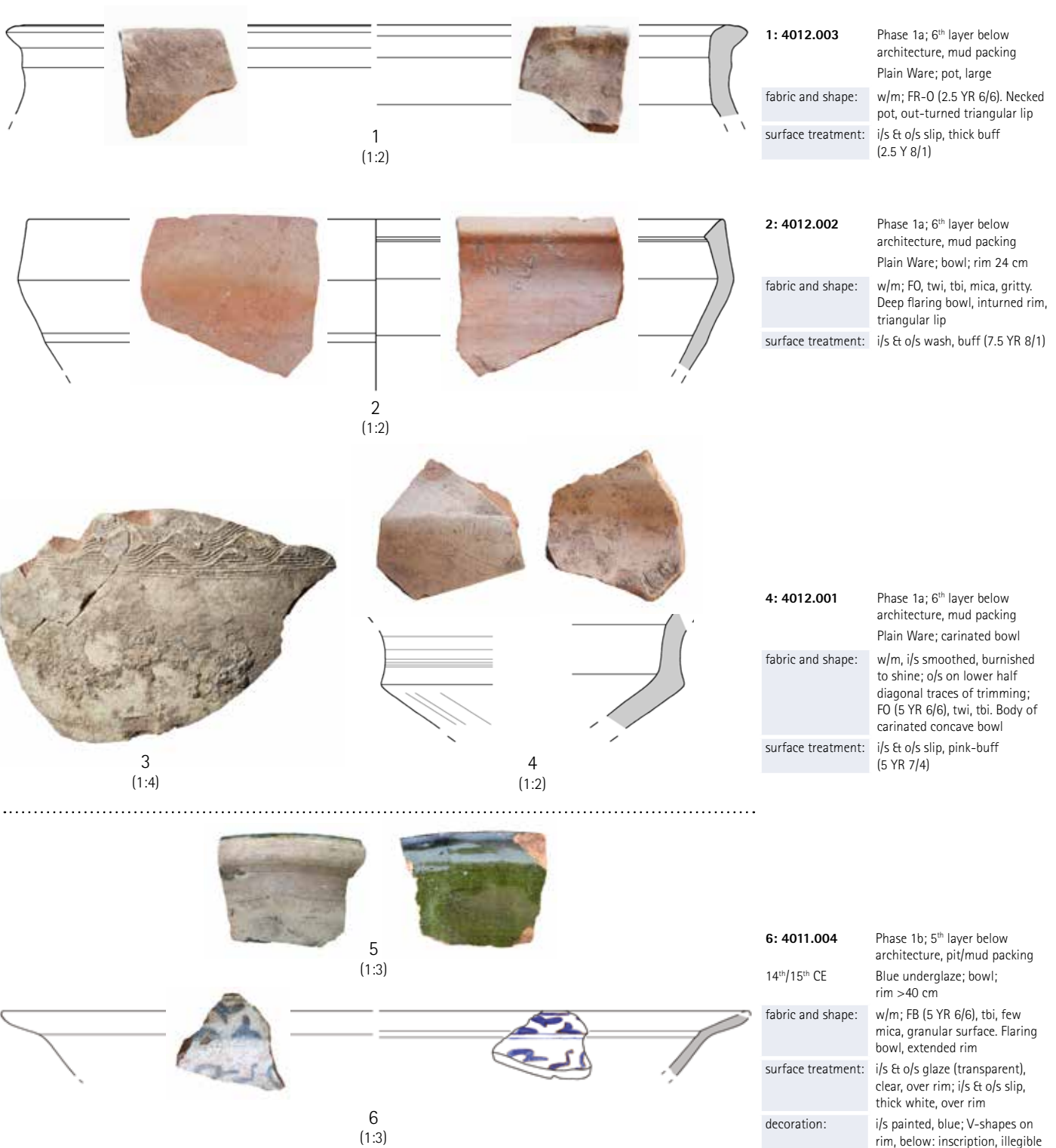


## Trench 4 – Pottery Catalogue



Pl. 278 Pottery from Phases 1a, Units 4012 (nos. 1; 2; 4); 4013 (no. 3) and Phase 1b, Unit 4011 (nos. 5; 6), clay structure and the lowest levels of a younger pit, mixed assemblage

Nos. 1; 2; 4: wheelmade, fine earthenware vessels, carinated shapes, trimmed and polished.

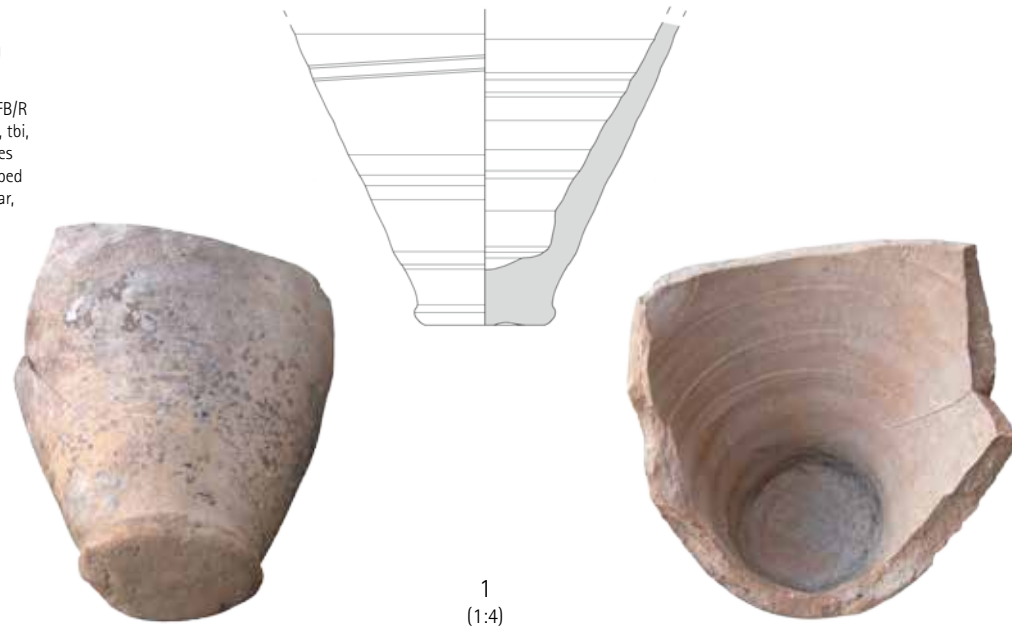
No. 3: large storage jar, buff slip, incised ('combed') decoration (4013); no. 4: pre-Islamic.

No. 5: green-glazed bowl, no slip; no. 6: blue-underglaze earthenware dish, with inscription (overhead)

**1: 4011.001** Phase 1b; 5<sup>th</sup> layer below architecture, pit/mud packing  
Plain Ware; jar; base c. 7 cm

**fabric and shape:** w/m, i/s strong wheel marks; FB/R (5 YR 7/4, 7.5 YR 7/6), porous, tbi, twi, mwi, mica; few large pores (1.5 x 0.4 cm). Irregularly shaped base of a large pear-shaped jar, triangular base plate

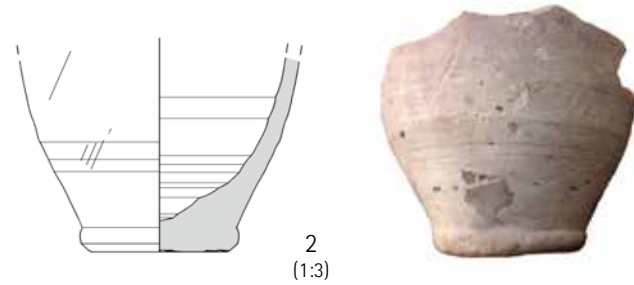
**surface treatment:** i/s & o/s wash, buff



**2: 4011.002** Phase 1b; 5<sup>th</sup> layer below architecture, pit/mud packing  
Plain Ware; jar?; base 7.6 cm

**fabric and shape:** w/m, i/s strong wheel marks; horizontally carved, diagonally trimmed; FO (7.5 YR 7/3), tbi, twi, mwi, mica, coarse pores (0.3 x 0.3/0.6 cm), very heavy & dense fabric. Flat disc base, rounded

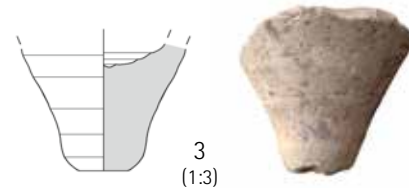
**surface treatment:** i/s & o/s slip, buff (7.5 YR 8/3)



**3: 4011.003** Phase 1b; 5<sup>th</sup> layer below architecture, pit/mud packing  
Plain Ware; jar; base 2.1 cm

**fabric and shape:** w/m; FR-O (2.5 YR 6/8), twi, slightly sandy. Pointed base of large, pear-shaped jar, massive base plate

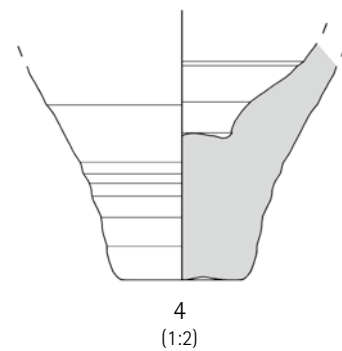
**surface treatment:** o/s slip, buff (7.5 YR 8/3)



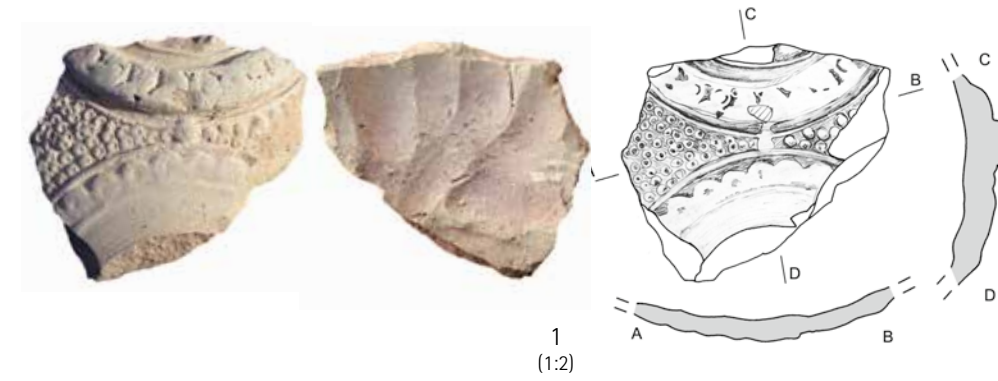
**4: 4010/4012.005** Phase 2a, 4<sup>th</sup> layer below architecture, pit/mud packing  
Plain Ware; jar; base 2.9 cm

**fabric and shape:** w/m; FO-B (2.5 YR 7/6), porous, twi, tbi, mwi, very coarse pores; o/s encrusted. Thick pointed base of large pear-shaped jar

**surface treatment:** o/s slip, pale yellow (10 YR 8/4) buff



Pl. 279 Plain jars from Phase 1b, Unit 4011 (nos. 1-3) and Phase 2a, Unit 4010/4012 (no. 4), clay structure and layers in a younger pit, mixed assemblage  
Nos. 1; 3; 4: large storage jars with thick, pointed base; no. 2: smaller jar

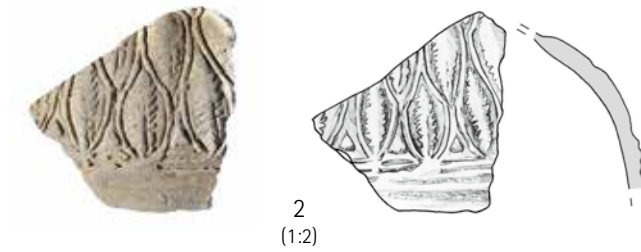


**1: 4010/4012.006** Phase 1b/2a, 4<sup>th</sup> layer bel. archit., pit/mud packing  
11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> CE  
Moulded Ware; jug

**fabric and shape:** moulded, assembled; FB (2.5 Y 8/3), fine, greenish-buff

**surface treatment:** o/s slip, buff (2.5 Y 8/2)

**decoration:** o/s two large medallions with pearl borders, central motif is not preserved, dotted ground



**2: 4010/4012.007** Phase 1b/2a, 4<sup>th</sup> layer bel. archit., pit/mud packing  
11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> CE  
Moulded Ware; jug; mbd c. 14 cm

**fabric and shape:** moulded, assembled; FB, mottled reddish to greenish grey (2.5 Y 7/1, 10 YR 7/1)

**decoration:** o/s aligned ovoid forms enclosing spiky trees

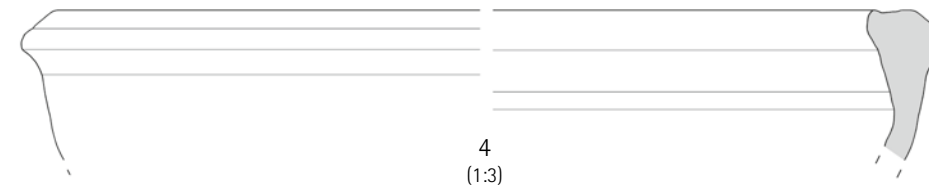


**3: 4010/4012.008** Phase 1b/2a, 4<sup>th</sup> layer bel. archit., pit/mud packing  
11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> CE  
Moulded Ware; jug

**fabric and shape:** moulded, assembled; FB (7.5 YR 8/2)

**surface treatment:** o/s slip, very pale grey (2.5 Y 8/1)

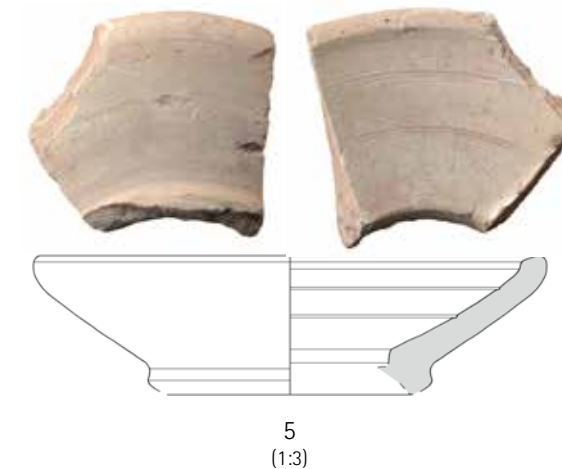
**decoration:** o/s aligned U-shapes with tear-drop pattern



**4: 4010/4012.003** Phase 1b/2a, 4<sup>th</sup> layer bel. archit., pit/mud packing  
Plain Ware; bowl; rim >45 cm

**fabric and shape:** w/m; MO (2.5 YR 6/6), twi, tbi, mbi, mica. Large bowl, grooved 'hammerhead'-rim, notched

**surface treatment:** i/s & o/s slip, buff (5 YR 7/3), o/s eroded



**5: 4010/4012.002** Phase 1b/2a, 4<sup>th</sup> layer bel. archit., pit/mud packing  
Plain Ware; stand?; rim 20 cm

**fabric and shape:** w/m; FB, (2.5 Y 7/2), tbi, twi, mica; interior smoothed, but grooved. Flaring shape, slightly inturned, triangular rim; open base = stand?

**surface treatment:** i/s slip, buff

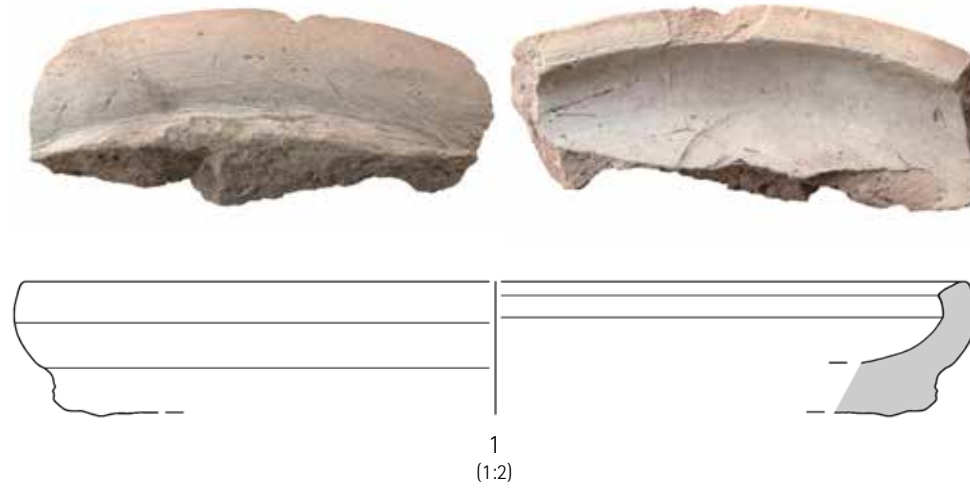
Pl. 280 Pottery from Phase 1b/2a, Unit 4010/4012, clay structure and layers in a younger pit, mixed assemblage  
Nos. 1-3: body sherds of moulded jugs; no. 4: large bowl, ridged rim; no. 5: pottery stand

**1: 4010/4012.004** Phase 1b/2a, 4<sup>th</sup> layer bel. arch., pit/mud packing  
Plain Ware; basin;  
rim c. 27 cm

**fabric and shape:** h/m; FR-0 (5 YR 7/4), twi, light and porous, chaff, vegetal inclusions, i/s impressions from burnt organic material (straw?). Shallow basin, flat base, inturned rim, angular lip

**surface treatment:** i/s & o/s slip, buff (2.5 Y 8/1)

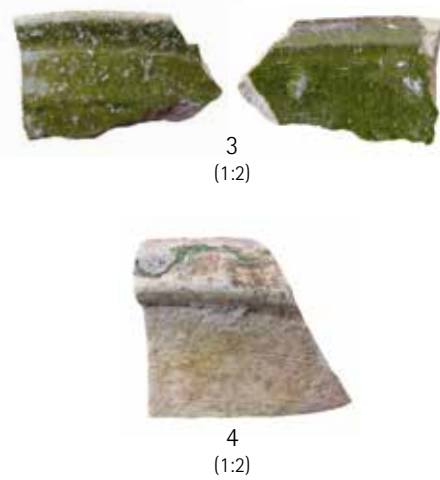
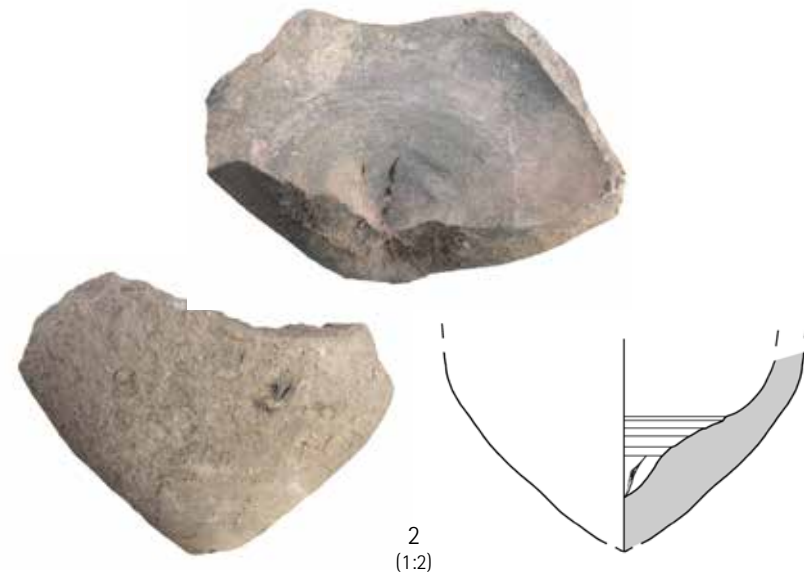
**decoration:** i/s irregular crescent-shaped nail impressions



**2: 4010/4012.001** Phase 1b/2a, 4<sup>th</sup> layer bel. archit., pit/mud packing  
Plain Ware; sphero-conical vessel?

**fabric and shape:** w/m; FB, dark grey (gley 2 4/3), twi, tbi; o/s slightly overfired, i/s cracked near pointed base.

**surface treatment:** o/s slip, o/s smoothed; Typical sphero-conical vessel shape, highly fired, but no stoneware



Pl. 281 Pottery from Phase 1b/2a, Unit 4010/4012 (nos. 1; 2), clay structure and layers in a younger pit cutting through it, mixed assemblage, and from Phase 2a, Unit 4010 (nos. 3-5), level above clay structure and in pit  
No. 1: coarse, organic-tempered basin; no. 2: unusual sphero-conical vessel (?); nos. 3-5: green- and mustard-glazed bowls, rims and base

Pl. 282 Pottery from Phase 2b, Unit 4008, debris level above clay structure  
No. 1: slip-painted sherd, 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> century; nos. 2; 3: blue-and-black underglaze bowl, frit body, 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> CE (?); nos. 4; 5: blue underglaze-earthenware bowls, 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> CE (?); nos. 6; 8-12: moulded, incised and stamped jugs/jars, 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> CE (?); no. 7: mould, lower body