

<b>Locus</b> L9899	<b>Dor</b> 199B	<b>Fld</b> G	<b>Sq</b> AH33	<b>Loc. type</b> TABUN (CARD 1 OF 3)
<b>Open</b> 13/07/93	<b>High at</b> 14.23 N	<b>Low at</b> 14.22 S	<b>Seals:</b> L9895	_____
<b>Close</b> 06/08/93	<b>18.85 W</b>	<b>13.75 E</b>	<b>Sealed by:</b> L9890	_____
<b>Floor:</b> type CIP	<b>13.85 N</b>	<b>13.85 S</b>	<b>Locl</b> L9880	_____
<b>Length</b> 0.8	<b>Width</b> 0.7	<b>Vol</b> [diagram]	<b>above</b>	_____
<b>Value</b> S	<b>Remove</b> [diagram]	<b>Drawn?</b> I DON'T KNOW ASK ISRAEL	<b>below</b>	_____
<b>Photo #(1)</b> 101182	<b>Photo #(2)</b> 101559	<b>Locl</b> UNEXCAVATED		_____
<b>Written by:</b> SBR	<b>Checked by:</b> JRZ	<b>below</b>		_____

Unit	Phase	Stage	Stratum	PoM
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**Summary**

**Opened:** WHEN L9898 WENT BELOW F9657, THE LOCUS NUMBER WAS CHANGED  
 read 9880 for 9898; see locl above

**Limits (N)** L9950 AND L9896

**(S)** L9950 AND L9896

**(E)** L9950 AND L9896

**(W)** L9950 AND L9896

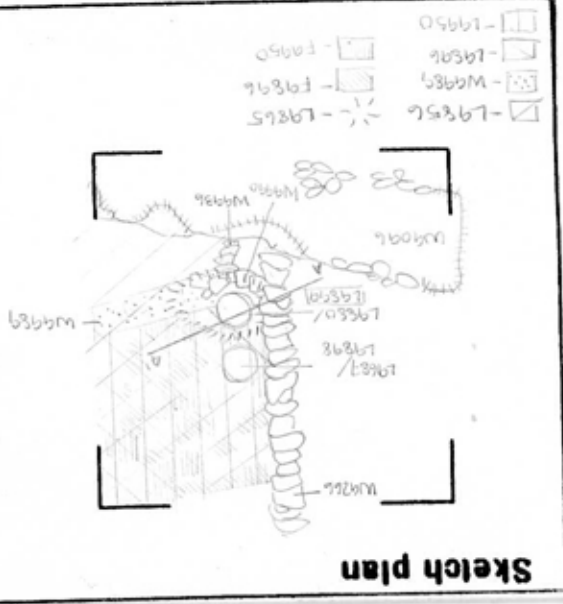
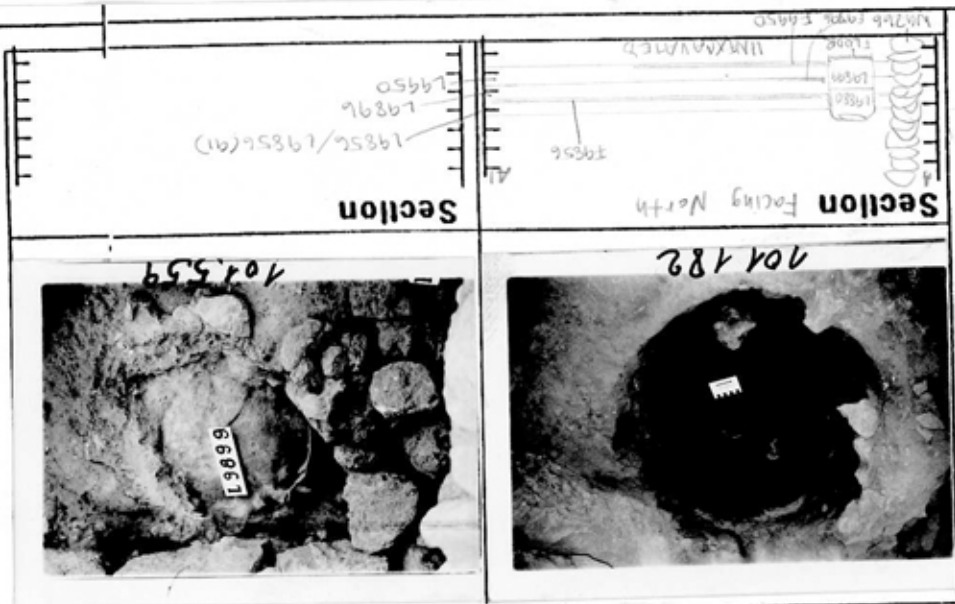
**Closed:** NOT CLOSED - END OF SEASON

**Matrix:** DARK BROWN SOFT SILTY SAND WITH A GREAT DEAL OF ASH, CHARCOAL, TABUN MATERIAL, BONE, AND A VERY HIGH CONCENTRATION OF POTTERY. JUST AT THE UPPER LEVEL OF L9899, THE TABUN WAS LINED WITH FIST-SIZE STONES ALONG THE NORTH-TO-EAST\* INSIDE BORDER, WHILE THE EAST TO SOUTH TO WEST BORDER WAS LINED WITH POTSHERDS WITH TABUN MATERIAL

**Relations:** IN BETWEEN. A COMPLETE CUP AND SAUCER WAS FOUND AT 14.15 - THE ONLY INTACT VESSEL FOUND WITHIN THE TABUN. IT WAS NOT SITTING ON A FLOOR. A FEW CM ABOVE THIS, THE POTTERY DENSITY DECREASED, ONLY TO INCREASE AGAIN JUST PRIOR TO THE CLOSING ELEVATIONS. THERE REMAINED, HOWEVER, SHERDS LIVING THE INTERIOR OF THE TABUN THROUGHOUT ITS EXCAVATION. FLOOR WAS DISCOVERED AT THE CLOSING ELEVATION, WHICH REACHED THE INSIDE SHERDS. IT WAS OF THICK ASH AND KURKAR. AGAIN, FIST-SIZED STONES PARTIALLY LINED THE INSIDE, ONLY FROM THE SOUTH ALONG THE EDGE TO THE WEST AND THEN THE NORTH. NORTH-TO-EAST WAS LINED WITH TABUN MATERIAL COVERED INSIDE AND OUT WITH POTSHERDS. NO POTSHERDS LINED THE STONES IN ANY WAY. THE SHERDS USED THROUGHOUT AS LINING WERE NOT SIMPLY BODY SHERDS, BUT RIM PIECES, BASES, AND SECTIONS WITH HANDLES. MANY FRAGMENTS OF IR BORING BOWLS WERE FOUND IN THE MATRIX AS WELL. SOIL REMAINED VIRTUALLY THE SAME THROUGHOUT.  
 JRZ 97: actually the stone lining is on the south and west sides; see photo 101758

**Relations:** L9899 IS COVERED BY L9880 AND SEALED BY L9885. IT COVERS AND PROBABLY SEALS UNEXCAVATED MATERIAL BELOW. (THE FLOOR AT THE LOWEST ELEVATION WAS DAMAGED BY VANDALS OVER ONE WEEKEND.) L9899 CUTS L9896 AND L9550. IT ALSO CUTS F9896 AND F9550. IT CUTS F9550 BECAUSE THE FLOOR LEVEL WITHIN THE TABUN

**Additional Observations/Value:** HIGHLY VALUABLE TABUN LOCUS. ALL POTTERY WAS SENT FOR RESTORATION ALONG WITH ALL OF THAT FROM L9880 ABOVE IT. FOR ADDITIONAL PHOTOS OF FINAL EXCAVATION STAFF. CHECK WITH ISRA.



Locus L9899	Dor 1993	Fld G	Sq A#23	Loc. type TABUN - (CARD 2 OF 3)
Open	Date	High at	Low at	Seals: _____
Close				Sealed by: _____
Floor: type				Locl _____
Length	Width		Vol _____	above _____
Value	Remove		Drawn? _____	below _____
Photo #(1)	107562	Photo #(2)		
Written by:	SEIR	Checked by:		

Unit	Phase	Stage	Stratum	PoM
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Summary

Opened: \_\_\_\_\_

Limits (N) \_\_\_\_\_

(S) \_\_\_\_\_

(E) \_\_\_\_\_

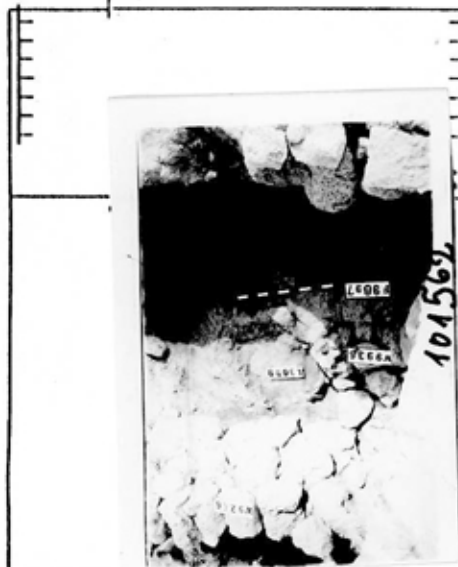
(W) \_\_\_\_\_

Closed: \_\_\_\_\_

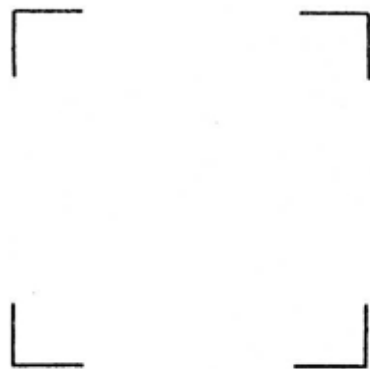
Matrix: \_\_\_\_\_

**Relations:** IS AT A SLIGHTLY LOWER ELEVATION THAN THE LEVEL OF F9550 WHICH SURROUNDS THE TABUN, AS WELL, F9950 DOES NOT APPEAR TO REACH L9899. THERE IS NO MUDBRICK DAUBING WHICH PATCHED UP THE CRACK BETWEEN L9880 AND F9657 USED BETWEEN L9899 AND F9550. ALTHOUGH THE TABUN IS IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO W9266, THE ONLY RELATIONSHIP THEY SHARE IS THAT WITH F9950 WHICH REACHES W9266, AND F9950 COULD NOT BE TRACED TO EITHER W9990 OR W9936. THE REMOVAL OF W9989 LT. AND THE AREA DIRECTLY BELOW IT MAY REVEAL A FLOOR THAT REACHES ONE OF THESE TWO WAYS. W9990 DOES MAKE A CONVENIENT CORNER WITH W9266 JUST BEHIND THE TABUN. THIS TABUN COULD BE EITHER ONE CONSTRUCTION ORIGINATING FROM ABOVE F9657, OR MORE THAN TWO PHASES OF CONSTRUCTION WHICH WERE NOT DISCERNABLE DURING EXCAVATION. THE TABUN, L9880 AND L9899, WAS MOST LIKELY EARLIER THAN TABUN L9658 AND L9898, WHICH LIES JUST TO THE NORTH. THIS IS BECAUSE THE UPPER TABUN STRUCTURE WAS SQUASHED BY A POSSIBLE FUMBLE L9865, AND BOTH TABUNS BEGAN AT APPROXIMATELY THE SAME LEVEL AT F9657. THE TWO TABUNS MAY ALSO HAVE BEEN USED AT THE SAME TIME.

Additional Observations/Value: \_\_\_\_\_



Section



Sketch plan

Locus LJ 9899	Dor 1997	Fld G <sub>1</sub>	Sq AH33	Loc. type TABUN	(CARD 2 OF 3)
Open	Date	High at	Low at	Seals:	
Close				Sealed by:	
Floor: type				Loci	SEE PREVIOUS LOCUS CARDS
Length	Width		Vol	above	
Value	Remove		Drawn?	below	
Photo #(1)	Photo #(2)				
Written by: MAS	Checked by: JRZ				

Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Phase \_\_\_\_\_ Stage \_\_\_\_\_ Stratum \_\_\_\_\_ PoM \_\_\_\_\_

Summary

Opened: SEE PREVIOUS LOCUS CARDS

Limits (N) SEE PREVIOUS LOCUS CARDS AND L18209, F18209, L18247, F18247

(S) SEE PREVIOUS LOCUS CARDS

(E) SEE PREVIOUS LOCUS CARDS AND L18209, F18209, L18247, F18247

(W) SEE PREVIOUS LOCUS CARDS

Closed: TABUN BOTTOMED OUT; tabun removed

Matrix: SEE PREVIOUS LOCUS CARDS. MORE ASH AND CHARCOAL FLECKS ABOVE A PLASTER BOTTOM THAT WAS SUNK DOWN IN THE NORTH OF [9899].

Relations: SEE PREVIOUS LOCUS CARDS.

N, E: [9899] MAY HAVE CUT L18209, F18209, L18247 AND F18247 AS [9899] HAS FINDING ELEVATIONS BELOW ALL OF THESE LOCI. SEE CARD L18209 FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION.

F18247 is thus the lowest floor which could relate to tabun [9899]. It floats above L18278.

Additional Observations/Value: HIGH VALUE IR TABUN.

**LOCUS**

L 9899

**Sketch plan**



166292



166297

**Section**



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▨ = L 9899

F18209 WAS ONLY OBSERVED IN BALK.

§§§ = F18247