

Locus 9928	Dor 19 93	Fld G ₁	Sq A 1,33/34	Loc. type Fill to basin/floor
Open Date 20/07/93	High at 13.35 W	Low at 13.32 E	Seals: _____	
Close Date 27/07/93	13.08 W	13.00 W	Sealed by: _____	
Floor: type CE	13.08 W	13.00 W	Locl 9919, 9926	
Length 2.4	Width 2.0	Vol	above _____	
Value P ₁	Remove	Drawn? Y E S	Locl _____	
Photo #(1) 101671	Photo #(2) 101672	Locl _____	below _____	
Written by: RSS	Checked by: JRZ			

Unit	Phase	Stage	Stratum	PoM
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Summary

Opened: L9919 came down on pit L9926. L9919 was split into L9926, and L9927 to S. and L9928 to N. in order to create a bench.

Limits (N) W9211
(S) L9927 and L9926
(E) W9684
(W) W9275.

Closed: Came down on tucker floor F9928

Matrix: Dense compact mudbrick debris in SW similar to L9919 and L9927. Mostly loose, medium brown loam with pockets of tucker and ash. Not similar to brightly colored material in L9926 to S. Floor is thick tucker or clay plaster, formed into a smooth basin. Sparse pottery except one almost complete amphora apparently thrown in as fill, and also a human tooth. Some areas

Relations: of the floor appeared to be stained with small circular (fomalia) spots of organic material.

(RELATIONS): L9919 covers but does not seal L9928

To the N: L9928 reaches W9211. In the E. portion where L9928 reaches the wall, W9211 is one row of stones thicker and made into what appears to be a bench (see drawing). The top level of this bench is the floor level of L9816, Doreen's floor. The floor continues up, joining with wall plaster along the N. face of W9211, although the plaster does not extend any higher than the level of the bench. The bench may be a feature associated with the basin or it may be part of an earlier (second from top) phase to W9211.

To the E: L9928 reaches W9684. The floor also reaches the wall at its second (from top) phase.

To the W: L9928 reaches the E. face of W9275. The floor does not reach the wall, but it may reach a stone bench as on an earlier phase of the wall as yet unexcavated.

The SW corner of L9928 continues into the fill L9927 to the S. The remaining areas of L9928 have a different matrix to L9927 and the relationship of these two fills is therefore uncertain.

The floor F9927 appears to reach the S. lip of F9928, though for → See card 2

Additional Observations/Value: Very high value; plaster basin of as yet undetermined use.

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Summary

Opened: _____

Limits (N) _____

(S) _____

(E) _____

(W) _____

Closed: _____

Matrix: _____

Relations: a full discussion see 1993 card for L9927.

The pit L9926 appears to cover the SE corner of [L9928], but not to cut it. Pit material clearly lay on sections of the floor.

The floor will seal an as yet unnumbered locus below.

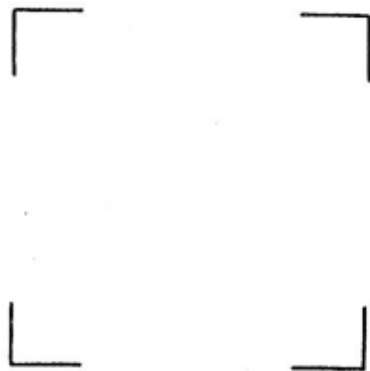
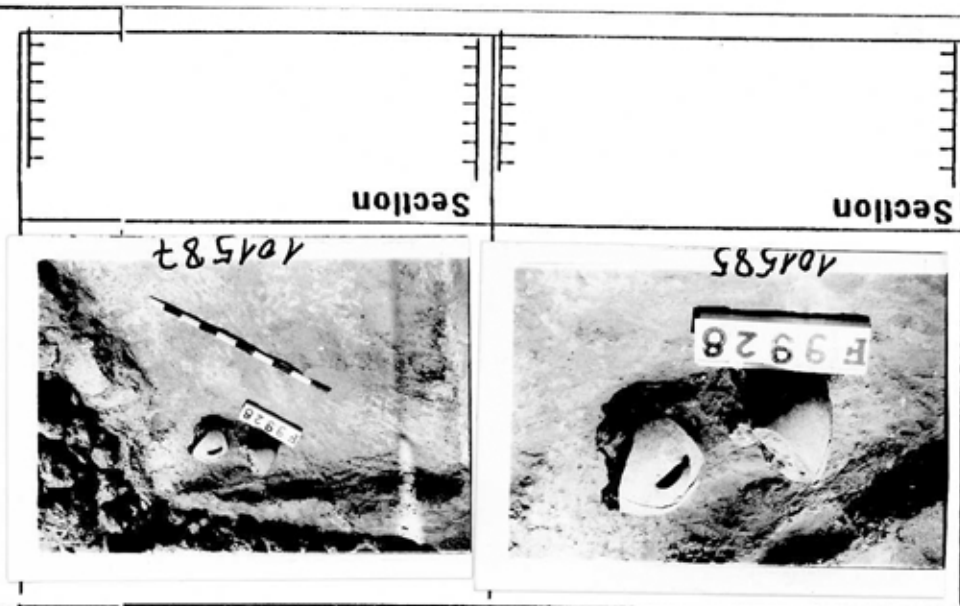
The plaster rises to a level of 13.48 on W9211 and to 13.45 on W9684.

The basin itself has very smooth, sharply sloping sides. The deepest area is in the NW quarter where there is almost a sub-basin with a level of 13.00. In both the SW and SE corners the floor does not make a complete corner, but rather shallow, long notches appear to have been cut into the floor.

The basin may have been used to press grapes for wine, or to prepare clay for pottery manufacture, among other possibilities. See also L9971 card for additional relations to the lower basin uncovered later.

Additional photos of floor: 101673 to 101696; and of pot thrown in as fill: 101583 to 101589

Additional Observations/Value: _____



Sketch plan