

### 3.14 Pearls | Karen Hardy

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Four pearls were found, during the sorting of the residues from Sand (see [Table 171](#), below). The pearls are all very small (<2mm diameter) and are likely to have been brought to the site unintentionally, either with seaweed or in shells. Interestingly, they were all found towards the centre of the main midden. There are also individual pearls from two other sites: SFS 68, Allt na Criche and SFS 20, Toscaig 2.

Table 171

Site	Square	Spit	Context
Sand (SFS 4)	B3B	6	13/23
Sand (SFS 4)	B24A	4	13
Sand (SFS 4)	B24A	7	13
Sand (SFS 4)	B25A	5	13
Allt na Criche (SFS 68)	Test Pit 1		6813
Toscaig 2 (SFS 20)	Test Pit 1		2013

Table 14: Pearls found during excavation at Sand and other SFS sites

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