

3.7 Sand, Report on the Coarse Pottery | Ann MacSween

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This report presents the pottery finds from Sand. Because of the small amounts, it is presented as a catalogue. The more substantial sherds are recorded in full and small fragments and crumbs are listed. All of the sherds were small or abraded and had no diagnostic attributes. As has been commented on in various papers (for example Lane 1990; Campbell 2002; MacSween 2002) fabric has yet to be proved a reliable indicator of date. As can be seen from the catalogue below most of the pottery comes from high spits and topsoil contexts. As such it does not relate to the Mesolithic use of the site. It is not surprising to find that small fragments of more recent material would percolate through the loose matrix of a shell midden such as Sand.

NB: P numbers relate the catalogue entries back to the individual bags. For crumbs weighing less than 2g, no weight is recorded.

3.7.1 Surface, Molehill

P27 Three fragments from different vessels. Fine sandy clay with c10% of rock fragments which has fired hard and is grey with a brown exterior. Th 8mm.

3.7.2 TP7, Spit 3

P26 Abraded sherd. The fabric is sandy clay with c10% of rock fragments up to 5mm long which has fired soft and is grey with a brown interior margin. Th 6mm; Wt 4g.

3.7.3 B4B SE, Spit 6, Context 7/8

P21 Small abraded sherd. The fabric is fine sandy clay with occasional rock fragments which has fired hard and is grey with buff margins. Th 6mm; Wt 2g.

3.7.4 Sand, coarse pottery from sorting

No weight = total weight less than 1g.

Table: Section 3.7.4

P39	A1B NE	Spit 2, Context 1/2	1 sherd	fine sandy	5g
P40	A2B SE	Spit 3, Context 29	1 frag	sandy	5mm
P41	A2B SW	Spit 4, Context 28	3 crumbs	fine sandy	

P75	A2B NW	Spit 5, Context 28	2 crumbs	fine sandy	
P119	A2B SE	Spit 5, Context 29	1 crumb	fine sandy	
P120	A2B SW	Spit 6, Context 27	2 crumbs	fine sandy, occ rock	2g (possible rim frag)
P42	A3B NE	Spit 4, Context 17	1 frag	sandy	
P43	A3B NW	Spit 2, Context 29	1 frag	sandy, voids	
P118	A3B NW	Spit 6, Context 17	2 crumbs	fine sandy, organics	
P44	A6B	Spit 1, Context 1	1 frag	fine sandy	6mm
P45	B1A	Spit 2, Context 1/2	3 crumbs	fine sandy clay	
P46	B1A	Spit 2, Context 1/2	2 crumbs	sandy	3g
P115	B1A	Spit 2, Context 1/2	1 crumb	sandy, occ rock	
P77	B1A	Spit 2, Context 1/2	1 sherd	sandy	5mm; 3g
P47	B1A	Spit 3, Context 13	2 frags	fine sandy/sandy	
P48	B1B NE	Spit 4, Context 24	2 crumbs	fine sandy	
P49	B1B SE	Spit 1, Context 1/2	1 sherd	fine sandy	6mm; 4g
P50	B1B	Spit 2, Context 1/2	2 frags	sandy	7mm; 3g
P51	B1B NW	Spit 3, Context 1/2	1 frag	fine sandy, voids	
P52	B2	Spit 2, Context 1/2	1 crumb	fine sandy clay	
P53	B2B	Spit 2, Context 1/2	1 body	sandy	7mm; 2g
P54	B2B	Spit 3, Context 1/2	2 sherds	sandy	7mm; 3g
P55	B2B	Spit 3, Context 1/2	1 frag	fine sandy	7mm
P56	B2B NW	Spit 4, Context 13/24	1 frag	sandy	
P78	B3B	Spit 2, Context 1	2 frags	sandy	6mm; 3g
P57	B3B SW	Spit 3, Context 1	1 crumb	fine sandy	
P113	B3B SE	Spit 3, Context 1	1 crumb	sandy	
P114	B4B	Spit 2, Context	1 crumb	sandy	

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P58	B4B NE	Spit 7, Context 7/8	1 frag	fine sandy, occ rock, organics	
P59	B4B SE	Spit 7, Context 7/8	1 frag	fine clay	8mm
P60	B4B SW	Spit 2, Context 1	1 frag	sandy	
P61	B4B SW	Spit 5, Context 1/2	1 crumb	fine sandy	
P76	B4B SE	Spit 3, Context 1	1 crumb	fine sandy	
P62	B5B NW		1 crumb	sandy	
P63	B5B NE	Spit 2, Context 1	1 frag	sandy, occasional large quartz	
P64	B5B SE	Spit 4, Context 1/2	1 crumb	sandy clay	
P65	B5B SE	Spit 6, Context 7/8	2 sherds	fine sandy, voids	6g
		Context 7/8	2 frags	fine sandy, voids	
		Context 7/8	2 crumbs	fine sandy, voids	
P66	B6B SW	Spit 4, Context 1	1 crumb	fine sandy, occ rock, voids	
P67	B6B SE	Spit 5, Context 1	1 crumb	fine	
P68	B6B SE	Spit 6, Context 7/8	1 frag	sandy, voids	
P69	B20B	Spit 1, Context 1	1 frag	fine, sandy	7mm
		Context 1	1 crumb	fine, sandy	
P70	B24B	Spit 2, Context 12	1 crumb	fine sandy clay	
P117	B24B	Spit 2, Context 12	2 crumbs	sandy, occ rock	2g
P112	B25	Spit 2, Context 1	1 crumb	sandy	
P71	B25A	Spit 2, Context 1	1 frag	fine sandy clay	6mm
P72	B25A	Spit 3, Context 1	1 crumb	fine sandy clay	
P73	B25B SE	Spit 4, Context 1	1 frag	fine sandy	
P74	B24B SW	Spit 3, Context 13	1 tiny crumb	sandy	
P116	B25B	Spit 2, Context 1	1 crumb	sandy	

Sand, coarse pottery from sorting (all very abraded)

NB: finds from squares Area B1–B24/25 were affected by a recording error on site that makes their location uncertain

### 3.7.5 Sand, glazed pottery

Table: Section 3.7.5

P91	SFS 4, Sand 1, Spit 1	1 piece glazed pottery
P92	SFS 4, Sand 1, TP11 Spit 2	1 piece glazed pottery
P93	SFS 4, Sand 1, B17A, Turf;	1 sherd

Sand, glazed pottery

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