

[PADIS code 0015]

**Arabic:** دير مار جاريوس / دير القلت (دير القلت) (دير القلت)

Site ancient name: St. George's Monastery or Monastery of Choziba.

Site location: Lat. +31° 50' 37.22" N; Long. +35° 24' 39.33" E.

Site extension: 10 dunams.

State of preservation: preserved.

Occupational periods: [Hellenistic](#) , [Roman](#) , [Byzantine](#) , [Crusader](#) , [Ottoman](#) , Modern.

Plates: I, III, XXXIX, XLI-XLIII.

## Hellenistic Period

Site typology: aqueduct.

Public architecture: aqueduct.

Bibliography: Meshel - Amit 2002, fig. 1a.

## **Roman Period**

Site typology: aqueduct.

Public architecture: aqueduct.

Domestic architecture: caves, cisterns.

Material culture: pottery.

Bibliography: Patrich 1987-1988, 66; 1990, 208, note 24.

## **Byzantine Period**

Site typology: monastery.

Public architecture: monastery (*coenobium*, chapel, monastic cells).

Funerary architecture: cave.

Material culture: frescoes with Greek inscriptions (chapel), mosaics with Greek inscriptions, inscriptions (cave).

Bibliography: Marti 1880, 12-13; Conder - Kitchener 1883, 179, 181, 192-198; Athanasiades 1895; Clermont-Ganneau 1896, 29-32; Vailhé 1898, 108-112, 117; Schneider 1931; Ovadiah 1970, 50; Meimaris 1978, 186-188; Ovadiah - de Silva 1981, 213-214; 1982, 137; Hirschfeld 1990, 29-31, site n. 15, figs. 33-34; 1992, 36-38, 113-114, 135-136, 207-208; Patrich 1987-1988, 66, figs. 26-27; 1990; Nigro, F. 1998, 208; Donceel-Voûte 1999, 87.

## **Crusader Period**

Site typology: monastery.

Public architecture: monastery.

Material culture: frescoes.

Bibliography: Schneider 1931; Benvenisti 1970, 365; Meimaris 1978, 173-174.

## **Ottoman/Modern Period**

Site typology: monastery.

Public architecture: monastery.

Material culture: paintings, Greek and Arabic inscriptions.

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