

[PADIS code 0016]

Arabic: تلة أبو العلياق جنوب

Site location: Lat. +31° 51' 6.31" N; Long. +35° 26' 10.74" E.

Site extension: see [Tell Abu el-‘Alayiq North](#) .

State of preservation: preserved.

Disturbance: modern cultivations.

Occupational periods: [Pottery Neolithic B](#) , [Late Chalcolithic](#) , [Early Bronze I](#) , [Early Bronze II-III](#) , [Early Bronze IV](#) , [Hellenistic](#) , [Roman](#) , [Byzantine](#) , [Early Islamic](#) , [Middle Islamic](#) , [Ottoman](#) .

Plates: I, III-VII, XI-XX.

Pottery Neolithic B

Site typology: occupational layers.

Domestic architecture: occupational layers.

Material culture: pottery.

Bibliography: Pritchard 1958, 14-16, 20 (diagnostic sherds: pls. 22:3, 30:11-12, 31:6-7, 12-13).

Late Chalcolithic and Early Bronze I

Site typology: village.

Domestic architecture: occupational layers.

Material culture: flint tools, pottery (among which *Grey Burnished Ware*).

Bibliography: Kelso - Baramki 1955, 8-10, pls. 1, 10, 33, 35; Pritchard 1958, 17-21, 42-48 (diagnostic sherds: pls. 22:12, 37, 57:27-35, 41-43, 54-55, 56); Foerster 1993.

Early Bronze II

Site typology: village.

Domestic architecture: occupational layers.

Material culture: flint tools, pottery.

Bibliography: Pritchard 1958, 14-16, 20 (diagnostic sherds: pls. 23: 6, 28:1-4, 7-8, 10, 57:46).

Early Bronze III

Site typology: village.

Domestic architecture: occupational layers.

Material culture: flint tools, pottery.

Bibliography: Pritchard 1958, 14-16 (diagnostic sherds: pls. 21:10, 22:16, 24:11, 28:5, 29:2-3, 6, 57:22, 40, 45).

Early Bronze IV

Site typology: village.

Domestic architecture: occupational layers.

Material culture: pottery.

Bibliography: Pritchard 1958, 14-16, 20 (diagnostic sherds: pls. 21:8, 29:1, 4-5).

Hellenistic Period

Site typology: fortress.

Public architecture: fortress.

Material culture: pottery.

Bibliography: Netzer 2001a, 325-326; Greenberg - Keinan 2009, 71-72, site n. 357.

Roman Period

Site typology: palace complex.

Public architecture: Herodian villa (pre-Third Palace phase), Herod's First Palace, Herod's Third

Palace (southern wing), bathhouse (related to Herod's Third Palace).

Domestic architecture: houses (pre-Third Palace phase), villa (post-Herodian Period), pits (post-Herodian Period: 2nd century AD).

Material culture: frescoes, column drums, capitals, mosaics, *opus sectile* floors, stone basins and furniture, glass, coins, *Terra Sigillata Ware*, pottery.

Bibliography: Conder - Kitchen 1883, 224-225; Sellin - Watzinger - Nöldecke 1909, 30-36; Sellin - Watzinger 1913, 12, fig. 4; Kelso 1950; Pritchard 1951; 1958, 1-14, 21, pls. 1-19, 53 (diagnostic sherds: pls. 40, 42, 45-47); North 1967; Kelso - Baramki 1955, 3-8, 10-13, pls. 1-3, 6-9, 18-21, 33-36, 38-40; North 1956; Johnson 1958, 24-29, pl. 60; Meshel 1973; Netzer 1974, 28-36; 1975, 93-100; 1977, 7-12, figs. 10-13; 1982, 48-49; 1983, 51; 1986; 1990, 44-46, figs. 9, 12; 1993, 687-690; 1999, 32-34, 40-54; 2001a, 7-10, 229-298, 317-324, 326-330, 339-341; 2001b; 2006, 45-49, 54-72; 2008, 45-49, 54-72; Gleason 1985; Nigro, F. 1998, 208-209; Donceel-Voûte 1999, 100-105; Netzer - Bar-Nathan 2002, 17-19, 119-121; Meshorer 2004; Yahya 2007, 15-17; Rozenberg 2008; Greenberg - Keinan 2009, 71-72, site n. 357.

Byzantine Period

Site typology: village (?).

Domestic architecture: houses.

Funerary Architecture: mausoleum.

Material culture: pottery.

Bibliography: Pritchard 1958, pl. 19:2-3 (diagnostic sherds: pl. 19:2-3, 41); Netzer 1977; 1993, 691; 2001a, 286, fig. 429.

Early Islamic Period

Site typology: fortress.

Public architecture: fortress.

Material culture: inscribed marble slab, coins, pottery.

Bibliography: Kelso - Baramki 1955, 39-41; Miles 1958, 24, 29-40, pls. 61-62; Pritchard 1958, 21-23 (diagnostic sherds: pl. 51:1-6); Netzer 1993, 691; 2001a, 10, 341; Cirelli - Zagari 2000, 368-369.

Middle Islamic Period

Site typology: scattered materials.

Material culture: coins.

Bibliography: Miles 1958, 40.

Ottoman Period

Site typology: scattered materials.

Material culture: coins.

Bibliography: Miles 1958, 41.

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