

# Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2011 – 12th Season

## Daily Log + Drawing

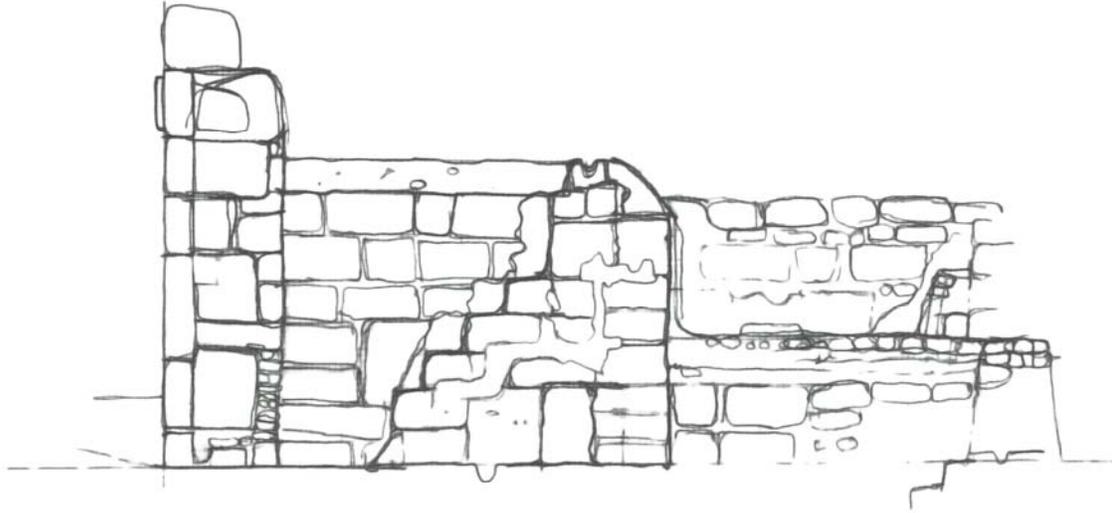
Date: 21 July 11 Area: NIP Manager: Schuler

Squares	XX99	XX/YY0	F9
Loci	1907	1938	1931
Baskets	2451	2449	2450
Walls			
Floors			

### 1) Northeast Zone

#### a) Continued work in Square XX99.

- i) Goal = Clarify more of Cardo 4 to the north and a possible entrance into the garden to the west.
- ii) Basket = 2451
- iii) Starting elevation = 129.17
- iv) Ending elevation = 128.84
- v) Discovered steps at west side of area next to fountain. May be a pool. Two steps visible. Top step at elevation 129.02, second step at 128.84
- vi) On east side. Entrance mosaic steps. Then another mosaic may receive water down from above.
- vii) The wall and track to the fountain are secondary.

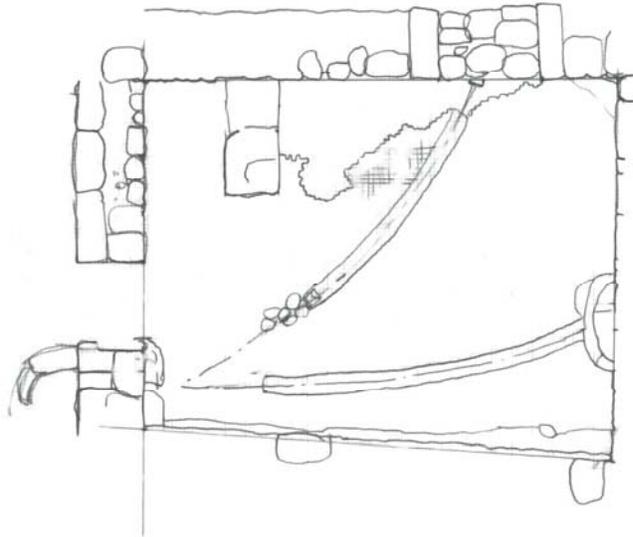


W 1922 - SOUTH ELEVATION

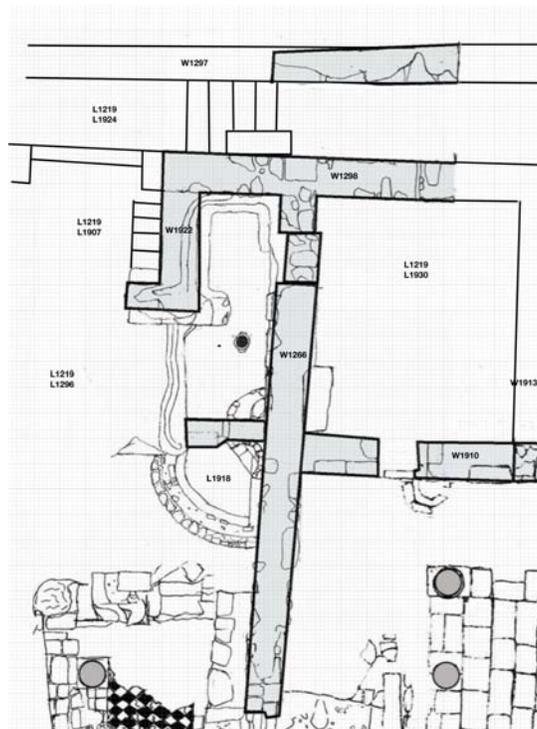
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b) Continued work in Square XX/yy0.

- i) Goal = Excavate NE hall of peristyle house
- ii) Basket = 2449 (Large pieces of MROM ribbed jars and Beisan jars; 3-4th. Cent. CE lamp fragment; stopper; 250 CE – 500 CE)
- iii) Starting elevation = 129.85
- iv) Ending elevation = 130.08 (top of channels), 129.84 (mosaic)
- v) Soil is Horizon B.
- vi) Two channels cross room on top of mosaic. One comes through the blocked doorway (bottom elevation at block door is 129.92, bottom elevation in center of room is 129.90). The other comes from a catch basin next to the east wall. Both direct water to the SW corner and then down under the wall to the cistern.
- vii) Catch basin outside doorway channeled watch through doorway to channel around door and into the catch basin in the SW corner.
- viii) Mosaic intact in many places. Geometric patterns in blue and white. Some other colors.
- ix) Channels were photographed and drawn.



NORTHEAST HALL OF THE HOUSE OF TYCHE



## 2) Southwest Zone

### a) Continued work in Square F9.

- i) Goal = identify the structure and function of Building Complex Alpha
- ii) Basket = 2450
- iii) Starting elevation = 128.83

- iv) Ending elevation = 128.14
- v) Soil is Horizon C.
- vi) Removed rest of fill.
- vii) Removed a Grinding Wheel (#590; Diameter: 37 cm, Thickness: 10 cm, Diameter of central hole: 5-7 cm)
- viii) Two nails were recovered: #591 at 6.5 cm and #592 at 4.5 cm to bend and 5.5 cm to tip (shaft is flattened)
- ix) Channel/fixture to the east next to doorway.



Top plan FA/F10

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