

Locus W 18248	Dor 19 ₉₇	Fld G ₁	Sq A ₁ 3H ₁	Loc. type WALL
Open 2.1/07/97	Date	High at 115.14	Low at 115.017	Seals: 183103
Close 0.6/08/97		14.79	14.64	Sealed by: 182137
Floor: type				Loci 18227
Length 2.1	Width 0.7	Vol	Drawn? YES	above
Value S ₁	Remove 06/08/97			Loci 181303
Photo #(1) 167106	Photo #(2) 167109			below
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Unit	Phase	Stage	Stratum	PoM
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Summary

Opened: CAME TO W182487 SEALED UNDER 18227. (W18248) DOVETAILS WITH W18206 BUT IT IS A DIFFERENT CONSTRUCTION.

Limits (N) BALK

(S) W9282

(E) 18238, W18223, 18255, 18258, 18280, 18274, 18222

(W) W18206

Closed: IN ORDER TO SEE IF F18268 CONTINUES UNDERNEATH W18248 AS W18248 WAS FLOATING. RANGING FROM 15-20CM WIDE TO 20-30CM LONG

Matrix: ASHLARS MIXED WITH ^{10-15CM} FIELD STONES AND INSTALLATION 18245. TOWARD THE ^{N OF} W18248 ASHLARS HAVE CEMENT CLINGING TO THE SIDES FOR 1.15M TO THE SOUTH THEN FIELD STONES CONTINUE SOUTH, THEN 18245, THEN ASHLARS AND A LARGE 50x35 CM ROCK. THERE ARE THREE COURSES, TWO OF WHICH FLOAT AND THE THIRD ^{IN THE 1.15M} WHICH DOES NOT FLOAT.

Relations: Loci ABOVE: W18248 IS SEALED BY 18227, THE MUDBRICK MATERIAL UNDER W9301. HOWEVER, W9301 DID NOT EXTEND ALL THE WAY TO THE BALK AS IT MOST LIKELY WAS ROBBED OUT. THE UNNUMBERED SOIL TO THE NORTH OF W9301 (4923) FROM 1994 SEASON) COVERS W18248 TO THE N ABOUT 30 CM INTO THE BALK.

N: W18248 CONTINUES INTO BALK.

E: W18248 CUTS ¹⁸²²² 18280, 18238, 18255, 18258, 18274 BECAUSE THIS IS ^A ROMAN WALL, PROBABLY A FOUNDATION AT THIS POINT ALTHOUGH NO FOUNDATION TRENCHES WERE FOUND. W18248 DOVETAILS WITH W18223 AS THEY ARE ^{PROBABLY} BOTH ROMAN AND BOTH FOUNDATIONS.

S: W18248 abuts ^{W18222} W9282 *

W: W18248 DOVETAILS WITH W18206 *

JRZ suspects that W18223 may be earlier than Roman, perhaps even Persian or late Iron Age, but there is no definitive proof because of the depth of the Roman building operations.

* W18248 = W18206 = W9301 refer to cards W9301 and W18206

Additional Photos: 166771 166777

Additional Observations/Value: HIGH VALUE ROMAN FOUNDATION WALL.

