

DUNADD ARCHIVE

SECTION 2: FINDS INFORMATION

2.5 *Lists of miscellaneous materials*

Unworked river pebbles

These pebbles and cobbles are highly rounded and have obviously been brought to the site from the bed of the River Add. Unlike the hammerstones and polishers they show no signs of wear. The smaller, spherical ones may have been used as slingstones but there is no mean of proving this as they were not found in groups. The larger ones may be unused stock, or with traces of use too faint to be visible. As with the utilised pebbles, these are beach pebbles derived from the Late Glacial marine deposits of the area and rewashed by the River Add.

No.	Site	Context
69	1	1
79	3	31
122	3	31
123	3	31
124	3	31
129	3	31
156	3	31
259	3	32
271	3	31
286	3	38
293	3	38
345	1	10
361	3	52
384	3	45
398	3	44
403	3	44
473	1	3
477	1	1
533	2	13
567	1	17
572	3	50
590	2	16
623	3	61
627	3	61
636	3	61
642	3	61
657	3	64
708	1	1
798	3	65
910	3	66
945	3	65
1073	3	83
1131	3	71
1193	1	26
1227	3	71
1269	1	28
1308	3	90
1491	3	94
1513	3	92
1554	3	90

1564	3	84
1755	1	35
1766/3	3	85
1792	3	105
1941	1	45
2128	1	70
2134	3	56
2271-2286	3	101

Miscellaneous unutilised inorganic material

This heterogeneous assemblage of rocks and minerals consist of local materials which were kept because their natural origin was not recognised at the time of excavation (rootlet concretion, iron pan); or because the rock type was not recognised, or because the object was thought to have signs of use. All of these objects could occur naturally on the site, though some could have been brought to the site from nearby. They are listed for the sake of completeness.

No.	Description	Site/Context
140	Slag.	Site 3(31)
156	Fire-cracked quartzite .	Site 3 (31)
229	Broken pebble.	Site 3 (31)
271	Fire cracked quartzite pebble.	Site 3 (31)
293	Banded quartzite. .	Site 3 (38)
349	Iron pan. .	Site 3 (36)
361	Slate pebble.	Site 3 (52)
366	Rootlet concretion.	Site 3 (43)
394	Rootlet concretion.	Site 3 (44)
398	Calcareous quartz schist.	Site 3 (44)
411	Concretion.	Site 3(44)
434	Rootlet concretion.	Site 3 (49) SF147
477	White vein quartz.	Site 1 (1N)
533	Calcareous quartz schist.	Site 2 (3)
567	9 pieces of white vein quartz.	Site 1 (17) core
572	2 white vein quartz pieces.	Site 3 (50)
590	Impure quartzite.	Site 2 (16)
627	Clay nodule.	Site 3 (61) SF181
636	Slate pebble.	Site 3 (61)
638	Fire-cracked pebble.	Site 3 (61)
638	Fire-cracked pebble.	Site 3 (61)
715	Schistose limestone.	Site 1 (62)
746	Clay nodule.	Site 3 (64)
758	Iron ore.	Site 3(66)
759	Schist.	Site 3 (66) SF238
763	Clay nodule.	Site 3 (65) SF228
768	Clay nodule.	Site 3 (65) SF248
828	Clay nodule.	Site 3 (65) SF247
883	Iron pan.	Site 1 (23) SF23
892	Iron pan.	Site 1 (25)
961	3 pieces of schist.	Site 3 (69)
966	Clay nodule.	Site 3 (69)
972	Schist.	Site 3 US
1001	Burnt pebble.	Site 1 (1c)
1016	Clay nodule.	Site 3 (71)
1039	Rootlet concretion.	Site 3 (71)
1048	Clay nodule.	Site 1 (20)
1053	Iron pan.	Site 1 (20)
1060	Concretion.	Site 1(25)
1081	Iron pan.	Site 1 (20)
1116	Slag?	Site 1(18) SF39
1162	Iron ore.	Site 3(66) SF291
1168	Iron pan.	Site 1 (25)
1169	Iron pan.	Site 1 (25)
1195	Iron pan.	Site 1 (26)
1211	Clay nodules.	Site 3 (78)
1256	Schist.	Site 1 (25)
1401	White quartz and red chert.	Site 3 (81)
1429	Fire-cracked stone.	Site 3 (88) SF397
1442	Iron pan.	Site 1 (37)

1450	Sandstone.	Site 1 (42)
1460	Burnt stone.	Site 3 (88)
1465	Iron pan.	Site 1 (36)
1498	Quartz, mica pegmatite.	Site 1 (37)
1521	Clay nodule.	Site 3 (92)
1584	Small rounded piece of tufa.	Site 3 (101)
1592	Yellow sandstone.	Site 3 (92)
1611	Iron pan.	Site 3 (92)
1615	Quartz limestone.	Site 3 (92)
1617	Rootlet concretion.	Site 3 (92)
1657	Iron pan.	Site 1 (u.s.)
1679	slag.	Site 3 (92).
1682	Limestone.	Site 3 (92)
1713	Quartzite.	Site 4 (6)
1721	Clay nodule	Site 1 (36)
1759	Rootlet concretion.	Site 1 (17)
1771	Iron pan.	Site 1 (32A)
1774	Iron pan.	Site 1 (32F)
1825	Slate.	Site 3 (105)
1904	Iron pan.	Site 1 (37)
1908	Rootlet concretion.	Site 1 (37)
1936	Rootlet concretion.	Site 1 (45)
1998	Fire cracked pebble.	Site 1 (60)
2002	Quartzite pebble.	Site 1 (66)
2009	Stone.	Site 1 (57c)
2013	Earth.	Site 1(58)
2014	Clay nodules.	Site 1 (70)
2017	Earth,.	Site 1(61)
2055	Iron pan.	Site 1 (45)
2056	Earth.	Site 1 (45)
2061	Schist.	Site 1 (72)
2062	Vein quartz fragments.	Site 1 (72)
2088	Iron pan.	Site 1 (57)
2093	Iron pan.	Site 1 (57A)

Unfired Clay

More than one kilogram of grey unfired clay was found scattered in lumps over Sites 1 and 3. Most of this material was found in Site 3 with a much smaller quantity from Phase I of site 1. The fabric of this clay is a micaceous silty grey clay with iron-rich streaks and patches. It is identical to the Late Glacial marine clay exposed in the bank of the River Add near Dunadd. This fabric is also that of the moulds from the site. Some of this material may therefore be raw material for making moulds. However, other pieces do not have the compact structure of the unused marine clay. They are blocky, with air spaces and contain occasional organic material and rock fragments. These pieces may have been used as daub or clay lining, but only one piece (396), has the impression of a wooden spar.

The unfired clay is scattered throughout Site 3, showing no particular concentrations, though most is found in Phases IIIB + C.

Unfired Clay

Bag No.	Site	Context	Weight (g)
143	3	31	8
396	3	44	63
416	3	49	25
435	3	55	28
461	3	55	10
526	3	50	15
543	3	51	11
554	3	U.S.	2
568	1	17	2
575	3	50	27
594	3	50	1
606	3	50	18
617	3	61	5
634	3	U.S.	1
640	3	61	2
704	3	65	2
729	3	62	22
733	3	62	1
741	3	50	6
762	3	65	18
781	3	65	6
804	3	65	4
820	3	62	7
905	3	66	3
914	3	66	4
925	3	71	13
935	3	67	18
943	3	65	2
964	3	69	24
1010	3	71	8
1036	3	70	13
1046	3	84	9
1069	3	82	2
1204	3	76	1
1218	3	78	4
1228	3	71	20
1270	1	28	17
1286	3	71	16
1319	3	105	18
1344	3	87	41
1354	3	71	15

1371	3	84	3
1381	3	82	13
1400	3	81	6
1471	3	42	1
1480	3	93	10
1481	3	93	20
1484	3	94	1
1485	3	94	2
1509	3	92	37
1514	3	92	12
1547	3	90	53
1566	3	84	85
1591	3	101	16
1610	3	82	26
1674	3	92	31
1700	3	98	22
1733	3	96	13
1767	3	85	2
1843	3	92	13
1854	3	104	33
1905	3	37	10
1940	1	45	85
1989	3	106	11
2004	3	105	5
2059	1	72	1
2090	1	57	8
2094	1	57A	141
2105	1	45	26
Total			1198g

Fired Clay

These are indeterminate fragments with no features enabling them to be assigned to moulds, ovens or furnace linings. Much of the material is extremely fragmentary. Find number is followed by site and context in brackets, then weight in grams. Weights less than 1gm not recorded. Many of the small fragments are rounded.

Find No.	Site & Context	Weight
99	3(31)	10g
228	3(31)	10g
253	3(32)	15g
254	3(32)	15g
290	3(US)	5g
321	3(40)	5g
325	1(10)	1g
353	3(44/5)	5g
363	3(52)	15g
374	3(38)	5g
385	3(45)	20g
391	3(48)	5g
575	3(50)	20g
579	3(49)	5g
610	3(48)	5g
695	3(61)	15g
722	3(62)	20g
755	3(66)/SF234	20g
785	3(64)	16g
801	3(65)	13g
811	3(66)	1g
829	3(65)/SF257	5g
850	3(66)/SF275	5g
906	3(66)/SF294	1g
914	3(66)	21g
939	3(67)	12g
949	3(65)	7g
958	3(69)	68g
1008	3(71)	40g
1010	3(71)	5g
1014	3(71)	2g
1032	3(70)	9g
1059	1(25)	2g
1068	3(82)	1g
1103	1(28)	2g
1142	3(82)	17g
1160	1(28)	1g
1183	3(73)	1g
1197	1(26)	14g
1231	3(71)	5g
1246	3(82)	4g
1342	3(87)	8g
1356	3(71)	1g
1371	3(84)	3g
1447	1(37)	-
1464	1(36)	3g
1499	1(37)	8g
1500	1(37)	-
1505	3(92)	26g
1514	3(92)	53g
1550	3(90)	29g

1552	3(90)	19g
1569	3(84)	5g
1578	3(101)	24g
1598	3(100)	6g
1616	3(92)	2g
1676	3(92)	31g
1699	3(98)	8g
1781	1(17)	1g
1840	3(92)	27g
1855	3(104)	43g
1867	3(106)	20g
1881	1(54)	7g
1882	1(70)	1g
1892	1(50)	6g
1896	1(55)	8g
1910	1(46)	4g
1924	3(102)	2g
1933	3(96)	2g
1956	1(68)	5g
1986	3(106)	14g
2065	1(62)	18g
2098	1(US)	3g
2107	1(45)	6g
2108	1(46)	-

Furnace Lining

Find number is followed by site and context in brackets, then weight in grams.

Find No.	Site & Context	Weight
100	3(31)	20g
112	3(31)	5g
120	1(5)	30g
185	3(31)	15g
284	3(38)	10g
322	3(40)	5g
323	3(43)	10g
343	3(US)	15g
393	3(44)	110g
406	3(44)	10g
528	3(50)	5g
543	3(51)	5g
551	3(US)	5g
552	3(US)	5g
597	2(13)	25g
605	3(50)	15g
683	3(65)SF231	1g
703	3(64)	1g
813	3(62)	5g
838	3(65)	5g
849	3(66)	5g
884	3(69)	5g
901	3(65)SF286	30g
914	3(66)	5g
988	3(70)	5g
999	1(22)	5g
1008	3(71)	10g
1128	3(71)	30g
1153	1(24/9)	65g
1179	3(81)	1g
1219	3(78)	5g
1234	3(71)	5g
1271	1(28)	30g
1362	3(71)	2g
1395	3(81)	5g
1423	3(94)	5g
1430	3(92)	30g
1473	3(93)	1g
1483	3(94)	5g
1516	3(92)	25g
1534/3	3(95)	1g
1549	3(90)	15g
1577	3(101)	10g
1606	3(92)	1g
1607	3(92)	5g
1651	3(95)	20g
1678	3(92)	5g
1699	3(98)	5g
1823	3(105)	25g
1832	3(92)	5g
1869	3(106)	20g
1887	1(53)	5g
1935	1(45)	5g
2027	1(70)	20g
2071/1	3(111)	1g

2072	3(111)	1g
2082	1(55)	10g
2112	3(71)	15g

Miscellaneous organic material

487	Small wood fragments, unworked. Site 1(10)
641	Root fragment. Site 3(61)
823	Puffball. Modern. Site 1(1b)
1363	Carbonised organic material, unidentifiable. Site 3(71)
1519	Small fragment of unworked wood. Site 3(92)
1990	Small fragment of carbonised leather. Site 3(106)
2054	Fragment of mineralised wood, unworked, Site 1(45)

Burnt Hazelnut Shells

864	Fragment	Site 3(69) SF315
917	Fragment	Site 3(66)
930	Fragment	Site 3(71)
1082	Fragment	Site 1(29)
1198	2 Fragments	Site 1(29)
1213	1/2 Shell	Site 1(78)
1230	Fragment	Site 3(71)
1288	Fragment	Site 3(71)
1523	3 Fragments	Site 3(92)
1541	5 Fragments	Site 3(42)
1743	Fragment	Site 3(96)
1776	30 Fragments	Site 1(42)
1860	Fragment	Site 3(106)
1879	Fragment	Site 1(57)
1895	Fragment	Site 1(55)

In addition some fragments were recovered from the floated charred plant remains. These came from the following contexts:

Site 1: contexts 26, 32, 37, 40, 45, 46, 49, 53, 55, 57, 60, 62, 68, 70, 74.

Site 2: contexts 11, 13, 14, 16.

Site 3: contexts 50, 51, 55, 56, 65, 66, 68, 72, 86, 87, 88, 91, 93, 97, 108, 111, 113.

Site 4: contexts 6, 9, 13, 15, 24.