

APPENDIX A: FIGURINES FROM SUBTERRANEAN COMPLEX 1

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Twelve Hellenistic terracottas retrieved from Subterranean Complex 1 in the 1995–1996 seasons have been published (Erlich and Kloner 2008:95). Additional fragments and complete figurines were found in Subterranean Complex 1 during the 1997–2000 seasons. The main types of figurines that could be identified are described below.

The assemblage includes a few figurines of the Iron Age II period: three horses, two standing men and one molded head of the type known as a “Judean pillar figurine”. The Persian figurines are also limited in number, and include three horse and riders (for the type found at Maresha, see Erlich 2006:47–48, Pl. 1:1, 2), one woman with a child on her left shoulder (see Erlich 2006:52, 53, Pl. 3:7, 8), and one standing man (see Erlich 2006:49, Pl. 1:3).

Approximately 80 figurines belong to Hellenistic types, some already known from Maresha (Erlich and Kloner 2008) while others belong to new types. Figurines depicting deities include one large statuette of Herakles (height c. 0.5 m), two of Dioscouroi (in addition to one from a previous season), Priapos and Isis (in addition to Isis or a priestess of Isis from a previous season). Other deities are represented in the following terracottas: Athena is portrayed in a rhyton (same type as Erlich and Kloner 2008: Pl. 49); a bull head with a stamp on the forehead portraying Athena/Tyche; an embracing couple (same type as Erlich and Kloner 2008: Pl. 20:106, 107), probably Eros and Psyche; and a Hellenistic pillar figurine with breasts (same type as Erlich and Kloner 2008: Pl. 24:130). This selection of deities joins Artemis and an Amazon, which were found in previous seasons.

Other figurine types include a woman holding a jug, a child playing with a cock, a slipped figurine of a standing woman (same type as Erlich and Kloner 2008: Pl. 15:68), a solid horse, a horse and rider (same type as Erlich and Kloner 2008: Pls. 25, 26), a camel rider (same type as Erlich and Kloner 2008: Pl. 31), one boukranion appliqué, different from the one already known, and some six rhyta fragments, probably with protomes of animals (same type as Erlich and Kloner 2008: Pls. 44–48). Many other small fragments, mostly of backs or unidentified, were found as well.

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