

Three Gozitan artefacts

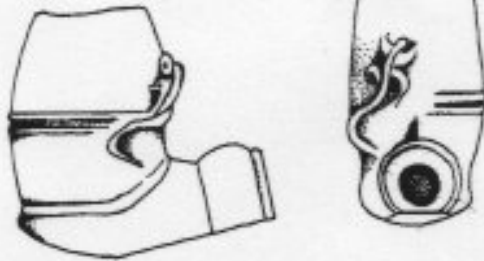


Figure 1 Gz1

Figure 1. Gz1. Shank opening 8mm. From a marine context. The rim is damaged, the bowl has several years' marine growth and the stem is heavily abraded. Pale brown clay with dark brown eggshell finish (slip?). Mid 19th century, probably later.



Figure 2 Gz2

Figure 2. Gz2. Also from a marine context: Xlendi Bay. Rim and stem damaged. Gritty micaceous terracotta clay with traces of burnished slip. Bowl and stem almost certainly faceted. Rayed dot decoration at base of rim. This style of pipe became very popular after 1850. It corresponds to Sarachane type X¹ and Varna type 1. Similar pipes have been found at Athens² (Robinson A20,21) and Corinth (Robinson C95-99). Also Kastellorizo, Tunis Medina and the Auberge de Castile, Valletta³.



Figure 3 Gz3

Figure 3. Gz3. Terracotta bowl, gadrooned, with 3mm rim. The shank is missing. Sicilian/Italian? 20th century? Found on a domestic demolition site on the Marsalforn Road, Rabat, Gozo, by Giovanni Azzopardi. 1999.

¹ J. Hayes, "Turkish Clay Pipes: A Provisional Typology", *The Archaeology of the Clay Pipe*, IV (BAR S XCII), London 1980, pp. 3-10.

² R.C.W. Robinson, "Tobacco Pipes of Corinth and the Athenian Agora", *Hesperia*, 54, 1985, pp. 149-203.

³ June 1999 Two similar pipes at Casa Rocca Piccolo, Valletta, another at Sitka, Alaska - see: McMahan, D. <http://www.alaska.net/~oha/index.htm>