

# Excavation at Kibbutz Eyal - 2012

## Quarrying Features, Walls and an Ottoman Cave

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This site was located on a hill south of Kibbutz Eyal (Fig. 1), in an area including:

- Two stone quarries: that in Area A (3.5 x 3.5m) was partly filled with soil containing modern finds (Figs. 2 and 3); the quarry in Area B (3 x 3m) revealed tool marks but yielded no datable artifacts (Figs. 5 and 6)
- Three terrace walls: that in Area B was exposed to a length of 4m (Figs. 5 and 6); and the two in Area E (Figs. 13 and 14) were parallel and wider (0.8m)
- One cave in Area C, yielding Ottoman-period finds (Fig. 10), as well as a *tabun*, a layer of ash and a wall-like construction (Figs. 7-9)

### *Captions to Illustrations*

- Fig. 1. The site location.  
Fig. 2. Plan of Area A.  
Fig. 3. Area A (facing east).  
Fig. 4. General plan of the site.  
Fig. 5. Plan of Area B.  
Fig. 6. Area B (facing east).  
Fig. 7. Plan and section of Area C.  
Fig. 8. Area C (facing northeast).  
Fig. 9. A general view of the *tabun* in Area C.  
Fig. 10. Ceramic finds from Area C.  
Fig. 11. Plan of Area D.  
Fig. 12. Area D (facing northwest).  
Fig. 13. Plan of Area E.  
Fig. 14. Area E (facing northeast).