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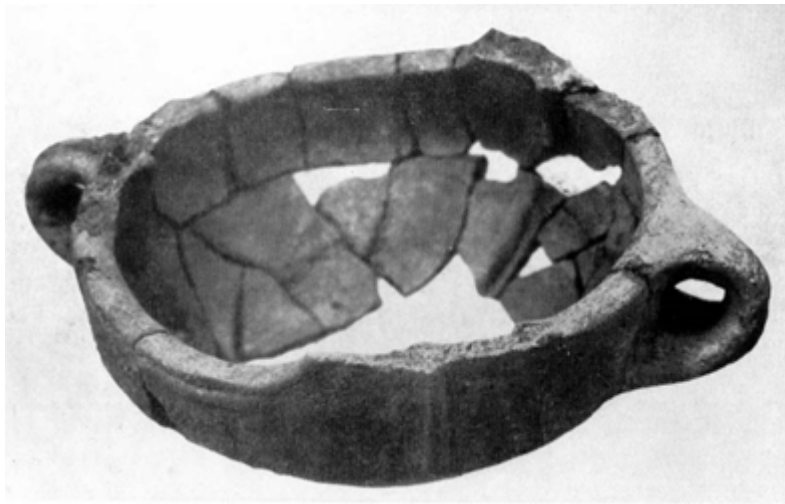
# Nuraghic village of Su Nuraxi

Patrimonio culturale  
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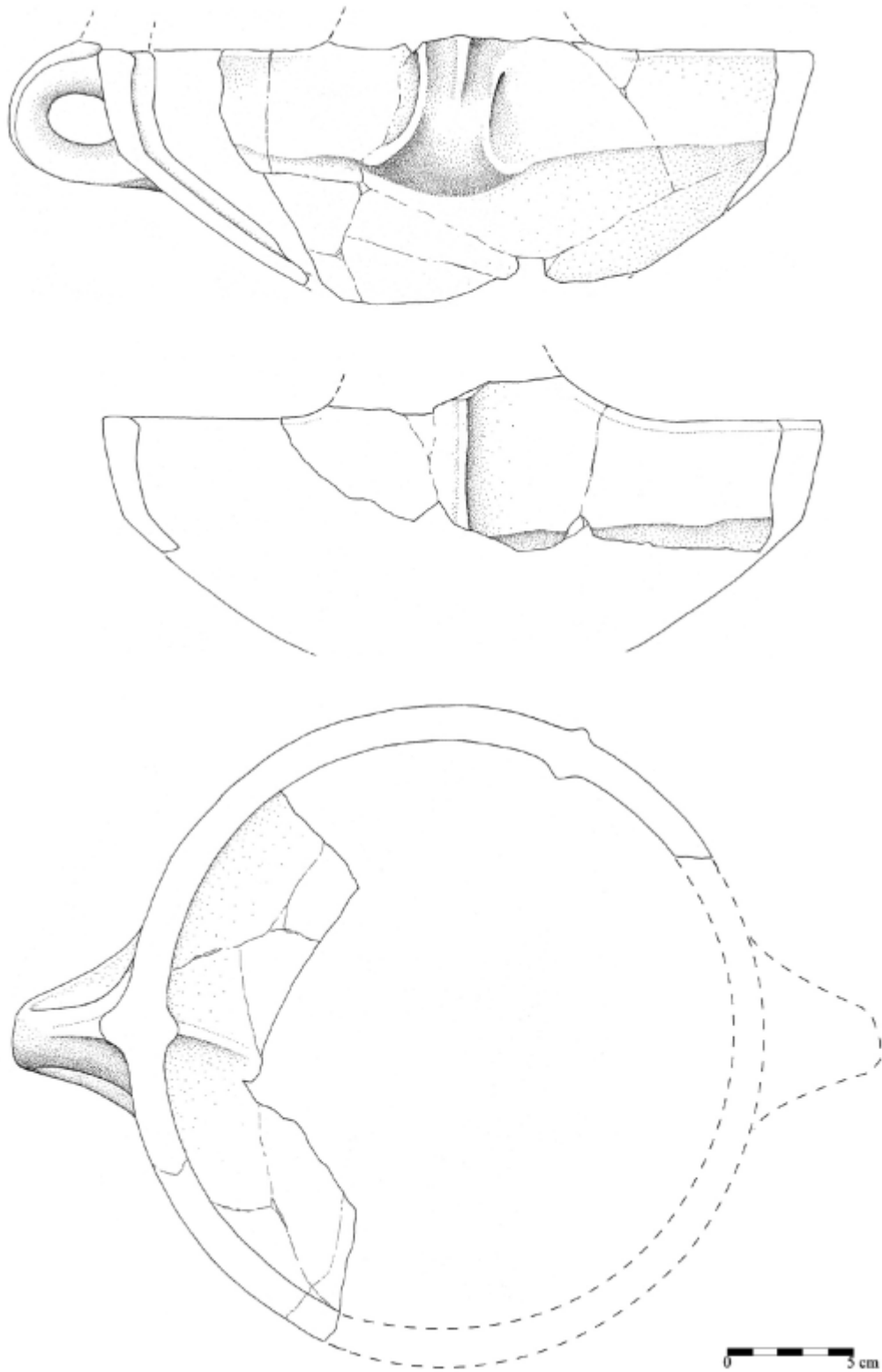


## ■ *Calefattoio* vase

The *calefattoio* is a container that varies in size, that supports another pottery container inside it. This is a kind of Proto-Historic piece of pottery that was used between the Recent Bronze Age and the Iron Age, with a thick bottom, raised on a ring-shaped foot, sometimes with a handle, with sloping attachments on the inner wall to support the upper container. In Nuragic villages it was used in the home, as a base for cooking or heating food, close to fireplaces and cooking slabs or directly in contact with the embers, where it has often been found mixed with layers of ashes and coal. A *calefattoio* vase was discovered inside well *c* of hut 135 in the village of Barumini, together with other pottery, coal and ashes, and animal remains, (figs. 1, 2, 3, 4), in the shape of a spherical cap, with an inward-facing rim, two round handles on opposite sides set from the rim to the widest part. Three attachments, now broken, were set on the rim and decorated with relief ribbing, that continues to the outside in the handle. Inside it contained fragments of deer antlers.



**Fig. 1** - Su Nuraxi, *calefattoio* vase found in room 135 (by Lilliu 1955, table LXXII).



**Figs. 2, 3, 4** - Archaeological area of Su Nuraxi, *calefattoio* vase found in room 135  
(from Paglietti 2011, fig. 4).

The artefact can be seen in the exhibition at Casa Zapata in Barumini.

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