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# Nuraghic village of Su Nuraxi

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## ■ The evolution of the hut structure

The houses from the Recent Bronze Age have a single circular room, with or without niches. The internal diameters of the rooms range from about 4.40 to 6.30 metres. They usually have a skirting of rows of stones. The roof started from the base, formed by a stage, was conical in a radius shape, with beams, covered in boughs and clay. There is a fireplace in the centre of the room. In the Late Bronze Age, round single-cell houses were still used, sometimes placed alongside each other or connected and the use of houses with several square rooms with straight walls formed by a base of local basalt stones and walls made from mud bricks is also documented. The sloping roofs were wooden covered with reeds and clay. Starting from the beginning of the I Iron Age, next to and above the ruins of the bulwark wall, there are no longer single-cell huts, like in the Recent and Final Bronze Age, but blocks of round or oval houses, with several rooms, arranged around a central courtyard, split into rooms allocated to cooking, eating, sleeping, and working (fig. 1).



**Fig. 1** - Archaeological area of Su Nuraxi: seen from above (photo by Unicity S.p.A.).

Sometimes the most notable dwellings also had a round room with a basin and tub, and adjacent oven (figs. 2, 3). The rooms, mainly straight with wooden sloping roofs, were built with walls made from small and medium sized stones.



**Fig. 2** - Nuragic village of Su Nuraxi, *casa a corte* 20 (photo by Unicity S.p.A.).



**Fig. 3** - Detail of a hut in the Nuragic village of Su Nuraxi (photo by Unicity S.p.A.).

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