



Megalithic circles of Li Muri

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■ Fragmentary bronze situla (Nuraghic complex of Albucciu)

Among the objects in bronze unearthed in the Nuraghe of Albucciu in Arzachena (figs. 1, 2), it is worth mentioning a fragment of a bronze situla, recovered on the terrace of the monument and associated with a bronze statuette in a praying position.

Situla is the Latin term for a container for drawing water from the well or for transporting liquids.

The small residual foil is decorated with embossed plant motifs (palmettos) and with areas filled by thick lines in an Oriental style. The three circular holes are where the handles join the container (figs. 3, 4). It may be dated to the second half of the seventh century B.C., during the Iron Age.

It must certainly have had a particular symbolic value, perhaps related to collective rituals.

The artefact is displayed in the Nuraghic hall of the National Museum G.A. Sanna of Sassari, among the finds from the monuments of Arzachena.

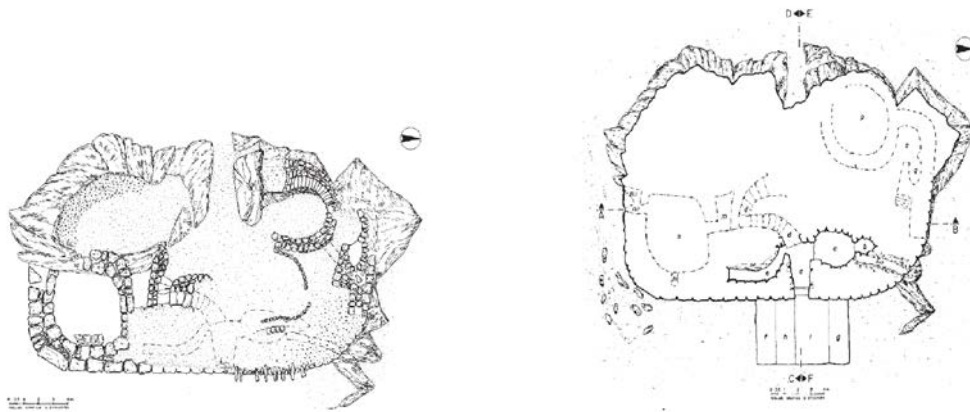


Fig. 1 - Nuraghe Albucciu, floor plan of the ground floor and of the upper floor
(from ANTONA RUJU, FERRARESE CERUTI 1992, fig. 12).



Fig. 2 - View from above of Nuraghe Albucciu (from ANTONA 2013, p. 97).



Fig. 3 - Nuraghe Albucciu: fragment of bronze situla
(from ANTONA RUJU, FERRARESE CERUTI 1992, fig. 23).



Fig. 4 - Detail of the bronze situla fragment (from ANTONA 2013, p. 103).



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