The Rayy Expedition

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PREHISTORIC CERAMICS

THE Earliest vessel found at Rayy: a bowl from the "ANAU I STRATUM"
PURPLISH-RED ZIGZAGS ON CREAMY GROUND. (SCALE 1:2)

A BOWL FROM STRATUM II
BLACK DESIGN OF RAMPANT IBEXES ON RED GROUND. (SCALE 3:4)

LARGE BOWL FROM THE PREHISTORIC MOUND OF MURTEZA GERT
DESIGN OF DARK BROWN FLORAL SCROLLS AND WATER
BIRDS ON LIGHT BROWN GROUND, IDENTICAL
WITH PATTERNS OF RAYY III. (SCALE 1:4)
SELJUK "MINAI" WARE, POLYCHROME DESIGNS IN MINIATURE STYLE
EXCAVATIONS IN THE MOUND OF CHASHMAH-I-ALI

The earliest remains of Rayy
were here uncovered
SELJUK PLASTER PLAQUE (11TH - 12TH CENTURY A.D.)
HAWK STRIKING DUCK. (SCALE 3:4)
GLAZED EARLY ISLAMIC BOWL OF THE 9TH CENTURY A.D.
BLUE KUFIC INSCRIPTION ON CREAMY WHITE GROUND
(SCALE 3:4)
SAFAVID ISFAHAN, A RELIGIOUS SCHOOL OF THE 17TH CENTURY
SASANIAN PLASTER PLAQUES FROM CHAL TARKHAN
PRINCE HUNTING BOAR (SCALE 1:2)
PRINCE MOUNTED ON STAG (SCALE 1:2)
IMPORTED CHINESE PORCELAIN BOWL
FOUND IN THE SELJUK LAYER OF RAYY
(NATURAL SIZE)

DELICATE SELJUK BOWL
WHITE WITH BLUE RIM AND INCISED KUFIC INSCRIPTION
(NATURAL SIZE)
EXCAVATIONS IN A ROYAL SELJUK TOMB
NOW CALLED NAQAREH KHANEH
ABOVE THE PLAIN OF RAYY
SCIENTIFIC TREASURES WERE FOUND IN THE TRASH PITS OF ANCIENT RAYY
DECORATED COLUMNS APPEARING IN THE DEBRIS OF THE Sasanian Palace of Chal Tarkhan near Rayy
EXCAVATIONS IN THE PARTHIAN STRATUM
OF THE CHASHMAH-I-ALI MOUND

Prehistoric deposits were
found underneath
THE SANCTUARY OF BIBI ZOBEIDEH
ABOVE THE PLAIN OF RAYY
SELIJK ELEPHANT OF BAKED CLAY COVERED WITH TURQUOISE GLAZE
(SCALE 3:4)
AIR VIEW OF THE CITADEL MOUND AND CITY WALLS OF RAYY.
IN THE DISTANCE THE MOUNTAIN SAR-I-TAUCHAL.
TEHRAN, THE MODERN CAPITAL OF IRAN, IS
HIDDEN BY THE GROUND HAZE AT ITS BASE.
TOMB VAULTS OF A ROYAL SELJUK FAMILY
AT NAQAREH KHANAH, RAYY
REMAINS OF THE BURIED SELJUK TOWN OF RAYY
PASTORAL SCENE ABOVE THE BURIED CAPITAL OF SELJUK IRAN