

Elms Farm Heybridge

Area D Features/contexts requiring dating evidence sections:

* denotes a fully-quantified group

Period IIa

Ditch 25024 (9094, 9409, 9486, 9514, 9798, 9967, 9970)

9409	Pottery fabrics MICW, GROG
9486	Pottery fabric GROG
9514	Pottery fabrics GROG MICW
9798	Pottery fabric GROG

All but segments 9967 and 9970 of this ditch contained small quantities of pottery. The absence of Roman pottery suggests a Late Iron Age date for in-filling. Handmade forms and the presence of sand-tempered Iron Age pottery may date the feature to the mid 1st century BC.

Gully (9689, 9776)

9689	Samian cup f27 (CGSW) Amphora Dr.1 (AITAF) Other pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), beaker <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR), fabric NGWFS
9776	Pottery bowl <i>Cam</i> 211 (GROG), jars <i>Cam</i> 229 (GROG) <i>Cam</i> 255 (GROG), fabric COLB

The range of forms and fabrics recovered, including Dressel 1 amphora, suggests that the feature was out of use by the end of the 1st century BC. The samian in 9689 and Colchester buff ware in 9776 suggest continued accumulation up to the end of the 1st century AD.

Pits (8001, 8004, 8013, 9081, 9097, 9124, 9611)

8001	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN[M]), beaker H (THORN)
8004	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), beaker H (NGWFS CGMIC TR)
8013	Arretine fabric ITSW Amphora Dr.1 (AITAL) Other pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH)
9081	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAG) Other pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH)
9097	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAF) Other pottery fabric GROG
9124	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 229 (GROG), fabrics MICW BSW
9611*	Arretine fabric ITSW Amphoras Dr.1 (AITAL) Dr.2-4 (AITAL AWINC) Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 1 (TN[M]) <i>Cam</i> 2 (TR) <i>Cam</i> 4 (TR), cup <i>Cam</i> 56 (TR), beakers <i>Cam</i> 82 (TR) <i>Cam</i> 102 (CGMIC) <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR), flagon <i>Cam</i> 165 (CGFCS), fabric NGWFS

These features contained imported Gallo-Belgic pottery or Dressel 1 amphora sherds, dating deposition from the late 1st century BC to the early 1st century AD. This date is supported by large quantities of grog-tempered pottery, mostly recovered from pit 9611. Some sherds of Roman pottery recovered from the top fill of 9611 and one of black-surfaced ware from 9124 suggest that these pits continued to accumulate material up to the middle of the 1st century AD.

Period IIb

Ditch 25016 (8223, 9234, 9238, 9268, 9342, 9347, 9965)

8223	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS
9234	Pottery fabric GROG
9342	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAL) Other pottery fabric GROG
9347	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS MICW

All ditch segments, except 9238, 9268 and 9965, contained small quantities of pottery. Though generally Late Iron Age in character, the presence of sandy grey ware in 8223 and 9347 suggests that deposition may have continued into the Roman period.

Ditch 25017 (9462, 9496)

9462	Pottery fabrics COLB TR BSW GROG
9496*	Samian platter f18 (SGSW), cup f27 (SGSW) Amphora <i>salazon</i> (ASALA) Other pottery platters <i>Cam</i> 2 (TRCG) § (TN[M]), dish B7 (BSW), jars G4 (GROG) G16 (GRS) G19 (BSW) G20 (BSW GRF) G22.1 (GRS) G23 (GRS) <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), beaker H1 (GRS), flagon J (VRW CGFCS)

The large amount of pottery recovered from this feature which dates deposition to the mid 1st century AD. Both segments contained residual pottery, notably a high proportion of Gallo-Belgic platters dating to the earlier part of the 1st century. Segment 9462 also contained an intrusive 4th century coin.

Ditch 25030 (9552, 9554, 9711, 9721, 9724, 9857, 9942, 9944)

9554	Pottery fabric GROG
9711	Pottery fabric GROG
9721	Pottery fabric GROG

The pottery recovered can only provide a broad late Iron Age date.

Ditch 25019 (9020, 9249, 9250)

9020	Pottery jars <i>Cam</i> 256 (GROG) <i>Cam</i> 258 (GROG)
9249	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAF) Other pottery fabrics GRS GRF COLB
9250	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 33 (GROG)

This feature, containing mostly grog-tempered pottery, is likely to date to the late 1st century BC, a date strongly supported by the amphora evidence. The small amount of Roman wares within the top fill of segment 9249 suggests that parts of the feature continued to accumulate material up to the middle of the 1st century AD.

Ditch 25020 (9240, 9319, 9451, 9584, 9646)

9240	Pottery fabric GROG
9319	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS
9451	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAL AITAG) Other pottery fabrics GROG GRS MICW
9646	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAF) Other pottery beaker § (TR), fabrics CGFCS GROG GRF

The pottery was predominantly grog-tempered and, supported by the presence of Dressel 1 amphora sherds and imported finewares, suggest that this feature was filled during the first half of the 1st century AD. A small amount of Roman wares were deposited at the end of this period.

Building 23 (D28)

9604	Pottery fabric GROG
9690	Pottery fabric GROG
9768	Pottery fabric GROG

Few post-holes and beamslots contained dating evidence. Pottery was meagre in quantity, but consistent with a Late Iron Age date.

Gravel surfaces (9233, 9490, 9589, 9386, 9601, 9636, 9717, 9722, 9744, 9753, 9761)

9490	Pottery fabric STOR
9601	Pottery dish B1 (GROG), bowl <i>Cam</i> 210 (GROG), fabric GRS
9717	Samian cup f27g (SGSW) Other pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 220 (GROG), flagon J3.2 (MWSRS) Brooch Nauheim derivative (SF4930)
9761	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH GROG), fabric BSW GRS

These deposits yielded little dating evidence, although the pottery that was recovered could be dated reasonably well. The presence of early Roman flagons, supported by grog-tempered wares and a brooch, provides a mid to late 1st century AD date.

Linear gullies (9074, 9095, 9175, **25001** (9085), **25004** (9168), **25005** (9173))

9074	Pottery fabric BSW
9095	Pottery platter A2 (GROG), bowl § (GROG), beaker <i>Cam</i> 118 (GROG), fabric NKG
9175	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabric GROG
9085	Pottery fabric GROG
9168	Samian fabric SGSW Other pottery beaker <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR)
9173	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAB) Other pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 255 (ESH), fabric GROG

The presence of Dressel 1 amphora sherds and samian, supported by predominant quantities of grog-tempered ware, provides a late 1st century BC to mid 1st century AD date range for deposition.

Pits (9037, 9195, 9218, 9230, 9466, 9540, 9792, 9801, 9847)

9037	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), flagon J (COLB)
9195	Pottery jar G23 (GRS) <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), beaker H7 (NGWFS)
9218*	Samian platters f15/17 (SGSW) f15/17R or f18R (SGSW) f18 (SGSW), bowls f29 (SGSW) f30 (SGSW), cups f27 (SGSW) Ritt.8 (SGSW) Other pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 13 (TN), bowl § (GRF), mortarium <i>Cam</i> 191 (IBUFM), jar § (GROG), beakers H1 (BSW GRF GROG) H7 (TR), fabric TRCG Brooches Colchester B (SF1553, SF3281)
9230*	Amphora Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery bowl § (GROG), beaker <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR)
9466	Pottery platter <i>Cam</i> 2 (TN), fabric BSW
9540	Amphora Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery bowl-jar E6.2 (GROG), flagon § (CGFCS), fabric MICW
9792	Arretine fabric ITSW Samian fabric SGSW Amphora Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery cup <i>Cam</i> 56 (TN)
9801	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAE) Other pottery fabric GROG
9847	Samian fabric SGSW

These features contained pottery that dates from the early to mid 1st century AD. This range is supported by large quantities of grog-tempered pottery recovered from most features. Pits 9792, 9218 and 9847, from which samian was recovered, were among the latest to have been filled.

Other Period II pits (9034, 9036, 9060, 9062, 9084, 9111, 9115, 9142, 9144, 9151, 9158, 9535, 9550, 9971, 9258, 9260, 9262, 9279, 9351, 9356, 9357, 9445, 9471, 9518, 9521, 9543, 9649, 9657, 9786, 9846)

9034*	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAG) Other pottery fabric GROG
9062	Amphora Dr.1/Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery beaker <i>Cam</i> 112 (TR)
9158	Amphora Dr.1 (AITAG) Other pottery fabric GROG
9279	Amphora Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery fabric GROG
9649	Pottery fabric TR
9351	Amphoras Dr.1 (AITAL AITAG) Dr.2-4 (AITAL) Other pottery jars <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH) \$ (GROG), fabric TR

All but one of these pits contained either Dressel 1 or Dressel 2-4 amphoras. These date filling episodes from the late 1st century BC to the early 1st century AD, with the emphasis, perhaps, on the earlier end of the range.

General Period II Pits (9036, 9060, 9084, 9111, 9115, 9142, 9144, 9151, 9535, 9550, 9258, 9260, 9262, 9445, 9471, 9518, 9521, 9543, 9657, 9786, 9846)

9111	Amphora Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery jar G8.1 (BSW), beakers <i>Cam</i> 113 (NGWFS), fabric TR
9258	Pottery jar <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH), fabric GROG
9471	Pottery jars <i>Cam</i> 254 (ESH) EF78 (MICW) EF108 (GROG)

Most of the pottery consists of grog-tempered and sand-tempered coarse wares, which cannot be closely dated. The pits that contained these fabrics only are not included in the table above. The pottery from 9111, 9258 and 9471 provide a date range of late 1st century BC to mid 1st century AD. Several pits (9115, 9151, 9518) also contained a few sherds in Roman fabrics. Pits 9111 and 9471 contained clearly intrusive samian sherds of 2nd and 3rd century date.

Period IIIa

Ditch 25028 (9349, 9925, 9765, 9875, 9880)

9349	Samian Other pottery bowl C1 (COLB), jars G17 (GRS) G19 (BSW) G20 (BSW) G23.1 (BSW)
9765	Pottery dish B7 (BSW) jar G19 (BSW), flagon J3 (COLB)
9875	Pottery fabrics GROG GRS BSW NKG
9925	Samian cup f27 (SGSW) Other pottery bowl <i>Cam</i> 51 (TN[M]), mortarium D2 (COLBM), jar G19 (GRS)

The pottery recovered from these segments, while not including many forms that can be closely dated, can be placed within the second half of the 1st century AD. Dressel 1 amphora sherds recovered from 9349 are residual. **Most of the samian in 9349 and that in 9765 is 2nd century (AD120-60)**

Ditch 25018 (9018, 9050, 9213)

9018	Samian bowl f29 (SGSW) Other pottery fabrics NKG GRS COLB GROG
9213*	Amphora <i>salazon</i> (ASALA) Other pottery bowl \$ (GRF), jars G19 (GRF) G20.1 (BSW) \$ (STOR), flagon J (COLB)

Ditch segment 9213 yielded a large quantity of pottery. This was predominantly grog-tempered, but also comprised a smaller, though varied range of Roman pottery, dating deposition to the second half of the 1st century AD.

Ditch 25026 (9113, 9117, 9119, 9122, 9318, 9380, 9406, 9575, 9629, 9867, 9975)

9113	Pottery jars G5 (GRS) G22.1 (GRS)
9117	Pottery fabrics BSW GROG
9119	Samian bowl f37 (SGSW) Other pottery bowl C29 (BSW), beaker <i>Cam</i> 115 (GROG), fabric NKG
9122	Samian bowl f37 (CGSW) Other pottery beaker H6 (NKG)
9380	Samian platters f15/17 (SGSW) f18 (SGSW) Other pottery beaker H1.6 (VRB)
9406	Pottery fabrics GRS GROG BSW
9575	Samian bowl f36 or f42 (CGSW) Other pottery dish B1 (GRS)
9629	Samian cup f24 (SGSW) Other pottery dish B1 (BSW) jar G5.4 (BSW) G8.1 (BSW) G23 (GRS)
9897	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
9975	Pottery fabric STOR

Small quantities of pottery were recovered from most ditch segments. Consequently, much of it cannot be dated closely. However, the Roman pottery, supported by grog-tempered ware in 9117, 9119 and 9406, is consistent with a mid to late 1st century date, although principal filling is likely to have occurred during the early 2nd century. This is suggested by the appearance of North Kent grey ware in 9119 and 9122.

Period IIIb

Ditch 25029 (9411, 9359)

9411	Samian Amphora Dr.2-4 (ABSAN) Other pottery dish B1 (BSW)
9359	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW Coin Denarius, illegible (SF3271) 200-235

A relatively large pottery assemblage was recovered from this ditch, although providing a somewhat tentative early Roman date.

Ditch 25034 (9700, 9709, 9888, 9741)

9700	Samian Other pottery fabrics BSW GROG GRS
9741	Samian Other pottery jar G19.2 (BSW), fabric NKG
9888	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (BSW), fabric COLB

Ditch 25034 yielded only small quantities of pottery that cannot be closely dated. The G19 jar in 9741 dates from the mid 1st to early 2nd century AD, a date with which much of the remaining pottery agrees. A dish in 9888 suggests that part of the ditch may have been in-filled at the latest end of the range.

Ditch 25035 (9581, 9606, 9648)

9581	Samian Other pottery fabrics GRS BSW
9606	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (BB2)
9648	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (BSW), jar G24 (GRS) Coin Radiate (SF4922) 3rd/4th century

The pottery recovered from these features cannot be dated closely. However, the presence of dishes in post-hole 9606 and layer 9648 is consistent with a mid 2nd to mid 3rd century AD date.

Well 9421

9421	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (GRF) B2 (GRS), bowl C23 (GRF), mortaria D1 (COLBM) D3 (COLBM), D4 (COLBM) D11 (COLBM), jar G9 (GRS), beaker H22.1 (COLC), fabric NVC
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The condition of the pottery was generally poor, and few closely dated forms were identified. However, the presence of mortaria, supported by a Colchester colour-coated beaker, suggests that principal filling occurred during the second half of the 2nd century AD. Nene Valley colour-coated ware sherds recovered from upper fills suggests that deposition continued into the 3rd century.

Gravel surfaces (9523, 9524, 9525, 9560, 9561, 9563, 9570, 9571, 9602, 9603, 9626, 9644, 9645, 9661, 9676, 9699, 9706, 9708, 9738, 9739, 9752, 9808, 9918)

9525	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (GRS) B2/B4 (GRS)
9563	Pottery jar G24.2 (RET)
9602	Pottery mortarium D1 (COLBM)
9644	Samian f37 f46 Other pottery dishes B3 (BSW) B2/B4 (BSW), beaker H35 (GRS)
9645	Coin Radiate (SF4921) 3rd/4th century
9661	Pottery dish B2/B4 (GRS)
9752	Samian Other pottery fabrics GRS BSW NKG

Generally, small quantities of pottery were recovered from these deposits. Layer 9644 produced a folded beaker, which dates to the first half of the 3rd century AD. This is the latest pottery; the remainder carries a broader date range, dating from the mid 2nd century. There was some residual pottery, notably Dressel 1 and *Salazon* amphora sherds from 9525 and 9644 respectively. A Hod Hill type brooch from 9708 is also residual.

Pits (9044, 9774)

9044	Pottery beaker H1 (BSW), flagon J3.2 (COLB)
9774	Pottery jar G19 (BSW), fabric COLC

While the sherd of Colchester colour-coated ware within 9774 is the latest piece, probably dating to the first half of the 2nd century AD, the remaining pottery does not continue beyond the early 2nd century AD, and could well be confined to the late 1st century AD. A late 1st to early 2nd century AD infilling date is suggested.

Period IIIc**Ditch 25021** (9067, 9204, 9251, 9325, 9367, 9405, 9476, 9520, 9529)

9067	Samian Other pottery dish B7 (BSW), beaker H2 (GRF)
9204	Samian Other pottery cup F [cf. Young 1977, type C112-117] (OXRC), beaker H34/H35 (BSW), fabrics LESTA COLC
9251	Samian Other pottery dishes B3 (BSW) B7 (BSW) mortarium D11 (EAM), jar G29.1 (BSW), beaker H (CGRHN)
9325	Pottery dishes B1 (GRS) B2/B4 (BB2) B6 (GRS), bowl-jar E1.1 (BSW) jar G23 (GRS), beaker H6 (GRF), fabrics OXRC LSH NKG NVC
9367	Pottery fabrics GRS BSW
9405	Samian Other pottery jar G9.1 (BSW), fabric COLC
9476	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B2/B4 (BSW)
9520	Samian Other pottery dishes B2 (GRS) B6 (GRS RET), jar G27 (LSH), fabrics COLC NVC

The pottery from segments 9067, 9251 and 9405 is predominantly 2nd century in date. Contemporaneous pottery was also recovered from segments 9204, 9325 and 9520, but in addition to late 4th century wares, principally Oxford colour-

coated and late shell-tempered wares. However, this material was collected from the upper or top fills, suggesting that, while much of the ditch was in-filled during the 2nd century, final episodes occurred during the later 4th century.

Ditch 25027 (9303, 9434, 9772)

9303	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B3 (BSW) B4 (GRS) B5.1 (BB1), jar G5.4 (GRS), beaker H34/H35 (COLC), fabrics NVC EGRHN
9434	Other pottery dishes B1.2 (BSW) B4 (BSW), jar G5.6 (GRS), beakers H20 (COLC) H (EGRHN), flagon J3 (COLB)
9772	Samian Other pottery mortarium D11 (COLBM), beaker H [cf. Symonds 1992, Gp34] (EGRHN), fabrics COLC NVC

The presence of Colchester colour-coated ware in all three segments in association with B2/B4 dishes suggests that the ditch fell out of use by the end of the 2nd century AD. Filling is likely to have continued into the 3rd century, as evidenced by the presence of Nene Valley and East Gaulish Rhenish ware products. A single sherd of late shell-tempered ware in 9772 and dated to the late 4th century is probably intrusive.

Parallel slots 25000 (9070, 9078) 25023, (9076, 9090), [9086/9102/9105], [9138, 9132]

9070	Samian Other pottery dish B2/B4 (BSW), jars G17 (BSW) G19 (GRS NKG) G23 (GRS BSW) G24 (GRS)
9076	Samian
9090	Pottery bowl C [cf. Monaghan 1987, type 7A2] (NKG)
9086	Pottery fabrics NKG BSW
9102	Pottery dish B4 (BSW), jar G23 (BSW GRF), flagon J3 (COLB)
9105	Pottery fabrics GROG BSW
9138	Pottery dish B2/B4 (GRS) B7 (BSW), jar G19 (GRS)
9132	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS

Segments 9090, 9070 and 9102 produced large amounts of pottery dating to the early 2nd century. The remaining pottery is consistent with this date.

Slot 25025 (9107, 9134, 9155)

9107	Pottery jar G19/G20 (GRS)
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A small amount of pottery was recovered from segment 9107 only and comprised largely undiagnostic and abraded sherds. However, it is consistent with an early to mid 2nd century AD date range.

Pit 9366

9366	Samian Other pottery dish B4 (BB2), jar G5 (GRS), fabric NKG
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Most of the pottery was recovered from the top fill and is consistent with a 2nd century date.

Cremations [9329, 9665, 9927, 9928]

9329	Pottery fabrics BSW GRS GROG
9665	Pottery beaker H1 (BSW), fabrics BSW NKG GRS
9927	Pottery fabric GRS
9928	Pottery beaker H (BSW), fabric GRS

Much of the pottery recovered from these features was fragmentary and consequently cannot be closely dated. Some of it, including 1st century grog-tempered ware and an H1 beaker, is probably residual.

Pits [9007, 9170, 9014, 9015, 9029, 9165, 9189, 9270, 9275, 9358, 9391, 9594, 9630, 9633, 9635, 9663, 9750]

9007	Samian f31 Other pottery dishes B1 (GRS) B3 (GRS) B2/B4 (BSW), mortarium D1 (BUFM), fabrics COLC EGRHN
9014*	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (GRS) B2/B4 (GRS), jar G5.5 (GRS), beaker H20 (COLC), fabric NVC
9015*	Samian f18/31 Other pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B2/B4 (GRS), jars G5.5 (GRS) G36 (GRS) G29.1 (BSW)
9029	Samian Other pottery dishes B3 (GRS) B4.2 (BB2), mortarium D1.2 (GRSWSM), jars G5.5 (GRS) G19 (GRS BSW) G20 (GRS) G22 (GRS) G23 (GRS) G29.1 (BSW), beakers H5 (NKG) H7 (GRS) H20 (COLC)
9165	Pottery jar G5.4 (GRS)
9270	Pottery dish B2/B4 (BSW), jars G5.4 (GRS) G23.3 (STOR)
9358	Samian Other pottery jars G5.4 (BSW) G19/G20 (GRS), fabric NKG
9391	Samian Other pottery jar G3 (GRS)
9594	Samian Other pottery platter A2 (BSW)
9750	Samian Other pottery dishes B2/B4 (GRS) B3 (GRS), bowl C16 (GRS), mortarium D1 (BUFM), beaker H20 (COLC)

Pottery was recovered from the majority of pits, often in large quantities. Generally, it is consistently 2nd century AD in date. Pits 9007 and 9014 were perhaps among the latest to be filled. The presence of East Gaulish Rhenish ware and

Nene Valley colour-coated ware suggests that the features continued to accumulate material until the early 3rd century. Some pits contained residual pottery, such as 9750. The pottery from 9594 and 9391 might also be wholly residual

Hearths [9369, 9404, 9506, 9573]

This group contained residual Late Iron Age pottery, including Dressel 1 amphora sherds in 9404. In addition, a single abraded sherd of late 4th century Oxford colour-coat ware, also from 9404, is almost certainly intrusive.

Period IV

Gully 25032 (9566, 9576, 9597, 9767)

9767	Samian Other pottery mortarium D1 (VRWM), fabric COLC
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This feature contained small amounts of pottery of mixed date. Segment 9593 yielded residual pottery dating to the mid to late 1st century AD. The pottery recovered from segment 9767 dates to the 2nd century AD.

?Recut 25033 (9564, 9591, 9598)

9598	Pottery dishes B1 (BSW GRS) B2/B4 (GRF BSW) B3 (BSW GRF), mortarium D11 (BUFM), jar G5.5 (GRS), beaker H (NVC COLC CGRHN)
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Segment 9598 produced pottery of mixed date, including a small proportion of residual Late Iron Age grog and shell tempered fabrics. The remainder can be dated to the late 2nd or early 3rd century AD.

Pits [9038, 9100, 9201, 9243, 9363, 9384, 9464, 9974]

9038	Samian f37 f18/31 f31 f33 Other pottery dishes B1 (GRS) B2 (GRF), mortarium D2 (BUFM), jar G5.4 (BSW), fabric HAX Coin As Antoninus Pius (SF1539) 154-155
9201	Samian Other pottery dish B3.2 (GRS), jars G5.4 (BSW) G5.5 (GRS) G5.6 (GRS) G24.1 (BSW), fabric COLC
9243	Samian Other pottery jar G5.4 (BSW) G24 (GRS) beaker H21 (COLC)
9363	Samian Other pottery mortarium D1 (COLBM), jar G9 (GRS)
9464	Samian Other pottery dishes B1 (BSW) B2/B4 (BSW) B3 (GRF), fabric HAX NVC

The pottery evidence provides a mid 2nd to early 3rd century date range for most episodes of filling. This is supported by the presence of a coin in 9038. There is some residual pottery, notably Dressel 1 amphora sherds, which date to the late 1st century BC.

Period V

Ditch 25031 (9381, 9812)

9381	Pottery dish B5.3 (LSH), bowl C (OXRC), mortarium D7 [cf. Young 1977, type WC7] (OXSWM)
9812	Samian Other pottery beaker H35 (RED), fabrics COLC NVC

Ditch segment 9381 yielded late 4th century forms and fabrics. Segment 9812 contained earlier pottery, dating to the first half of the mid 3rd century AD, although this might be residual.

Pit 9651

9651	Samian Other pottery bowl C8 (RED), bowl-jar E5 (GRS), beaker H39 (GRS)
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The pottery recovered from this feature is likely to date to the first half of the 4th century. The pit contained B3 and B2/B4 dishes, which are probably residual by this time; the Dressel 1 amphora and handmade grog-tempered ware also present certainly are.