



# Who were the first people to live in Derby?

## Excavation Finds at Little Chester

Material	Category	Count
Ceramic	vessel	1
Bone	animal	6
Ceramic	vessel	18
Ceramic	building material	2
Ind debris		1
Bone	animal	1
Ceramic	kiln furniture	2
Ceramic	vessel	1
Ind debris		1
Ceramic	vessel	1
Ceramic	vessel	1
Ceramic	vessel	34
Ceramic	building material	1
Ceramic	building material	5
Bone	animal	1
Bone	animal	5
Ceramic	vessel	3
Ceramic	vessel	1
Ceramic	vessel	6
Bone	animal	2
Ceramic	kiln furniture	1
Ceramic	vessel	1
Ceramic	vessel	1
Bone	animal	3
Ceramic	vessel	1
Ceramic	vessel	9
Bone	animal	3
Ceramic	building material	5
Ceramic	vessel	14
Ceramic	vessel	37
Ceramic	vessel	8
Ceramic	vessel	4
Bone	animal	3
Ceramic	vessel	10
Bone	animal	2
Ceramic	vessel	10
Ceramic	building material	1
Bone	animal	5
Bone	animal	8
Ceramic	vessel	21
Ceramic	vessel	6
Bone	animal	1
Ceramic	vessel	5

Material	Category	Count
Shell	marine	1
Ceramic	vessel	2
Ceramic	building material	2
Ceramic	vessel	1
Bone	animal	7
Bone	animal	4
Ceramic	vessel	4
Bone	animal	10
Ceramic	vessel	3
Ceramic	kiln furniture	1
Ceramic	building material	1
Ceramic	vessel	1
Ceramic	vessel	2
Bone	animal	1
Ceramic	building material	5
Bone	animal	5
Ceramic	vessel	7
Ceramic	vessel	20
Bone	animal	41
Bone	animal	30
Bone	animal	4
Ceramic	vessel	6
Ceramic	vessel	1
Ceramic	tobacco pipe	1
Bone	animal	1
Ceramic	vessel	1

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Read through the report of Roman discoveries at Little Chester. Answer the questions below.



What was the most common material found?

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What do you think 'ceramic vessels' are?

Ceramic vessels are most likely pots, bowls, vases or jugs that were created to hold liquids or food.

What does the high number of ceramic vessels tell us about the settlement?

The high number of vessels discovered might suggest that the area had a pottery kiln or craftworkers. The settlement might have had quite a large population of people using the vessels to store food and drink.

Why do you think animal bones help us understand more about a time period or group of people?

Animal bones might tell us more about a time period or group of people because - (any can be mentioned)

It can tell us more about their diet.

It can tell us about farming.

It can tell us what existed in the area at the time.

It can tell us about their wealth.



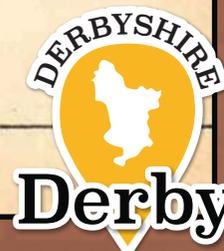


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