

Theme 3

Kilns, Workshops and Productions

LRA 3 AMPHORAE PRODUCTION IN THE ISLAND OF COS (GREECE)

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A kiln-site manufacturing amphorae and building materials at Kostaina, in Cos island, Greece, was excavated by the Archaeological Service of Dodecanese in 2004- 2006. The workshop is located far from the urban centers, near the sea and has a long period of use, from the Hellenistic to the Early Byzantine period.

This presentation aims to analyse in detail the various forms and variants of the LRA3 amphorae produced at the workshop. The Coan LRA3 amphorae are imitations of Ephesian amphorae (Pieri type LRA3 B2 and B4), dated from the middle of the 6th to the first half of the 7th centuries.