

Metadata for TombSizeMaster.csv

TombSizeMaster.csv contains sizes of PreBA tombs from across the island of Cyprus. This file includes the metadata, or explanation of data in each column of the spreadsheet. The TombSizeMaster.csv file includes area calculations (square meters) for the total area of rock that was cut to construct a tomb. Volume measurements could not be used as height of tomb chambers and entranceways were not always included in publications. These measurements are included in the spreadsheet when they were available, but not included in the total square meters calculation (column labelled: TotalMetersSquare).

Some tombs have multiple chambers. The shape, period, length, width, height and area are recorded separately for each chamber (e.g., ChamberLength1, ChamberLength2, etc.). Only the metadata is given for Chamber1 as it applies to all the information for all Chambers labelled 1-4 in the column headings.

SiteName: Name of cemetery or site where tomb is located.

Region: Cyprus was divided into three regions for this research: North Coast (North), Central Plain (Central), and South Coast (South). All tombs are labelled with one of the three region names indicated in parenthesis.

Period: The dating scheme used in this research splits the PreBA into the Philia Phase (2400-2250 cal BC), PreBA 1 (2250-2000 cal BC) and PreBA 2 (2000-1700 cal BC), labelled as Philia, PreBA 1 and PreBA 2 respectively in the spreadsheet.

TombID: The tomb numbers assigned by original excavators of the site are replicated here as identifiers.

BronzePeriod: The more traditional dating scheme used on Cyprus is included for some tombs in this column. The periods include the Early Bronze Age or ECI-III, and Middle Bronze Age or MCI-II.

DromosShape: The shape of the dromos or entranceway is recorded here for tombs that have a dromos. For those that do not, this column is left blank

DromosLength: Length of dromos in meters.

DromosWidth: Width of dromos in meters

DromosHeight: Height of dromos in meters if it was recorded by the excavators. This measurement is not included in **DromosSquareMeters** or **TotalSquareMeters** columns.

DromosSquareMeters: This is the total area of the dromos recorded in square meters obtained by multiplying the **DromosLength** and **DromosWidth**.

ChamberPeriod1: Some chambers were added after the initial construction of the tomb. If this is known, the period based on the chronological system used for **BronzePeriod** is included here.

ChamberShape1: Shape of chamber, usually oval, circular or irregular. If the grave is a pit grave and not a chamber tomb, pit is indicated here.

ChamberLength1: Length of chamber in meters.

ChamberWidth1: Width of chamber in meters.

ChamberHeight1: Height of chamber in meters if it was recorded by excavators. This measurement is not included in **ChamberSquareMeters** or **TotalSquareMeters**.

ChamberSquareMeters1: This is the total area of the chamber recorded in square meters obtained by multiplying the **ChamberLength** and **DromosWidth**.

NicheShape1: Shape of niche which are sometimes described as cupboards or recesses.

NicheLength1: Length of niche in meters.

Notes: Relevant additional information about tombs.

TotalMetersSquare: DromosSquareMeters+ChamberSquareMeters1-4+NicheLength1= the total square meters of carved rock-space for each tomb, reported in meters.