

## Entering through a breach in the wall

You are entering the Palace by stepping over the stone foundations of the ancient wall – because we have not yet found the ancient entrance to the Palace

At this point, the bricks were all lost to water erosion, of which you see clear evidence to your right.

To your left you can see the stone foundations that still define very neatly the outline of the ancient walls.

This portion of the Palace was very near the surface of the tell, and some stones were still visible in modern times. They were removed long before our excavations to serve the building needs of Mozan village. But the removal was not systematic, so that we can still trace with confidence each portion of the ancient building.

You can easily see the distinction. *Reconstructed walls* are totally exposed (and identified by a hatching on the top). *Perimetral walls* with only the foundations are protected by a shelter without side panels. *Partition walls* without mudbricks are left exposed and are outlined in white. All *mudbrick walls* are protected by a shelter with side panels.