

Bronze Age Greece: The Mycenaean Vases in the Diniacopoulos Collection

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Vincent and Olga Diniacopoulos do not seem to have been attracted to prehistoric artifacts. There are, however, four Mycenaean vessels, all stirrup jars that can be considered as a group. These vessels are fairly small and would have been used for the olive oil, possibly perfumed, that was a specialty item in the Late Bronze Age; these were traded widely around the Mycenaean world. Several production centers have been identified and it may be possible to pinpoint the origins of the Diniacopoulos stirrup jars through their decoration and/or clay.

