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Abstract:

This ceramological research is devoted to a very rare type of marble-like decorated glazed pottery – “*Polychrome Marble Ware*” - that was discovered during archaeological excavations between 1961 and 2015 in the Ottoman fortress of Azak in the North-East Azov region, Southern Russia. It was a first-ever possibility to identify and study fragments of this tableware, which are stored in the stock collections of Azov History, Archaeology and Paleontology Museum-Reserve.

The authors of this ceramological research set themselves the following tasks: to study the history of the origin of the Ottoman “*Polychrome Marble Ware*”, to determine the centers of its production and the time of its existence, as well as to define and classify the types and forms of these potteries, which were encountered during excavations in the Turkish fortress of Azak, to find analogies in other archaeological sites of the Ottoman time. The research results are reflected in four chapters of this article.

In our opinion, most of the “*Polychrome Marble Ware*” was brought to the Turkish fortress Azak from Anatolia, where it was produced in the 17th-18th centuries. Among this pottery, obviously, there are also pottery from the coast of Marmara Sea and the South-East Crimea. Crimean potters, apparently, imitated Italian and Malaysian tableware with marble decor that was then fashionable.