SCHEMATIC HUMAN FIGURE MADE OF PEBBLES FROM EYNAN
NATUFIAN CULTURE

Early Neolithic Period (12,500-9500 BCE)

The Natufian people used natural materials which were on hand to create. This arrangement of pebbles is thought to represent the human figure.

HUMAN FACE CARVED ONTO A STONE FROM NAHAL EIN GEV II, EAST OF SEA OF GALILEE

NATUFIAN CULTURE

Neolithic Period

(10,500-9500 BCE)

This human face carving provides a glimpse into Natufian conventions of human representation, offering a deeper understanding of the Natufian symbolic system.

GEOMETRIC ART PIECE FROM THE NATUFIAN SETTLEMENT OF WADI HAMMEH IN JORDEN

NATUFIAN CULTURE

Neolithic Period

(12,000-12,500 BCE)

The origins of geometric natural forms were probably noticed in nature & interpreted by prehistoric artisans. An extensive array of potential sources would have been available: lightning strikes, crystals, jointed rock formations, water ripples, ferns & leaves, honeycomb, fossils, invertebrates, patterning in animal skins, imprints of animal hooves & imprints of human anatomy in soft ground.

SCHEMATIC HUMAN HEAD

NATUFIAN CULTURE

Neolithic Period

(8000 BCE)

A handcut stone showing artistic representation of a human face with a pattern which can be interpreted as both a conceptualized face and a complete body.