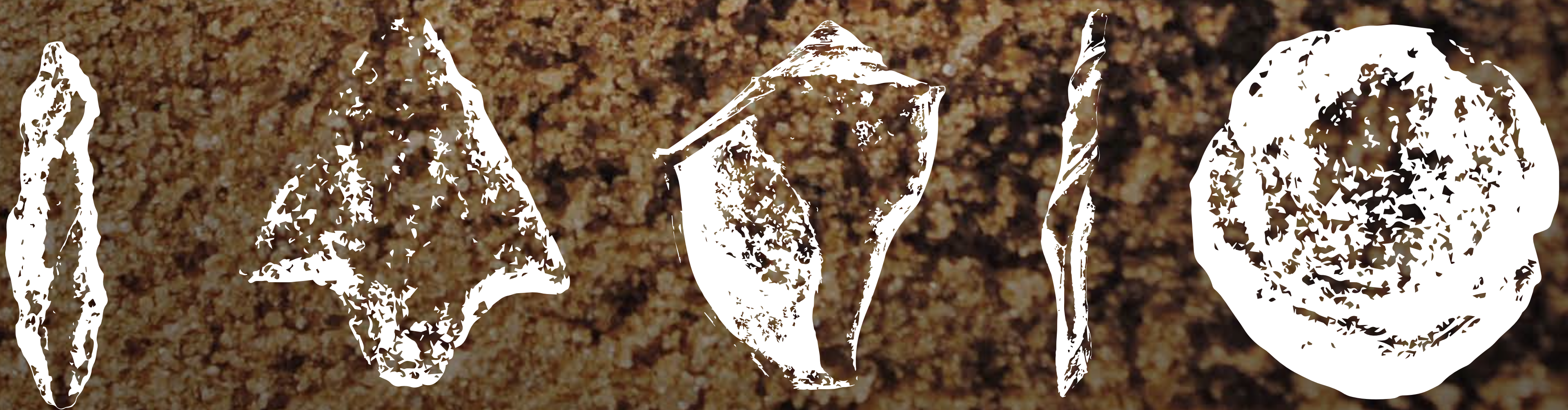


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The site was occupied primarily during the Elliott's Point phase of the late Archaic Period, 2528-1985 B.C. They occupied the site during the spring-fall months, living in small structures arranged in a semi-circle around an open plaza. Oysters, scallops, quahog clams, and fish, were obtained from Choctawhatchee Bay, and deer, rabbit, squirrel, raccoon, turkey, alligator, and turtles were hunted in the nearby forest. People also ate hickory nuts, acorns, hackberry, coontie, and may have grown bottle gourds in small gardens.