

## Re: Hobbits and shellfish – a note.

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Mario Petrinovic wrote:

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>> Thanks, Kat.

>> I don't know on what thread is your notice.

>> But, I presume that freshwater molluscs were eaten salty. For this

>> you need to have the salt industry and trade, I presume.

> Mario, there is no basis for either of these presumptions. There is no

> reason whatsoever to suppose that early humans would turn their noses

> up at freshwater molluscs, any more than modern humans would.

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> You didn't understand what I was talking about at all.

> What would be your "reasons". The evidence?

> Well, just the other day I heard one interesting comment on a local

> tv. Guy said, when there is no information (data), then logic works.

> Paleoanthropology is a scientific discipline

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which lacks sound data a

> lot.

> Then, why paleoanthropologists don't use logic? I am scared to think

> about the reasons. --- Mario Petrinovic

What has logic got to do with it? What, apart from the idiosyncratic workings of your mind, would lead you to believe that someone would not eat freshwater molluscs without salt?

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Please. For the start, YOU wouldn't eat ANYTHING without salt. Just try it. Make some food at home, but without salt. You CAN eat salt by itself (i.e. not in food, but pure salt) before and/or after your m