

## **BEFORE WALLIN - NORTHWEST ARABIA IN ANTIQUITY**

### **PowerPoint presentation for the G. A. Wallin Seminar by**

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1. Map NW Arabia, showing presented site: Tayma, al-'Ula and Mada'in Salih (Copyright: Mission archéologique de Mada'in Salih)
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- 17-20. Tayma - an important ancient trade center visited by Wallin. Photos show remains of the city wall and royal residence built by Nabonidus, the king of the Neo-Babylonia dynasty (6th century B.C.), who resided in Tayma (by Zbigniew T. Fiema)

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22. Map of the extent of the Nabataean kingdom. The Nabataeans were the major participants in the incense trade (Copyright: Mission archéologique de Mada'in Salih)

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28-30. Finds recovered during the excavations at Mada'in Salih by the French-Saudi Mission: ceramics, coins, glass (Copyright: Mission archéologique de Mada'in Salih)

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