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Description from the Publisher:

For the past four years, a University of Florida field team has conducted archeological excavations at Kingsley Plantation, located in the NPS Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve in Duval County, Florida. Kingsley Plantation was active in the early 19th century. The excavations have focused primarily on the slave quarters from the period in an attempt to reconstruct the daily lives of their inhabitants. The report describes the ceramics assemblage recovered from the Kingsley Plantation Slave Quarters and compares it to the archetypal antebellum plantation of Cannon's Point Plantation, GA. The basic analysis of the ceramic artifacts is a fundamental first step in the broader goal of interpreting the role of material objects in the slaves' daily lives. [Read the full report online.]