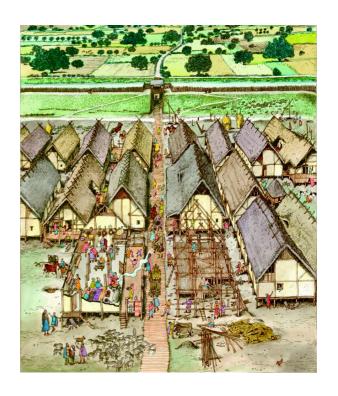
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Farmers, craftsmen and warriors in the Po Valley during the Middle and Late Bronze Age (17th – 12th century BC)

The Terramare culture is the most important phenomenon of the Middle and Recent Bronze Age in Central and Northern Italy in demographic, economic, social and political terms. Terramare is a dialect name. The name was adopted by archaeologists, and remained to indicate this type of settlement. The Terramare culture spread over a wide area of the central Po plain, of about 6000 sq. km. In this territory hundreds of settlements were established, many of which had a centuries-long life. Chronologically the Terramare culture is between the mid-seventeenth century BC and the mid-twelfth century. B. C.: a cycle of about half a millennium! In this long period we can recognize four major phases that we have named: 1) Colonization; 2) Consolidation; 3) Apogee, 4) Crisis and collapse. The numerous evidences from settlements, necropolis and ritual depositions show the existence of an elite made up of warriors with swords and their wives, but the social differences were determined more on the basis of rank than on a real concentration of economic goods.

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