

ITALY

General

i - Mysterious Deposits of Split, Uniform-Sized Cow Bones with Unknown Function, Found in Roman Cities Across Europe

ii – 25 things the ancient Romans got surprisingly right

From sewers to surgery, ancient Rome solved problems that still define how we live, build, govern, and eat today

Rome and environs

i - Archaeologists Find 1,500-Year-Old Roman Statue Head in Rubble

Located near the Tombe di Via Latina, the carved stone was likely treated as construction material at the time of the building of the church.

ii – Apollosa, un monumento funerario con scene di gladiatori ritrovato lungo la via Appia / Apollosa, a funerary monument with gladiator scenes found along the Appian way

iii - Let's not get any fancy ideas about the Basilica of Vitruvius

iv – Capitoline Museum – When Rome met Greece

a – When Rome met Greece: what the Capitoline Museums exhibition looks like.

b – At the Colosseum Archaeological Park an exhibition dedicated to Troy and Rome, with more than 300 artifacts

v – The Catacombs of Priscilla. One of the earliest depictions of a Christian ceremony – with a woman at the center!

vi - They Drove Nails Into the Dead — And It Wasn't Random: The Dark Roman Ritual Behind It

vii - Colosseum in Rome shines with new travertine marble restoration

viii - The Neptune of Lyon arrives in Rome: at the Barracco Museum one of the great bronzes from Roman Gaul

ix – Five restored Etruscan vases on display at Florence's Opificio delle Pietre Dure

x – Monumental Roman Tomb with Gladiator Scenes Discovered Along Ancient Via Appia

xi – ARA PACIS - L'Ara si rivela. An immersive experience that combines technology, sound, and storytelling in a thrilling and engaging visit. An innovative multimedia project inviting you to explore this iconic monument – commissioned by the Roman Senate to honour Octavian Augustus – through an extraordinary and exciting visual journey.

27 March 2026 to 31 December 2026

WHERE: <https://www.turismoroma.it/en/places/ara-pacis-museum>

Website: <http://www.arapacis.it/mostra-evento/l-ara-si-rivela>

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xii - Ostia. Roman Ruler in Bone!

xiii – "Metro C isn't a subway; it's an archaeological dig with trains."

xiv – **NECROPOLI OSTIENSE (SEPOLCRETO OSTIENSE)**

a - Researchers have uncovered a previously unknown cluster of Roman tombs beneath a modern street in southern Rome, complete with preserved painted decoration and symbolic figures.

b - **NECROPOLI OSTIENSE (SEPOLCRETO OSTIENSE)**

Admission to the monument is allowed to groups and associations, with their own guide, who must make a reservation at 060608 (daily, 9.00 - 19.00). Maximum 25 people per visit.

xv – STARTT opens up rarely-seen ruins behind Pantheon in Rome Named Beyond the

Pantheon, the project provides a publicly accessible link between the ancient Roman temple and the ruins of the Basilica of Neptune, an ancient public hall located directly behind the architectural icon's central rotunda.

xvi - [Bottarone Urn restored: original colors of 2400-year-old Etruscan grooms resurfaced](#)

xvii – [Ancient Roman 1,000-Liter Vessels Found in Ostia Contained Fish Sauce and Were Repaired with Lead, Silver, and Tin](#) A study reveals that the enormous "dolia" of Rome's port city stored degraded proteins and were coated with pine resin, while their metal reinforcements incorporated precious metals.

xviii – A major [exhibition](#) titled "[Troy and Rome: Myths, Legends, Stories of Ancient Mediterranean](#)" will open to visitors on June 11 at the Colosseum Archaeological Park. A total of 221 [artefacts](#) from 19 museums in Türkiye, along with a replica of the Trojan Horse, [will be showcased on the global stage](#).

xix - [Tivoli: New excavations reveal an inscription identifying a basilica cited by Suetonius](#)

xx - Nerly in Bremen: the restoration that revealed the Aqua Claudia [The exhibition "Nature and Antiquity: the Romantic Friedrich Nerly in Rome"](#) at Kunsthalle Bremen explores the Roman landscape through drawings, watercolours, sketches and oil paintings by the 19th-century artist. A focal point is an 1836 canvas showing the Roman countryside with the Aqua Claudia, recently restored and found to contain new technical and iconographic evidence.

xxi – [Isola Sacra, a man-made island with significant Roman ruins in Fiumicino](#), the coastal town 20 miles from the center of Rome that's best-known as the location of the city's international airport. Though its ancient Roman necropolis and harbor aren't household names, it's every bit as fascinating as the better-known Roman monuments in the city center [and less crowded].

xxii - [Roman domus with intact paintings and stucco work discovered in Rome](#)

Large Roman domus from the Imperial period (2nd century AD), with figurative paintings and stucco work unearthed between the Carinae and the Esquiline Hill,

xxiii - [Appian Way Archaeological Park, restoration of the Tomb of the Pancras has begun](#)

xxiv – [Seeing Greek in Etruria: The Hydriae of Cerveteri at Museo Archeologico Cerveteri](#)

xxv - [Researchers from Pablo de Olavide University \(UPO\) have uncovered what may be the oldest documented structure ever identified at Hadrian's Villa](#) shedding new light on the origins of the vast imperial complex built by the Roman Emperor Hadrian.

xxvi – Illegal Excavation

a - [Rome, large imperial Roman villa discovered after report of illegal excavation](#)

b - [A clandestine excavation on the outskirts of Rome](#) has brought to light a "splendid villa" that may have belonged to a member of the Antonine imperial family, according to archaeologists with the Special Superintendency of Rome. The remains of the first-century villa, which was previously unknown to archaeologists, include frescoed walls and mosaic floors that showcase the elite social status of the owners.

xxvii – [Column of Marcus Aurelius From the Inside Out](#)

xxviii - [Appia Antica, dopo 13 anni torna a casa la statua trafugata dal parco archeologico](#)

xxix - [Mausoleum of Augustus won't be reopening until 2027](#).

xxx – [François Tomb: permanent display at Villa Giulia From 25 June 2026](#)

xxxi - [A new section of the Roman Gravisca canal resurfaces beneath the Tarquinia salt flats parking lot](#)

Naples and environs

i – Pompeii

a - [Pompeii, a new permanent path for casts of victims of the Vesuvius eruption](#)

b - [How Much Did It Cost to Paint a Pompeii Room Egyptian Blue?](#)

c - [Ancient graffiti reveals scenes of everyday life in Pompeii](#)

d – [Archeologists Uncovered Evidence of a 2,000-Year-Old Machine Gun—and the Damage It Did. Traces of the fabled “multi-thrower” have emerged from the ruins of Pompeii.](#)

e – [Ashes from Pompeii: incense burners, residue analyses and domestic cult practices](#)

f - [Researchers have scanned the interiors of massive ceramic jars sealed inside ancient Pompeii taverns for the first time without damaging them.](#)

Using advanced 3D technology, the team discovered that Roman potters built the vessels in sections with slow wheel-assisted techniques.

g – [Pompeii "scanned" entirely. The first total map of the ancient city changes everything. 70,000 analyses reveal the most fragile points of the ancient city. Can collapses be prevented now?](#)

h – [Archaeologists resurrect ancient Roman recipes for Pompeii bake sale](#)
Centuries-old bread found in town’s buried bakeries recreated and sampled by tourists at historic site’s first agricultural fair

i – [Excavations in the Porta Stabia necropolis have uncovered the remains of two victims of the 79 A.D. eruption. One of them, an adult, died under the rain of lapilli while covering his head with a terracotta container.](#)

j – [Emily Lime Wins AIA Award for Presentation on Artificial Lighting Systems in Pompeii](#)

k – [Artificial Lighting Systems in Pompeian Gardens and Baths with Emily Lime – Peopling the Past](#)

l - [Selection of Modern-Day Photographs Highlight Why, Centuries Later, Pompeii Still Attracts Throng of Tourists and Archaeologists](#)

m – [Scoperta | Pompei, il medico che cercò di fuggire con i suoi strumenti chirurgici: dall’Orto dei Fuggiaschi riaffiora la storia commovente di una vittima del Vesuvio](#) Discovery | Pompeii, the doctor who tried to escape with his surgical instruments: from the Garden of the Fuggiaschi the moving story of a victim of Vesuvius resurfaces & [Un medico nell’Orto dei Fuggiaschi a Pompei. Esami radiografici e ricostruzione archeologica](#) A DOCTOR IN THE GARDEN OF THE FUGIES IN POMPEII. RADIOGRAPHIC EXAMINATIONS AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RECONSTRUCTION

n – [Ashes from Pompeii: incense burners, residue analyses and domestic cult practices](#)

o – [Picturing Pompeii](#) A 19th-century photograph sheds light on a forgotten part of Pompeii

p – [Records of Pompeii’s survivors have been found – and archaeologists are starting to understand how they rebuilt their lives](#)

q - [The NEW official guide to the Archaeological Park of Pompeii](#)

r – [Pompeii excavations reveal equid skeleton at House of the Chaste Lovers](#)

s – [What Pompeii taught me about the sisterhood and the power of patience](#)

t – [Pompeii’s Most Famous House, the Villa of Mysteries, is at Risk of Collapse](#)

u - [An ancient stone staircase seemed to lead nowhere. It’s revealing the ‘lost Pompeii’](#)

v – [Greek Goddess Athena’s Bird of Wisdom Makes Pompeii Its Home After 2,000 Years](#)

w – [Pompeii launches augmented reality. Thanks to an app called Portyl, it is now possible to explore the city as it was in 79 AD, experiencing a journey that combines scientific rigor,](#)

technological innovation, and immersive enjoyment. The House of the Citharist, one of the largest houses in Pompeii and the first to be involved in this digital project, opens to the public on June 24, 2026

x – Discovery in Pompeii | The Citharist Apollo could be the faithful copy of a Greek masterpiece attributed to Myron. It is the only known bronze example

ii - Ipogeo dei Cristallini

a - Ipogeo dei Cristallini, the underground Greek hypogeum, in Naples

b - [WebSite](#)

iii – Roman villa of Publius Cornelius Dolabella resurfaces in Bacoli: first site on property confiscated from the Camorra

iv – [MANN Numismatics section reopens with more than 6,000 coins and new exhibits](#)

v – Herculaneum

a -Villa Sora: scoperto affresco con raro ittio centauro alato

b - Fecunditas, Castitas, Gravitas: The Herculaneum Woman as a Visual Formula for Roman Female Virtue (2nd Century CE)

vi – Torre del Greco, major discoveries at Villa Sora: frescoes, capitals, and more come to light

Elsewhere

i - The discovery of a series of war trophies, specifically rare Greek helmets unearthed at the Acropolis of Velia, is fundamentally rewriting the history of Magna Graecia

ii – Ancient Italian necropolis reveals children buried with warrior belts Unusual burials of children with bronze warrior belts have been discovered in a necropolis near the town of Pontecagnano Faiano, outside Salerno in southwestern Italy.

iii – Zoomorphic andirons and miniature votive stipes buried as offerings by the Veneti of ancient Patavium discovered in Padua

iv - Ancient Herakleia theater discovered in Policoro

v – Hellenistic Etruria: how the Greeks influenced Etruscan art, religion and society

vi - Surveying Falerii Novi: Rethinking the development of a Roman town

Surveying an ancient town in Italy has presented fresh insights into a key moment for Roman urbanism.

vii - Imperial domus discovered in Sepino archaeological park

viii - A Mediterranean Valley redux Saepinum and Boiano

ix – Roman funerary inscription emerges from mud in Livorno Countryside

x - The Bothros of Aeolus, a ritual pit on the island of Lipari that reveals the secrets of the cult that united Greeks and indigenous people in Sicily

xi – Archaeologists Found 2,300-Year-Old Graves Holding Mysterious Bronze Treasures

Bronze belts traditionally associated with adult male burials and signifying warrior status were found buried with two children.

xii - In Tavolara, on the trail of the Proto-Etruscans: an international archaeological project begins. The aim is to document the island's strategic role in controlling the maritime routes between Gallura, Corsica and the Tyrrhenian area.

xiii – Anonymous sites of ancient Italy – Katherine McDonald

Pietrabbondante, Rossano di Vaglio, Campo della Fiera, Grotta Poesia – all are known by Italian names because their ancient names are not known. The inscriptions found at the site do not name the site itself or the community which had responsibility for the sanctuary, and

there is no clear match in ancient literature.

ix – [Olbia, Punic walls collapse again. Safety measures required immediately](#)

x – [Phoenician Scarab Found in Sardinia](#) New excavations reveal the island played a much more extensive role in Phoenician trade than initially thought.

xi - [The treasure in the mud: the bronzes of San Casciano, history of discovery](#)

xii – [The travertine quarries that built ancient Rome are carving rock for a new generation of temples](#)

xiii - [Thieves, soda cans and an ancient vessel: Carlos exhibit pieces together a provenance puzzle](#)

The modern-day mystery begins in 2022, at Timpone della Motta, an archaeological site overlooking Francavilla Marittima, a coastal town located just above the heel of Italy's boot. In ancient times, a religious temple built by Greek colonists occupied the spot.

xiv - [The first extended exploration of the monumental Forum of ancient Altino, Veneto,](#) reveals tabernae, a stretch of urban road, portions of the basilica and even the structures of the largest of the two city theatres

xv – Lake Nemi

i - [More Nemi Artifact Images](#)

ii - [Notes on Il Santuario di Diana, Nemi](#)

xvi - [SUB CUR Lead Token from Frascati](#)

Frascati looks so much like the modern construction over the sanctuary at Praeneste there has to be a story there

xvii – [A 2,750-year-old tomb reveals that communities in the interior of the Italian Peninsula maintained much more intense mobility and cultural exchange than previously believed, thanks to the analysis of a silver wire and the remains of a gourd that contained a medicinal drink.](#)

xviii - [Roman Quarry Discovery in Italy Reveals Source of Advanced Ancient Mortar](#) An ancient Roman quarry in Italy supplied a specialized volcanic material that helped builders make durable, high-performance mortar for a major bath and theater complex.

xix – [This Inhabited Museum in Matera Lets You Live in the Ancient World x Matera's inhabited museum removes the boundary between past and present. Can history truly be lived instead of just observed?](#)

xx – [Archaeologists Unearth Stone Altar Inside Ancient Greek Home in Sicily](#) Archaeologists working at Finziade, have unearthed a stone altar inside a residential structure on the hill of Monte Sant'Angelo in Licata.

xxi - [An Archaeological Study Changes the View on the Etruscan City of Veii: It Was Not a Failure in Roman Times, but an Example of Community Resilience](#)

xxii – [Akragas reveals its secrets: the new excavations among the houses of the Valley of the Temples are underway](#) An investment of 350 thousand euros to rediscover daily life before the Carthaginian siege. The construction site will be visitable by tourists along the Via Sacra

xxiii - [The Body That Remains: exhibition at the National Archaeological Museum of Civitavecchia](#) Period: 29 May – 29 November 2026

The National Archaeological Museum of Civitavecchia presents the exhibition "The Body That Remains: the prothesis in the Etruscan urn of Civitavecchia and contemporary resonances", focusing on a rare Etruscan masterpiece recently recovered and restored. The exhibition explores the funerary rite of the prothesis and its echoes in contemporary artistic practice.

xxiv - Daunian kyathos: A 2,700-year-old ceramic cup from Italy decorated with an exuberant-looking, bug-eyed fellow

xxv - 2,500-Year-Old Pre-Roman Sanctuary Buried by Ancient Flood Discovered in Veneto

xxvi - Oriculum, new finds unearth public heart of Roman city

xxvii - ANCONA. Discovered a monumental Roman wall structure in the heart of the city.

xxviii - Ancient shipwreck with 300 amphorae found off Italy could reshape views of Mediterranean wine trade

xxix - Roman Hunting Mosaic Reemerges in Marsala After More Than 50 Years Underground

xxx - Culture ministry buys the François Tomb, a masterpiece of Etruscan art Renowned frescoes among most significant examples of ancient painting

xxxi - Echoes of Magna Graecia: Persephone Festival Reclaims Taranto's Greek Soul

xxxii - Parma, restored the statue of Agrippina Major. It was found in the archaeological area of Veleia

xxxiii - New archeological discovery in Gela. 67 silver and 4 bronze C5th BC coins found inside a small jar - from ancient mints of Agrigento, Gela and Syracuse.

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xxxvi - The restored Torso of Leghorn, a large bronze from the Medici collections, returns to the Archaeological Museum of Florence

xxxvii - 2,200-Year-Old Roman Basilica Found at Tusculum Reveals Rare Painted Female Head

xxxviii - Cuma, there is an ancient temple under the vineyards. "New trials lead to the sanctuary of Hera, wife of Zeus". What are archeologists finding?

xxxix - Exhibition opens in Cerveteri: "Seeing Greek in Etruria. The Hydriae of Cerveteri"

xl - The McDonald's Built On Top Of Ancient Roman Ruins
Frattocchie's McDonald's: part restaurant, part museum

xli - A second sealed and intact Etruscan tomb discovered in San Giuliano just one year after the first find

xlili - Barbarano Romano
a - "The academic archeological park begins to be reality" jewels, furnishings and remains of the skeleton found <https://etrurianews.it/2018/06/27/barbarano-romano-il-sindaco-marchesi-il-parco-archeologico-accademico-comincia-ad-essere-realta-rinvenuti-gioielli-suppellettili-e-resti-dello-scheletro/>
b - Dalla terra di Barbarano riemerge la bellezza. Aperta tomba intatt

xliv - Nuovi reperti archeologici emergono dagli scavi di Antica Kroton

xlv - Lampedusa: Archaeological artifacts recovered from the seabed; research begins **xxxxv**
- Finziade
a - Archaeologists Discover the Last Greek Colony in Sicily Was Suddenly Abandoned, Allowing the Preservation of Its Urban Structures
b - Ancient Altars and Statue Fragments Unearthed at Sicily's Last Greek-Founded City

xlvi - Imposing Statue of Zeus to Adorn City of Crotone, Magna Graecia
Why are ancient statues almost always headless? Wars, iconoclams, earthquakes and revolutions: a major exhibition at Palazzo Strozzi reveals how fragments have become more powerful than entire works

xlvii - The clay tablets from Poggio Civitate return to Siena forty years after their first exhibition

xlvi - Italy also had its "Roman glass": where the mysterious mines of lapis specularis are located in Italy
