

ITALY

Rome and environs

i - [Experiencing Rome's Jewish quarter through both its history and its food](#)

ii - [The archaeological site on Via delle Botteghe Oscure reopens. It contains the remains of a Roman temple.](#)

iii – [EXHIBITION Rome in Coin: Art and Power in the History of the Eternal City](#)

Dates: 2 July - 27 September 2026

Venues

- VIVE - Vittoriano and Palazzo Venezia (modern and contemporary section)
- Parco Archeologico del Colosseo (medieval section)
- Museo Nazionale Romano (ancient section)

iv – Latzio

a - [Journey into the Realm of Shadows: major Etruscan funerary painting between Tarquinia and Orvieto](#)

10 July to 15 November 2026 the National Archaeological Museum of Tarquinia hosts the exhibition Journey into the Realm of Shadows, The display juxtaposes painted tomb cycles from Tarquinia and Orvieto, offering new perspectives on iconography and cultural exchanges in Etruria during the 4th century BCE.

b – [Baylor-Led Archaeological Team Discovers Second Intact Etruscan Chamber Tomb in Italy](#)

v – Villa Adriana

a - [A Latrine from Hadrian's Villa Reveals that Carbonation is the Key to the Millennial Durability of Roman Concrete.](#) A study reveals that the formation of calcite over centuries, and not just the pozzolanic reaction, is responsible for structures like the latrine at Hadrian's Villa standing almost two thousand years later.

b – [In the Amphitheatre, resurfaces a testimony of the fulgur conditum, the ancient Roman rite that consecrated the places struck by lightning](#)

vi – [A newly accessible Etruscan treasure: The François Tomb at Villa Giulia](#)

vii – [Tulane professor's discovery comes full circle as Roman artifact returns home, is prepared for Civitavecchia Museum display](#)

viii – Villa Celimontana

a - [An Imperial-Era Building with Mosaics and Frescoes Unearthed](#)

b - [Second-century building found near Colosseum may have been ancient Rome's firefighter barracks](#)

The mosaic's design closely resembles one previously discovered in a firefighters' barracks in Ostia, the ancient port of Rome, about 30 km from the capital

ix – [Low water reveals ancient bridge in Rome's Tiber River](#)

x – [In Rome, the Farnese Aviaries on the Palatine Hill will serve as the setting for a new journey through the history and imagination of antiquity with the exhibition *Sappho*, scheduled from October 16, 2026, to January 31, 2027](#)

xi – [Life Inside the Crowded Roman Insulae Apartment Blocks](#) Most Romans lived in crowded insulae apartment blocks. This meant small rooms, shared facilities, fire risks, and lower-quality housing for many.

xxii – [Submerged Etruscan Harbor off Rome May Be the Earliest Known Port Linked to a Temple](#)

xiii - [Cestia Pyramid reopens to the public after three years](#)

xiv - [Rome declares security 'red zone' around the Colosseum to protect tourists amid violent crime incidents](#)

xv - [Ancient Etruscan tombs were designed to shape how mourners saw, heard and felt](#)

xvi – [Baths of Trajan](#)

a - [Area underneath the Baths of Trajan opening soon](#)

b - [Ancient fresco and mosaic featuring maritime city unveiled in Rome](#)

Ancient Rome's biggest fresco and mosaic opens to visitors three decades after discovery

xvii – [Massive limestone blocks hint at a monumental Etruscan building at ancient port in Italy](#) Archaeologists working at Gravisca, the ancient port of Tarquinia, have uncovered massive limestone blocks buried beneath later Roman structures.

xviii – [Civitavecchia: The National Archaeological Museum Reopens—A Journey Through 3,000 Years of History](#)

Naples and Environs

[Italy's most chaotic city is finally getting the reboot it deserves](#)

i – Pompeii

a - [The Virtual Rebirth of the House of the Lyre Player](#)

b - [A violent storm hits Pompeii, and visitors use the ancient crosswalks](#)

c – [House with Bakery](#)

[Pompeii: The frescoed vaulted ceiling of the House with Bakery, dedicated to the Dionysian theme, has been restored](#)

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[POMPEII PRESENTA IL RESTAURO DEL SOFFITTO DELLA CASA CON PANIFICIO DELLA REGIO IX](#)

d – [If The Bodies Of Pompeii Are Casts, Why Do Some Have Teeth? The City Is So Well Preserved, Even "The Archaeology Has Its Own Archaeology"](#)

e – [What are giant lobsters doing in Pompeii? Ancient ruins meet pop art in Philip Colbert's biggest installation](#)

f - [A new scientific project is using chemical fingerprinting to track where Pompeii's famous pigments came from and what that reveals about Roman trade.](#)

g – [The Archaeological Park of Pompeii has revealed a new bronze reconstruction of the Canon of Polykleitos](#)

h – [Ashes From Pompeii Reveal What The Doomed City Smelled Like 2,000 Years Ago](#)

We now know that the interiors of wealthy people's homes in Pompeii smelled woody and earthy, with a hint of citrus

i – [The Villa of the Mysteries: Twenty-Nine Figures and No Caption](#)

A room outside Pompeii holds the most complete picture of a mystery rite that survives from antiquity — life-size, in brilliant red, unbroken across three walls. A century of scholars still can't agree what's happening in it.

j – [Ceramic Artifacts May Indicate That the Ancient City Was Visited During the Renaissance](#)

ii – Herculaneum

a - [After twenty years during which visitors could only glimpse the site from an elevated walkway, the Chaldici of ancient Herculaneum reopens to the public.](#)

The historic porticoed vestibule, which along the Decumanus Massimo introduced what scholars identify today as the Augusteum, is finally accessible again

b – [The House of Charred Furniture Reopens After Thirty Years](#)

c – The Suburban Baths of Herculaneum Reopen to the Public

Visits will take place every Saturday from June to December 2026, through a system of limited access that ensures an in-depth and completely safe experience. Groups, consisting of a maximum of 15 participants, will be accompanied by Park staff with the support of materials accessible via QR Code. Visitors will wear protective helmets for the duration of the approximately one-hour tour.

iii – Stabiae necropolis discovered at the pasta factory in Gragnano

During enlargement works at the Garofalo pasta factory, archaeologists uncovered 82 pre-Roman tombs containing burials of men, women and children. Excavations in an area of about 2,000 m² brought to light nearly one thousand artifacts linked to an aristocratic community of the 6th century BC.

iv – Giugliano (Naples): Restoration of the Tomb of Cerberus Begins

v – Oplontis: What Did the Victims of Vesuvius Eat in AD 79?

Elsewhere

i – Ancient Shipwreck Reveals Greek and Etruscan Connections in Tyrrhenian Sea

ii – Bronze Age Village and Roman Baths Unearthed at Case Pente

iii – ACCIONA Energía has discovered a shipwreck off the coast of Calabria, dating from between the 5th and 4th centuries BC and containing more than 300 amphorae.

iv – Archaeologists excavating a site in Sirolo, in Italy's central Le Marche region, have uncovered an exceptionally rare 6th-century BC Picene princely burial featuring a ceremonial two-wheeled chariot, alongside the remarkably well-preserved grave of a noblewoman.

v – Vicenza: The mosaic in Piazza Biade will be restored as an open-site project, with support from Rigoni di Asiago

vi – After more than 140 years, the Magliano Lead is temporarily returning to the site where it was discovered. From July 11 to October 11, 2026, the Etruscan artifact—which has been housed at the National Archaeological Museum of Florence since 1882—will be on display at the Archaeological Museum of Magliano in Toscana (Magliano in Toscana, Grosseto) as part of the exhibition *The Magliano Lead*. In the Labyrinth of the Etruscan Language,

vii – Vada Volaterrana: new archaeological excavations begin in 2026

Two luxurious circular rooms with marble flooring and wall coverings, an extensive Roman horreum (warehouse) with at least 14 rectangular rooms, and earlier Etruscan occupation.

viii – Roman Theater in Brescia: First Phase of Archaeological Excavations Completed

ix – An exceptionally well-preserved archaic necropolis containing rare organic artefacts and luxury imports from across the Mediterranean has been discovered during construction work in southern Italy, offering archaeologists an unprecedented glimpse into life in pre-Roman Campania.

x – Diet reveals what life was like 2,700 years ago in an Italian community: Gender inequality, social status and migration

xi – 2,000-year-old Bacchante statue found at Tusculum could be one of Cicero's lost sculptures

xii – Ancient Greek City in Sicily Yields Rare Mosaics and Early Christian Finds

xiii - Is Italy's famous 6th-century BCE statue known as the Warrior of Capestrano Mussolini backed forgery? Recently granted permission to test the mysterious statue, held in

Abruzzo's National Archaeology Museum in Chieti, central Italy, may have the answers,

xiv - Ancient Greek Sanctuary From Hellenistic Era Discovered Inside a Cave in Italy In 2025

xv - 3,000-Year-Old Textile Fragment Found in Italy's Submerged Gran Carro Village. Rare evidence of daily life before Etruscan cities

xvi - Tomb of the Giants Discovered Beneath the Undergrowth Near Macomer, Sardinia

xvii - Agrigento: A rare 5th-century B.C. gold coin has been unearthed at the Maddalusa necropolis

xviii - Bronze Votive Offerings to Goddess Uni Found in Ancient Etruscan Well at Kainua, Near Bologna

xix - An Ancient Greek Ceremonial Instrument at Selinunte

xx - What lies beneath one of the most important fortified settlements of Hellenistic Calabria? A study combining archaeology and geophysics has begun to answer this question.

xxi - Fishermen find ancient Roman shipwreck off coast of Sicily

xxii - Archaeologists have uncovered a rare fifth-century BC Syracusan gold coin during an emergency excavation at the Maddalusa necropolis near Agrigento, Sicily.

xxiii - Ancient drainage network found beneath Roman theater in Catania, Italy

xxiv - Archaeologists investigating a submerged prehistoric settlement in Italy have uncovered Late Bronze Age pottery, remarkably preserved ears of spelt and mysterious wooden structures, adding to a series of discoveries beneath the waters of Lake Bolsena.

xxv - Massive Roman Dolium and Possible Shipwreck Discovered off Italy's Elba Island

xxvi - I'm an archaeologist. This is one of my all-time favourite sites

After years spent excavating ruins across the world, Sean Russell felt as though he'd hit gold at the tiny Tempietto di Malchittu in Sardinia — here's why

xxvii - Archaeologists excavating the ancient Etruscan city of Kainua in northern Italy have uncovered remarkably well-preserved bronze objects from a ritual well, offering new insights into religious practices dating back almost 2,500 years.

xxviii - Rare 4,000-Year-Old 'Enigmatic Tablet' Found Intact at Lucone Bronze Age Village

xxix - Pasta factory expansion leads to stunning discovery of 2,600-year-old city of the dead
Burial chambers at the site contained Egyptian scarabs, Etruscan artifacts and rarely preserved textiles

xxx - A 2,500-year-old animal bone found in Sicily reveals how ancient people wrote on clay

xxxi - Submerged Roman port in Italy possibly linked to Octavian's 44 BCE landing under excavation

xxxii - The Kouros of Lentini Returns Home: Starting September 13, the Statue Will Be on Display at the Archaeological Museum

xxxiii - Vetulonia, scoperto l'ingresso della Domus dei Dolia

xxxiv - A Rare Etruscan Cube-Shaped Tomb from the Era of Rome's Last Kings, with a Corinthian Krater Filled with Burned Bones, Discovered in Pontecagnano

xxxv - Archaeologists have discovered a 6th-century BC Picene tomb containing a collection of funerary objects in Sant'Elpidio a Mare, located in Italy's central Marche region.
