



Roman Agriculture

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This area has a lot of remnants and evidence of Roman life and agriculture that can be easily missed if we don't know their history.

Now, close your eyes for a moment and imagine stepping into a time machine and going back to the times of Ancient Rome, more than two thousand years ago.

- What will we find?
- Move carefully closer and look through the glass.
- What is all of this? Remnants. Fragments of pottery? Mill stones?
- It's time to find out!

The Ravine of Santes Creus has been a source of natural resources made use of by human beings since ancient times. The water and sediments it provided brought about the settlement of groups of humans along its course. Numerous discoveries are witness to this interaction: amphoras; recipients destined for the storing and transport of agricultural produce such as olive oil and wine; remnants of construction which correspond to rural houses and a whole range of everyday objects like plates, chest pins to hold tunics up, fishing weights and some coins from the period of the High Empire.

- So many objects!
- Just wait! A fragment of tegula, a type of rectangular roof tile with a small inscription, was also found. Can you see it?
- Yes! A Q and a C!
- Well, these initials lead us to think of a man named Quintus Cornelius, which could correspond to the name of the manufacturer of the tiles or, much more romantically, the name of the owner of the land around the Ravine of Santes Creus... Which story do you prefer?

We invite you to look at these objects on display that make up this small Roman site. The pieces are numbered and there is a list is on the left-hand side of the glass.

Ave Cornèlius

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