



SITIMUS ROMAN VILLA

SAUGUST 3-21



- Location: Alcacer do Sal, Portugal
- Period: Roman-Medieval
- Duration: Three weeks
- Accommodation: double room in hotel
- Program: Archaeology/Museology, Field Archaeology and Museum, Studies in the Roman villa of Santa Catarina de Sitimos, excursions to historical sites.



The Roman Villa of Santa Catarina de Sítimos is located in the southwest of Portugal, in the beautiful coast of the Alentejo region. The nearest city is Alcácer do Sal (Roman Salacia) on a small and picturesque village of the municipality of Alcácer do Sal.

This Roman villa is called by the name of the village, Santa Catarina de Sítimos and it was one of the rural settlements of the age of the famous Roman city of Alcácer do Sal, Salacia Imperatoria Urbs, the capital of the civitas, mentioned by Latin writers such as Pliny and

Strabo for the premium textiles, good quality of soils, and mine control. Its importance in previous times, especially in the Iron Age, the ancient Beuipo, with the only Phoenician colony ever excavated in Portugal in Abul, settled the base for the rising of Alcácer do Sal. It has one of the most important antique maritime harbour cities in the Atlantic ocean.





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EXCURSIONS



- **Tróia** was the largest fish-salting centre of the Roman Empire.
- **Setúbal** is known to be the city of good fish, especially sardine! Highlights are the fortress of S. Luís and a beautiful city center.
- **Lisbon**, the capital of Portugal, in 2023 continued to be considered the best city on the World Travel Awards. We meet again at Fábrica da Nata at Restauradores to taste the famous bakery of the city, Pastéis de Nata, and head back to our headquarters in Alcácer do Sal.
- **Comporta** village is the fanciest beach village in Portugal so expect some luxury shops combined with the typical Alentejo houses, in blue and white.
- **Alcácer do Sal**, with its Museum Pedro Nunes, Archaeological Cript, Clock Tower, and the Roman Forum.

DAILY SCHEDULE

5.30 am - Breakfast
6.00-10.00 am - Excavation
10.00-10.30 am - Snack break
10.30-12.30 pm - Excavation
12.30 pm - Lunch
2-5 pm - Workshops/
Presentations/ Site tours
5-8.00 pm - Free time
8.00 pm - Dinner



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