



Lost Civilizations : Ancient Rome

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As legend has it, Rome was founded by Romulus and his brother Remus.

They planned to found Rome close to the Tiber at the place where, as babies, they had been abandoned then taken in by a pack of wolves.

The two brothers did not agree on the exact site of where Rome would be built. A dispute broke out between them: they fought and Remus was killed. So Romulus founded Rome.

During the first centuries of its existence Rome was governed by kings: first by semi-legendary kings of Sabine origin, then by foreign Etruscan kings.

The Roman Republic is the ancient Roman period when the power was not held by any lone man, but by the Roman citizens, magistrates and senate who collaborated to make decisions.

The Roman Republic lasted from 509 BC (fall of the Etruscan monarchy) to 27 AD (when Augustus takes power).

During this period Rome conquered the main part of its empire around the Mediterranean Sea.

The Roman Empire corresponds to the period of Roman history when a lone man, the emperor, held power.

The successions of power are often difficult. The Romans complete the conquest of their Empire's territory and construct defenses to protect against invasions.

Roman civilization takes root in the empire but the Romans adopt several foreign customs. Christianity appears and grows. The 1st and 2nd centuries AD and the beginning of the 3rd are the brightest periods of the Roman Empire.

The fall of Rome corresponds to the end of the Roman Empire.