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Rome, the city where 28 centuries of history converge.

The cradle city of Western civilization, Rome has a history which stretches back over more than 2500 years.

The centre of the Roman Empire, the heart of the catholic religion in the Vatican, Rome manages to combine Roman amphitheatres, Renaissance palaces, and Baroque fountains into an incredibly harmonious whole.

Rome is an open-air museum.

Supposedly founded by Romulus and Remus, the Gods desired the city to be created.

However the first traces of villages in the Latium plain date back to the 7th century BC.

The Christian religion spread rapidly in Rome thanks to the presence of a large Jewish population. It became the official religion of the Empire in 380.

Because of the size of the Christian community in the city, and the tradition that claimed that both Saint Peter and Saint Paul were martyred in Rome, the city became the capital of Christianity, and more specifically of the Catholic church.

The monumental heritage of Rome is extremely important.

Obvious examples are the Roman remains such as the Coliseum, the Forum, the Arch of Constantine, and the Capitol.

But many wonders have also survived from the Renaissance and Baroque periods, monuments of unequalled beauty and delicacy such as the Farnese Palace, the Chigi Palace, the Trevi Fountain and the many plazas.



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