

Italy - A Few Facts

Capital: Rome.

Area: 116,000 sq mi. (Florida: 66,000 sq mi). GDP 2025 \$ trillion est:

Italy \$2.4t (USA: \$30.3 t).

Currency: Euro (=US\$1.04).

Prime Minister: Giorgia Meloni (Elected by

parliament, not by citizens)

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In case you missed Part 1, next 8 slides show a few things we talked about.

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Today is Part 2 of our Presentation on Rome.

In December, Part 1 included:

Italy History Piazza Navona Rome History Colosseum

St Peter's Constantine Arch

Vatican Mus. Forum

Campo di Fiori Capitoline Mus.

Italy Quick History

753 BC: First King Romulus.

509 BC: Republic (no kings).

27 AD: Roman empire.

8th c AD: Divided into several dozen small states, republics, emirates.

1861: United - new country of Italy.

1922: Dictatorship (Mussolini).

WWII: Allied with Nazis and Japan.

Economy devastated.

1946: Kingdom became Republic.

















A few of the things we will talk about today:

Tiber River.

Spanish Steps.

Castle Sant'angelo.

Trevi.

Pantheon.

Palazzo Venezia.

Vittorio Emanuele.
Jewish Museum.

National Museum.

Falleria Spada.

Ten Historic
Churches.

Trastevere.

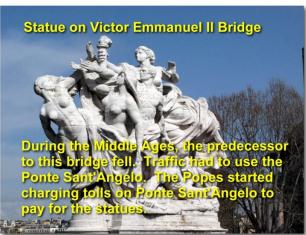
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Jewish Museum.

Day Trips.



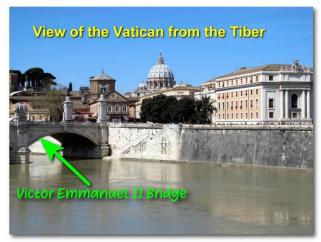




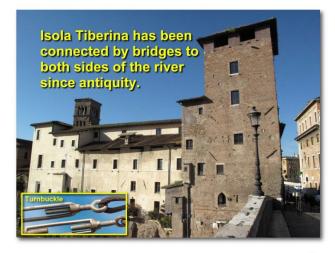






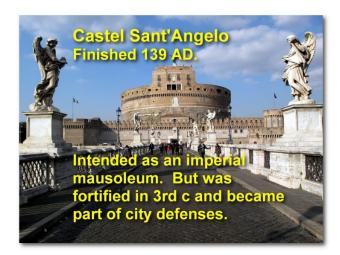


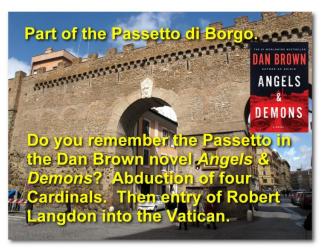














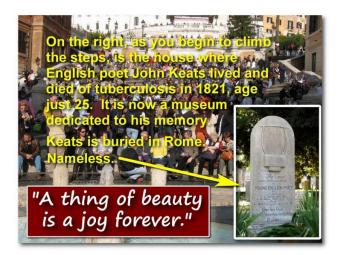


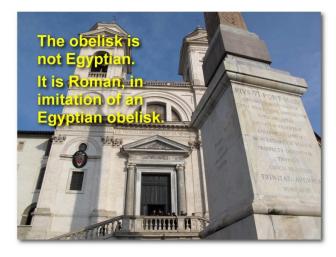








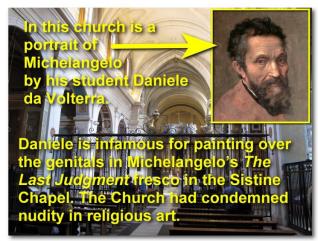




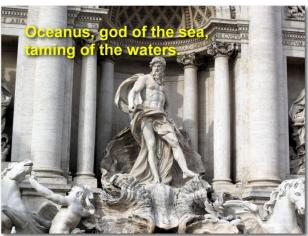










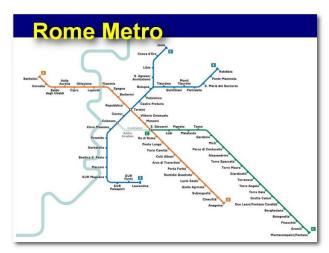










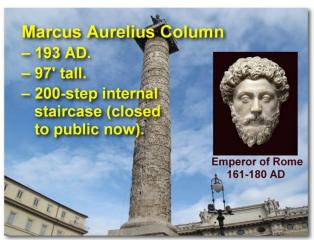








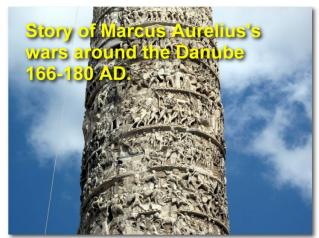




























Pantheon – Best-preserved of all Roman buildings in Rome. – Dome 43 metres (141') diameter. – Dome 43 metres above ground. – Dome has 8 metre (26') hole (occurs which opens it to the heavens. – There are small holes in the floor to drain away any rainwater.







The 16 Granite Columns:

- Quarried in Egypt.
- Each 39 feet tall, 5 feet diameter, and 60 tons weight.
- Dragged 62 miles from quarry to the Nile on wooden sledges.
- Floated by barge down the Nile.
- Transferred to vessels to cross the Mediterranean to Ostia.
- Put back on barges and pulled up the Tiber River to Rome.
- Dragged from the Tiber to the site.







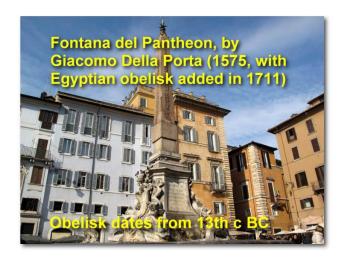






The Rome Ghetto

- Established 1555 by Pope Paul IV.
- Required all Jews to live in an area considered very undesirable due to constant flooding.
- Enclosed by walls and gates that were only open during the day.
- When the Papal state ended in 1870, the requirement that Jews live in the Ghetto ended. Walls torn down 1888. Much of the ghetto demolished.











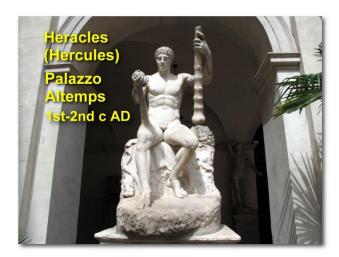


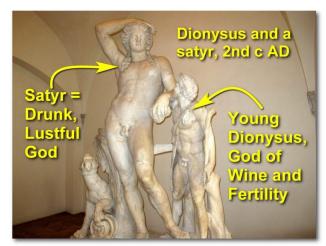


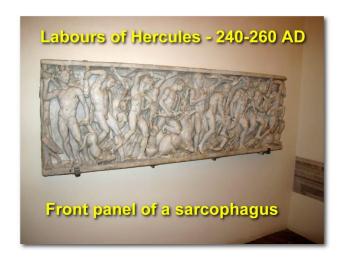


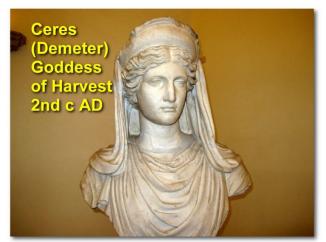






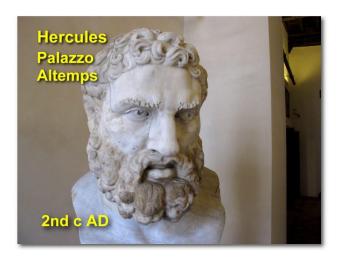


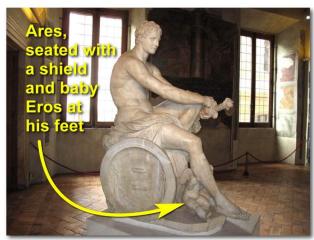








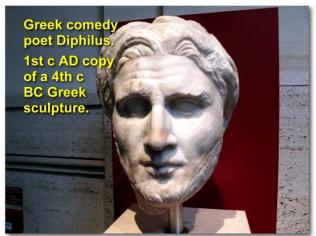






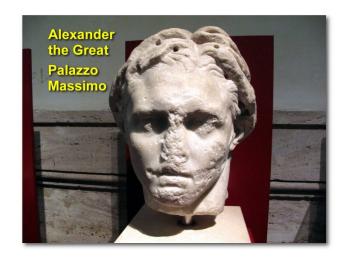












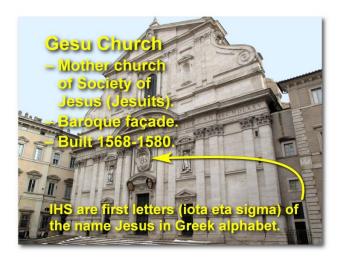




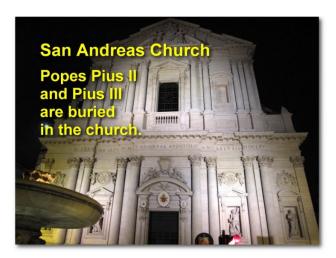


Let's take a break: Rome Fun Facts 1

- 1. Rome has 280 fountains and more than 900 churches more than any other city in the world.
- 2. Rome became capital of unified Italy in 1870, replacing Florence.
- 3. By law, wild cats may live wherever they want in Rome eg inside Colosseum or Forum.
- 4. St Peter's basilica is the largest church ever constructed.







Let's take a break: Rome Fun Facts 2

- 5. Romans often ate lying on a couch, eating with their hands. Occasionally used a spoon, never a knife or fork.
- 6. Roman citizens used to vomit between meals so they could continue to eat more.
- 7. Historians estimate that around 500,000 people and 1 million wild animals were killed in battles at the Colosseum. Over about 400 years.









