

RÖMERSTADT
CARNUNTUM



*Colonia Septimia Aurelia
Antoniniana Carnuntum*

**The past
begins here.**

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New
exhibition:
**Rome's
Eagle**

THE ROMAN CITY OF CARNUNTUM

THE PAST BEGINS HERE.

The time of the Romans in Carnuntum is not in the long-ago past, which can be seen by a few remains of walls, but it is the present which can be experienced with all one's senses. Today you can saunter in the footsteps of Roman emperors who wrote world history 1700 years ago. Public baths which are heated all year round entice you in the reconstructed Roman city quarter, the amphitheatre and the gladiator school take you back to the world of gladiators, and timeless treasures in the Museum Carnuntinum are witness to the former inhabitants' zest for life and culture.

The Mediterranean atmosphere in Carnuntum charms one throughout year and in all kinds of weather. The splendid blossoming of the Roman garden in spring, the shade of old trees in the heat of summer, the pattering of rain under the protection of the columned hall or veils of mist in autumn are only some of the impressions that Carnuntum gives you.

The European Commission has honoured Carnuntum's importance and its unique presentation by awarding the European Heritage Label.



IN THE ROMANS' LIVING ROOMS

CARNUNTUM'S ROMAN CITY QUARTER

In the reconstructed Roman city quarter you are literally a guest in the Romans' living rooms. Four buildings have been reconstructed true to the original with loving attention to detail. Underfloor heating systems provide pleasant warmth throughout the year, the kitchens smell of fresh herbs and delicious meals, and bowls of fresh fruit beckon invitingly in the luxuriously equipped living rooms.

The four buildings also give a glimpse of Roman society:

- The house of cloth merchant Lucius demonstrates the simple elegance of the Roman middle classes.
- The *villa urbana* impresses as a city mansion of the upper classes, with splendid murals and noble architecture.
- The Roman public baths invite one to relax in a Roman haven of pleasure. The calming burble of water in the marble pool, the sunlit rooms and the cosy warmth of the underfloor heating allow one to forget the routine of daily life for a few moments.
- The *domus quarta* enchants with the only preserved Roman floor mosaic.

BREAD AND GAMES

THE WORLD OF GLADIATORS

Gladiators were the stars of their age.

This is proven by the gladiator school in Carnuntum, but also by the fact that there were two amphitheatres in the city. Rich dignitaries staged gladiator fights there, in order to win votes from the citizens in the next election for public office.

Discover the world of gladiators:

Placards on house walls in the Roman city quarter announce coming gladiator fights, and some fans from those days have immortalized their idols with graffiti. Perhaps you can find one or more drawings.

The civilian city's amphitheatre is situated about 500 metres beyond the Roman city quarter, together with the gladiator school and its wooden training arena (which has been reconstructed in its original location).

The military city's amphitheatre shows you the people behind the gladiator fights. A multimedia exhibition using original finds gives a glimpse behind the scenes of Roman gladiator fights.



Familia Gladiatoria Carnuntina



Thraex against Murmillo

NEW: ROME'S EAGLE

CARNUNTUM AND THE CAESARS' ARMY

The new exhibition at the Archaeological Museum Carnuntinum outlines the Roman army's impact on settlements, economy and social life in Carnuntum. "Rome's Eagle" epitomized the Roman emperors' universal claim to power. As a symbol of the supreme god Jupiter, it also represented the legions and the Roman military as a whole.

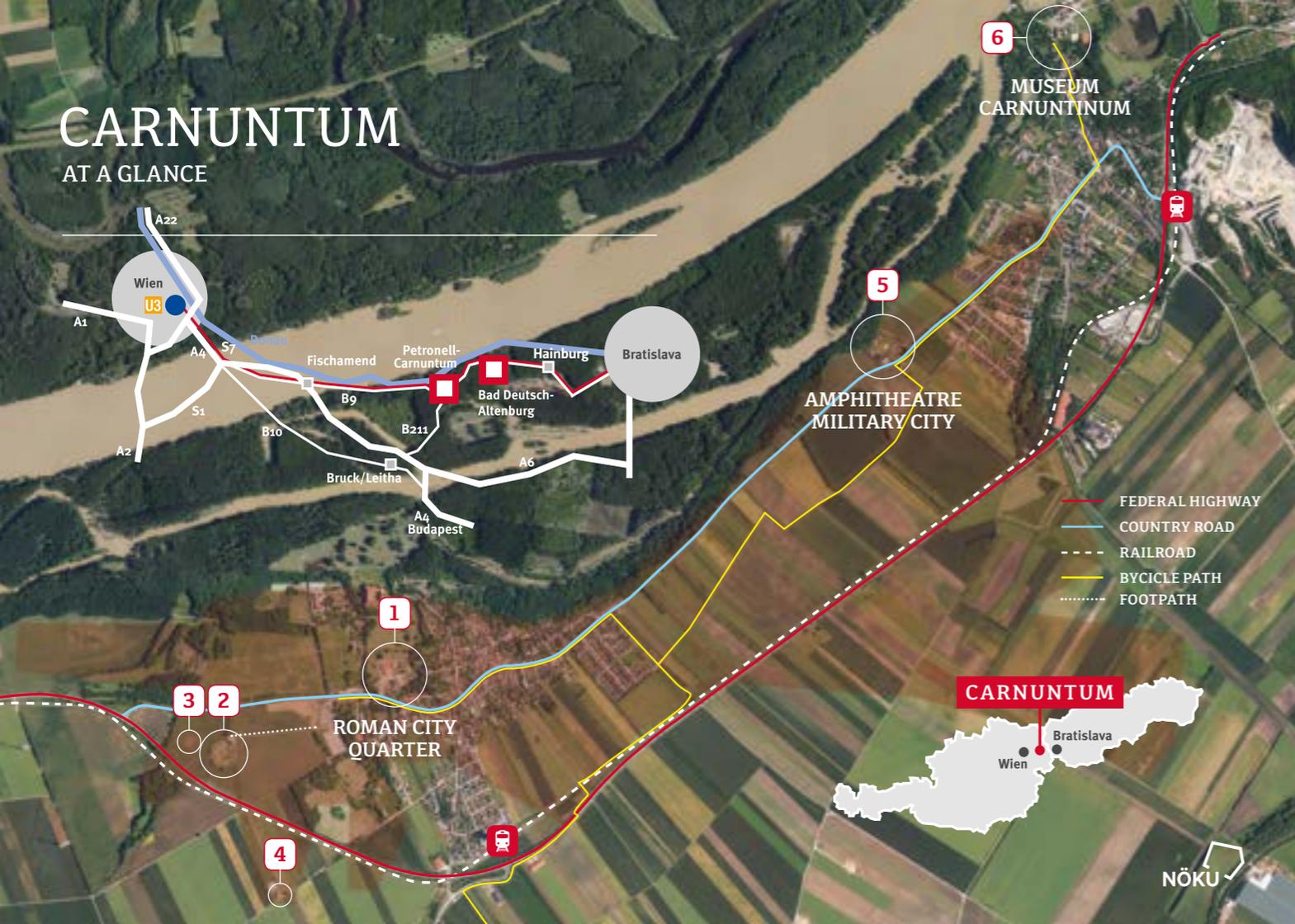
One of the exhibition's focal points lies on the comprehensive military and civil duties performed by the Roman army. The most spectacular exhibits on display are the world's last surviving Roman cornu, a brass instrument used in battle to translate military commands, and a series of fully preserved helmets. Original findings from Carnuntum offer highly personal insights into careers and destinies of Roman soldiers.

Special attention is also lent to life along the border of the Roman Empire, formed by the Danube Limes in the case of Carnuntum. Thanks to both border control and cultural exchange secured by the Roman army, trade and culture thrived for centuries in the rich metropolis located directly on the frontier river separating the Roman Empire from the so-called Barbaricum.



CARNUNTUM

AT A GLANCE



ROMAN CITY CARNUNTUM

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| | 1 ROMAN CITY QUARTER
Hauptstraße 1A,
2404 Petronell-Carnuntum
<i>Entrance with combined ticket</i> | | 4 HEIDENTOR
<i>Free entrance</i> |
| | 2 AMPHITHEATRE CIVILIAN CITY
<i>Free entrance</i>
FOOTPATH | | 5 AMPHITHEATRE MILITARY CITY
Wiener Straße 52,
2405 Bad-Deutsch-Altenburg
<i>Entrance with combined ticket</i> |
| | 3 GLADIATOR SCHOOL
<i>Free entrance</i>
FOOTPATH | | 6 MUSEUM CARNUNTINUM
Badgasse 40-46, 2405
Bad-Deutsch-Altenburg
<i>Entrance with combined ticket</i> |

CARNUNTUM THROUGHOUT THE MILLENIA

HISTORY

6 AD Tiberius, who later became emperor, erects a winter camp in the Carnuntum area; beginning of Roman presence in Carnuntum.

41 to 54 AD The military camp is erected.

from ca. 70 AD Settlement begins in the civilian city (in the area of the Roman city quarter in Petronell-Carnuntum).

81 to 96 AD Under Emperor Domitian the auxiliary fort and the amphitheatre in the canabae are established.

Around 124 AD Under Emperor Hadrian Carnuntum becomes a municipality – Municipium Aelium Karnuntum. At this time the amphitheatre in the civilian city is erected.

171 to 173 AD Emperor Marcus Aurelius stays in Carnuntum where he completes the second book of his “Meditations”.

9.4.193 AD Lucius Septimius Severus is proclaimed emperor in Carnuntum.

194 AD Carnuntum is awarded the status of colony – Colonia Septimia Aurelia Antoniniana Karnuntum.

11.11.308 AD Emperors’ Conference in Carnuntum.

433 AD The province of Pannonia is ceded to the Huns.

End of 19th C. Start of systematic research into Carnuntum which has lasted to the present day.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Opening times: 19 March to 19 November / daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

1 ticket, 3 locations

Adults	€ 11
Reduced, groups	€ 9
Children 11-14	€ 6
Schoolchildren in classes	€ 4
Season ticket	€ 22

Families: free admittance for children below 11 years if accompanied by an adult

If you visit all locations of the Roman City Carnuntum in one day you will receive a Roman souvenir!



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Vienna Pass**



One free admittance with these cards except for special events.

Information about special offers for groups and families, reductions and barrier-free access can be found under: www.carnuntum.at or phone +43 (0)2163 33 77 799

Guided tours 2017 in German language

Tour ticket per person and location € 3,00

Roman city quarter & Museum Carnuntinum
Sat, Sun, publ. hols 10 a.m. / noon / 2 p.m. / 3:30 p.m.

Other tours see notice-board / Duration ca. 1 hour / Children under 6 free of charge

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