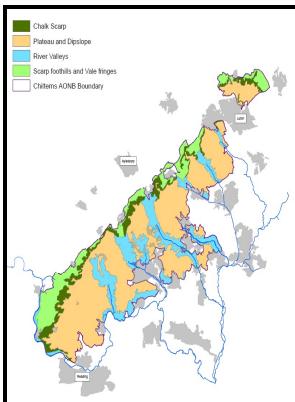


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Artefacts found on the site have included 16 Roman coins dating to the C3 and C4 AD. . Details The monument is situated on level ground to the north west of Cooks Cottages.

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On a national level, only 43% of the buildings are circular or curvilinear, and there is a steady reduction in the number of sites with circular architecture over time, though there are significant regional variations.

Rome's homes on the range

Lemannus 7 Modern placename e. With the inclusion of the Welsh settlement data in 2015 to complement that from England, we now have some 3600 records of rural sites, accounting for c.

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This is a guesstimate rather than an established fact, but in the 1970s it is thought that archaeologists excavated a lot more high-status Roman villas and grand townhouses than messy and insubstantial rural sites.

The Rural Settlement of Roman Britain: Introduction

The report laments the lack of evidence for the plan and extent of such sites, though that is perhaps understandable given that later towns Staines and Brentford, for example now sit on top of their Romano-British predecessors — perhaps not evidence of continuity of settlement so much as the longevity and usefulness of the roads, fords, and bridges.

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Until the end of Roman occupation of Britain the South West was a centre of wealth, trade and farming, although as a whole South West Romano-Britain is under researched. During the 3rd century there is increasing evidence of settlement abandonment and shift — some would argue that this was a natural correction to a centrally planned system, as people respond to the realities of rural life and economic opportunity and shift to those places where they can best earn a living — hence the establishment of new roadside settlements. Placename Zoom Ancient placename major places e.

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The reconstruction drawing by Cecily Marshall give an idea of how the site would have appeared in the mid- 3rd to late 4th century. Some 105 examples of buildings with cellars are now known from several parts of Britain, with evidence such as at Wattle Syke, West Yorkshire, with its 15 late Roman cellared buildings that the basements were used for crop processing, grain drying, animal processing, cooking, antler-working, and smithing.

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