

The Cotswolds

ITINERARY 3 :

The Romans in the Cotswolds

The day begins at Cirencester, which was the second largest town in Roman Britain. Discover the treasures of the Cotswolds at the award winning Corinium Museum in the centre of the town. It presents an exciting and interactive story of Roman activities in the Cotswolds and also traces the history of the area from the Prehistoric to Victorian times. The Corinium Museum is fully accessible to all and has exhibitions and events throughout the year.

The market town of Cirencester is attractive and interesting and worth exploring after your visit to the Museum.

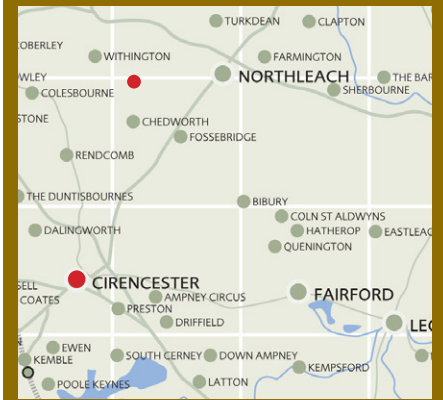
It is then a short journey to The National Trust's Chedworth Roman Villa. The villa itself, situated in one of the loveliest valleys in the Cotswolds, contains some marvellous mosaics, hypocausts, bathhouses and latrines still in situ for you to admire. There is a gift shop and a tea tent is available for light refreshments at weekends and school holidays and for groups by request.

AT A GLANCE :

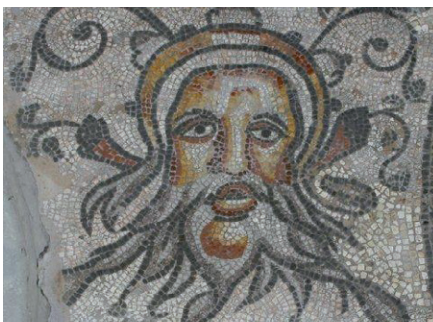
Highlights: An opportunity to learn about the Romans in the Cotswolds through the award winning Corinium Museum and Chedworth Roman Villa and time to enjoy the beautiful countryside of this area of the Cotswolds.

Timing: A start of 10.00am at the Corinium Museum allows sufficient time for a finish of 4.30pm at The Villa.

Miles: 9m from Cirencester to Chedworth Roman Villa.



The Corinium Museum Cirencester



The Museum is situated in Park Street in Cirencester (behind the Parish Church). There is coach parking in Tetbury Road (4/5 mins. walk to museum). The museum can advise on drop off points if required.

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www.cotswold.gov.uk/go/museum



After your visit, it is worth having a stroll around this attractive Cotswold market town. The church of St John Baptist in the market place and the Brewery Arts Centre are particularly worth visiting. A little further out is the site of the Roman Amphitheatre, the outlines of which are still clearly visible.

www.cirencester.gov.uk

Chedworth Roman Villa



To arrive at Chedworth Roman Villa from Cirencester take the A429 heading north east towards Northleach and Stow on the Wold. At Fossebridge (after approx. 5 miles) just before the bottom of a steep descent, turn left at the brown tourist sign for the Villa into a minor road and follow the signs for Chedworth Roman Villa.

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