

Table 6. Roman re-constructions

This table aims to include all full-scale re-constructions of Roman-period buildings and structures. Re-constructions that are not full scale have been excluded wherever possible. The information is derived from site visits and a search on the Internet and was updated in September 2023. This information has been assembled by Richard Hingley for the 'Ancient Identities' project.

England

<i>Name and location</i>	<i>date established</i>	<i>brief notes</i>	<i>reference</i>
Ancient Technology Centre, Dorset		A re-construction of a Roman forge (smithy-workshop) at an open-air museum with buildings representing various phases. This is based on archaeological evidence from London. There is also a re-construction of a Roman water-lifting machine also found in London at this centre.	< http://openarchaeology.info/institutional-members/ancient-technology-centre-atc-en 2017> < https://ancienttechnologycentre.com/the-site >
Avalon Archaeology Park, Glastonbury, Somerset	2017	A re-construction of the dining room of a Roman villa with a working hypocaust and mosaic. There is also a re-	Brunning 2023

		construction of an Anglo-Saxon longhall and an Iron Age roundhouse at this site.	< https://swheritage.org.uk/avalon-archaeology/ >
Brigantium Archaeological Reconstruction Centre, Northumberland	Early 2000s	A re-constructed Romano-British farmstead based on roundhouses which is now closed.	Frodsham (2004, 59-60); Paul Frodsham pers. com.
Butser Ancient Farm, Hampshire	2003	A Roman villa was re-constructed at the pre-existing Iron Age open-air museum. Based on a local villa at Sparsholt. This has now been re-constructed.	< https://www.butserancientfarm.co.uk >
Lunt Roman Fort, Baginton, Coventry	1966	Open-air re-constructions of the ramparts and a granary at a timber-and-earth Roman fort.	< https://www.luntromanfort.org >
Manchester, Roman Fort, Manchester	1986	A re-construction of the north gate and a length of curtain wall on the site of the Roman fort.	< https://manchesterhistory.net/manchester/tours/tour1/area1page31.html >
The Newt, Castle Cary, Somerset	2021	A full-scale re-constructed Roman villa (<i>Villa Ventorum</i>) based on the Hadspen Villa, in the grounds of an exclusive country hotel	Jarman 2023

Richborough Roman Fort, Kent	2022-3	The refitting of the site museum has also included works on the site of the ancient monument, including the re-construction of a section of the earth and timber rampart, a gate and tower of the Claudian fort.	< https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/richborough-roman-fort-and-amphitheatre/richborough-gateway-to-britannia/ >
South Shields, Arbeia Roman Fort & Museum, Tyne & Wear	1985	Re-constructions include the south-west gatehouse, a barrack block and the commanding officer's house on the site of a fort and museum.	< https://arbeiromanfort.org.uk >
Vindolanda Fort and Vicus, Northumberland	1974	Re-constructions of a timber and a stone section of the curtain Wall of Hadrian's Wall, including a turret and gateway. This has been rebuilt and re-opened in 2017. There is also a re-construction of a small temple in the valley by the museum.	< https://www.vindolanda.com/roman-vindolanda-fort-museum >
Wallsend, Segedunum Roman Fort, Baths and Museum, Tyne & Wear	2000	Re-constructions include a bathhouse and a section of the curtain Wall of Hadrian's Wall at and around the site of a Roman fort and museum.	< https://segedunumromanfort.org.uk >

Wroxeter Roman City, Shropshire	2010	A re-constructed Roman town house created as part of a project with Channel 4. It is based on the design of a house excavated at this <i>civitas</i> capital.	White (2016: 18-21)
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Wales

Castell Henllys Iron Age Fort, Pembrokeshire	1981	Re-constructions of an Iron Age which also spanned the Roman period, although the on-site interpretation does not really explore the later phases.	Mytum (1999); Mytum (2000); Mytum (2004); < https://www.pembrokeshirecoast.wales/castell-henllys/ >
Caerleon, National Roman Legionary Museum, Caerleon, Newport		The Museum includes a replica of a full-sized barrack room for legionary soldiers.	< https://www.livinglevels.org.uk/stories/2021/8/3/national-roman-legion-museum-caerleon >
Park in the Past, Hope, Flintshire	2014	A plan to restore in an old sand and gravel quarry by creating a fully functional Roman fort an 'Iron Age/Celtic' farmstead set within the original environment which will be sustainably managed to develop and manage the facilities.	Hirst (2024).

		The re-construction of the Roman fort has commenced with the building of one of the gateways but there is no mention of the Iron Age houses on the current website.	
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