

# When in Rome: get a taste of ancient life – in London

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## **New exhibition at the British Museum focuses on two major cities in the bay of Naples**

March 19, 2013, 12:13 am -- /[EPR NETWORK](#)/ -- Those who fell in love with Mary Beard and her funny, honest portrayals of Roman life through her BBC series Meet the Romans, will be delighted by the upcoming exhibition at the British Museum.

Entitled Life and Death in Pompeii and Herculaneum, the exhibition will focus on the day to day doings of two of the Roman Empire's most famed cities, both nestled under the awnings of the gaping volcano Mount Vesuvius.

These two very different cities were both covered – and destroyed – by the fateful eruption of Mount Vesuvius in AD 79. But thanks to this exhibition, we can get a glimpse into life under the lava.

Displaying over 250 objects, many of which have never before been seen outside Italy before, the museum conveys what everyday Roman life was like nearly 1700 years ago. Objects from Herculaneum, a small seaside town, include wooden furniture carbonized by the high temperatures of the ash and a baby's crib that still rocks on its curved runners.

From Pompeii, the industrial hub of the region, we have a beautiful wall painting of the baker, Terentius Neo and his wife, who appear as equal partners, in business and in life. Other fascinating objects include sculpted marble reliefs, carved ivory panels and casts showing the Pompeii victims forever suspended in their last moments.

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