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THE ROMAN ARCH OF CABANES

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THE ROMAN ARCH OF CABANES IS A PRIVATE FUNERARY MONUMENT ERECTED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 2ND CENTURY AND LINKED TO A RURAL VILLA CLOSE TO THE VIA AUGUSTA. IT CONSTITUTES ONE OF THE MOST RELEVANT PIECES OF VALENCIAN HERITAGE FROM THE ROMAN PERIOD.

The monument had the structure of a triumphal arch, but only the arch ring (archivolt) and the two pillars remain, with the entire entablature missing. Originally, it would have reached a height of over seven meters, with a four-meter span (clearance), although the currently preserved part only reaches 5.80 m.
It features simple and well-proportioned lines, with ornamental development on the bases, imposts, and columns using simple moldings. It was located next to the Via Augusta, parallel to it—a frequent arrangement for funerary monuments of the Imperial era.

• IN SEARCH OF THE LOST ASHLARS

The monument maintained its original shape until the mid-16th century, judging by an engraving from that period. Two centuries later, however, Cavanilles depicted it with an appearance very similar to today's. During that interval, the looting of the upper entablature must have occurred. Some ashlars were hollowed out and used as livestock watering troughs, while others were used in the construction of buildings in Cabanes. Do you dare to find them?







Ashlars from the Roman arch extracted for other uses

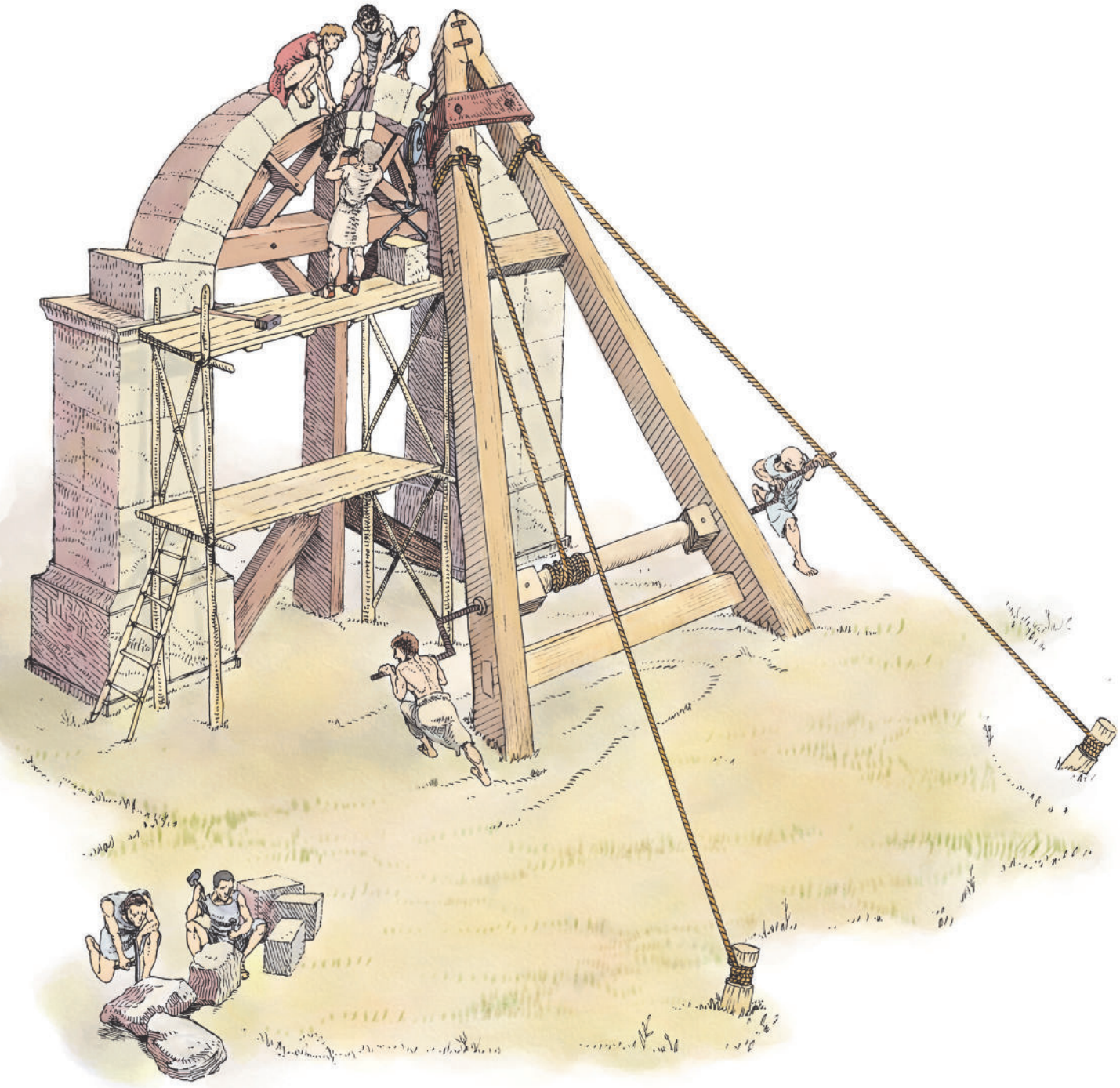
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AFTER MORE THAN 18 CENTURIES OF HISTORY AND HAVING SURVIVED MULTIPLE CULTURAS, THE ROMAN ARCH OF CABANES IS STILL STANDING. **WE INVITE YOU TO VISIT IT.**