

Isca Augusta/Caerleon



Amphitheater



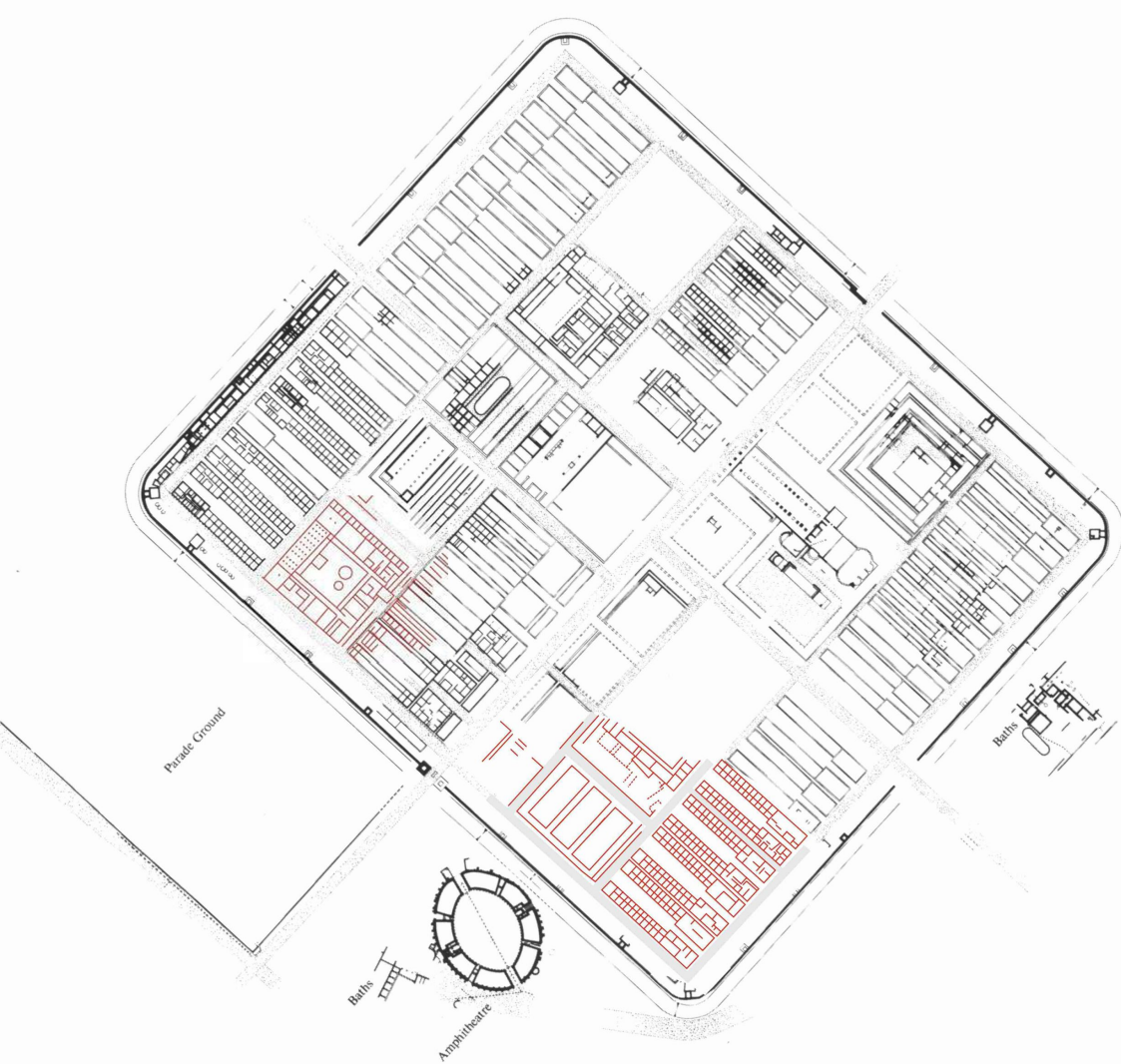
- 74 J Frontinus → Silures
- ~ 75 Isca Aug. est.
- Early 2nd C. completed
- After 120 diminished (Scots)
- 3rd C. increase
 - town
 - Ireland is feisty
- Mid 4th C. “Saxon Shore” focus
 - End military occupation of Isca Aug.

Occupied by II Legio Augusta (based in Britain for most of occupation) and XX Valeria Victrix

Part of network to control Welsh landscape

Central to road network (Wroxeter, Silchester, Gloucester, Severn, Exeter, etc.)





- Standardized
- 50 acres
- Wood and clay
- ~ 80 baths and amphitheater
- ~ 110 stone

Caerleon -- *castra legionis*

Isca Augusta -- River Usk

- Excavated since 1843
- Still not fully excavated

Question to ponder: Britain has numerous Roman remains, but Caerleon in particular has captured people's imaginations and has even been posited as the basis for Camelot. Any thoughts why?



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