

Antiquity Roman Literature in the Abbey of St Gall

Winter Exhibition Abbey Library of St Gall

22 November 2022 until 12 March 2023 in the Baroque Hall

The literature of Roman antiquity is varied, colourful, sensual. Two thousand years later, it still fascinates. During the Middle Ages, it was no different. Ancient texts were copied, read and annotated. Using these works, the young monks at the monastery of St Gall practised their Latin. What was ideal in terms of style, however, in respect of content did not always correspond to the values that prevailed in the monastery.

Using manuscripts and prints dating from the 4th to the 17th century, the exhibition shows how the monks dealt with this situation along with the ancient texts they read in the monastery.

Opening hours

Monday to Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm | Closed 7–21 November and 24/25 December 2022

Admission prices

Entire Abbey District CHF 18 | 16 | 12 | 10

Audio guide to the Abbey District and the old town

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Public guided tours

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Exhibition catalogue

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Detail of a fragment of the *Vergilius Sangallensis* with verses from Virgil's *Georgics*, Book 4. St Gall, Abbey Library, Cod. Sang. 1394, p. 39.