

Roman mosaics



Some facts about Roman mosaics:

- The mosaics decorated the floors of Roman villas or other buildings.
- How large and impressive a mosaic was, told people about how rich or powerful the owner was.
- The tiny stones or tiles were called 'tesserae'.
- These were stuck to the floor with mortar (a type of cement).
- It took many thousands of tiny pieces to make a mosaic.
- The pictures were sometimes of scenes from life in Roman times and sometimes pictures of Gods.





