Evidence from the era of the Seven Kings of Rome

The Lapis Niger ('the Black Stone')

Discovered by Giacomo Boni in the Forum in 1899

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An Archaic building from 620's BC

Regia

Has the same inscription on a piece of pottery as the Black Stone did

Evidence of mud huts etc

Sacking by Rome?

Temple of Jupiter was built in this period but no saying who by

Proof that people were living on the Palatine Hill in the 750s BC

Buildings surviving in Alba Longa with burn marks

No proof it was built by Tarquin I

Was marshy and boggy, land reclaimed by the 6th C BC building of the underground sewage system

City was burnt to the ground in the late 8th C BC

Archaeology

The City changing through this period

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