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I. People and Geography

- A. Indo-European, Italic group who practiced inhumation
- B. lived NE of Rome in various villages--no unification *→ only as written*
- C. List of S. cities: Casperia, Cures, Eretum, Forum Decii, Forum Novum, Fidenae, Foruli, Interamna, Nursia, Nomentum, Trebula Mutuesca, Trebula Suffenas, Tarina, Tibur, Aquae Cutiliae, Interocrium, & Falacrinae *Vergil; Sciliius Italici*

II. Origin

- A. Antiochus of Syracuse
- B. DH *3 myths*
- C. Strabo *autochthonous*

III. History and Relationship to Rome

- A. Romulus and Titus Tatius *→ Rape; Tarpeia*
- B. Numa Pompilius *Sabine, → religion*
- C. Tullus Hostilius *Not a Sabine*
- D. Ancus Martius *Grandson of Numa*
- E. Tarquinius Priscus *Conflicts*
- F. the Republic *Appius Claudius* *290 B.C. Date of conquering*

IV. Religious Practices

- A. Derivation of "Sabini" *Spartan Origins*
- B. Ver Sacrum *Population control* *Vow of Thanksgiving + Expiation* *"Sacrifice" → forced exodus of youth*
- C. Auspica Maiora *→ set up by Numa* *based on series of ceremonial (religious laws)*
- D. Sabine Divinities (according to Varro): Feronia, Minerva, Pales, Vesta, Salus, Fons, Fortuna, Fides, Ops, Flora, Saturn, Vediovis, Sol, Luna, Vulcan, Summanus, Terminus, Quirinus, Vortumnus, Larunda, Lares, Diana, Lucina, Semo Sancus*

V. Foundation of Rome and Sabine Connection

- A. homogeneity vs. duality of I.E. founders of Rome
- B. Annalistic Tradition *Livy + Dionysius*
- C. Louis de Beaufort *Doubted A, esp. rape*
- D. Mommsen *Romantic projections of current events into past / literary invention*
- E. Piganiol *Rome - co-foundation of Italics + Mediterranean (C)*
- F. Gjerstad *Gradual infiltration of Sabines into Rome*
- G. Dumézil *Refutes C, Refutes E*



Map of Sabine Territory
(From CIL IX Tab. III.)