

BISCUIT AMPHITHEATRE

The Amphitheatre was built on the edge of the Romano-British town of Calleva Atrebatum (Silchester). It was an open-air arena devoted to public entertainment. It was built early in the life of the town, between AD50 and 70. Gladiatorial combat, animal fights and equestrian games could all have taken place there.

During the lockdown one of our team tried to build an amphitheatre out of pink wafer biscuits! It was quite tricky and we used 18 packs of biscuits in total. You may like to try making a smaller version using the photos as a guide.

First they laid out the front layer in the two half-rings as shown in the photos. Then they added the layer behind. And then they added the horizontal block that caps the front layer and work back from there. You may have to trim some biscuits to get the ends to line up.

