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A New Museum of Etruscan and Roman Culture and Artifacts Volterra, Italy (Tuscany).

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Volterra, Italy is a medieval walled city, 1500 feet above the Etruscan valley below. Volterra has 4 main gates that allow entry into the city.

The new Museum may be sited on one of two alternate sites. The primary site is the current Etruscan Museum site and plaza, which faces both an inner medieval narrow street of shops and an existing popular plaza that overlooks the Roman Amphitheatre. An alternate site is the Etruscan Acropolis.

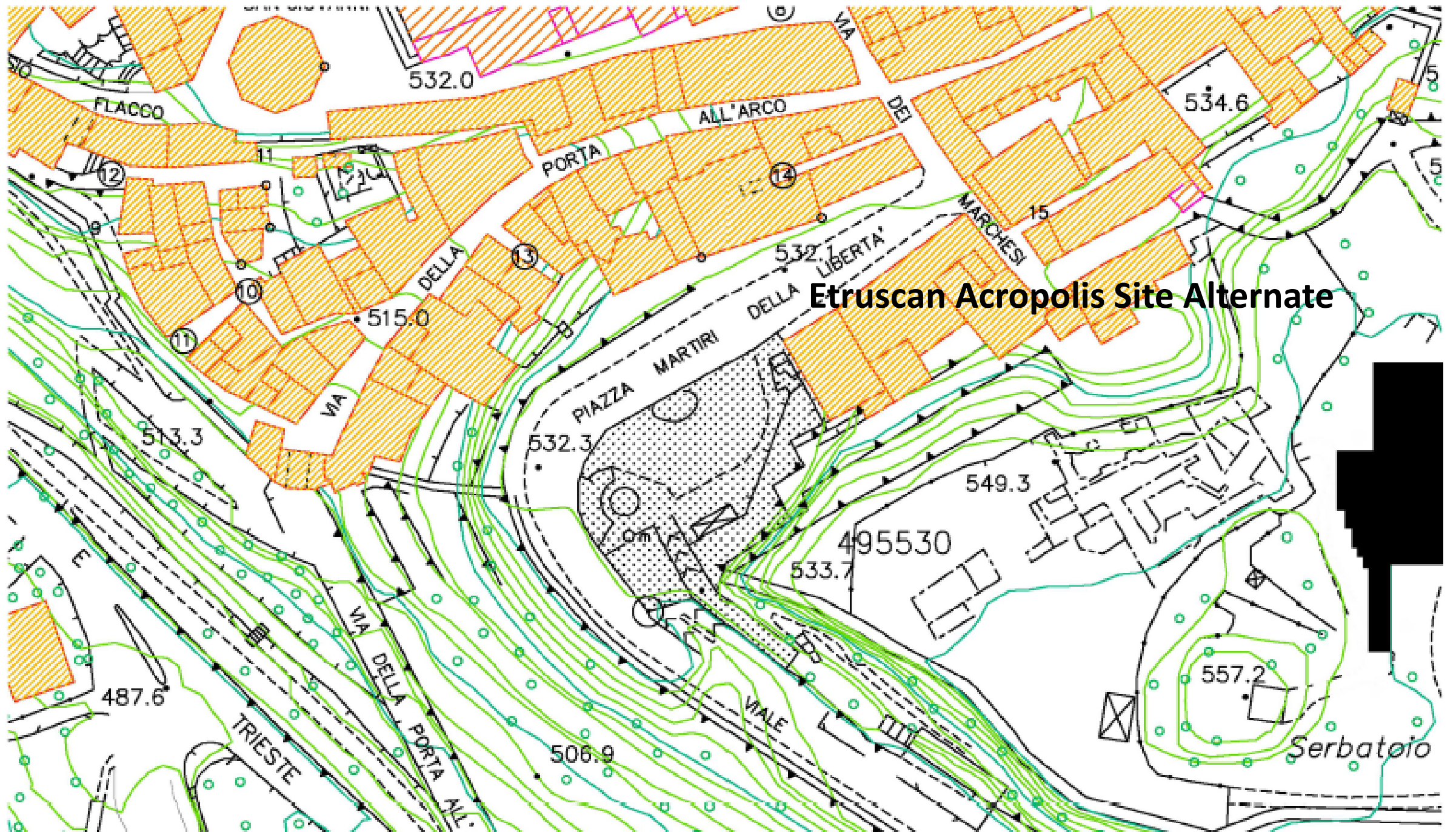
Site overlooking the Roman Amphitheatre



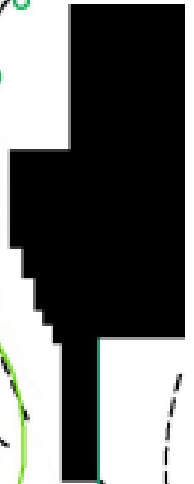


Etruscan Acropolis

Google



Etruscan Acropolis Site Alternate





Volterra Medieval Context



Original Etruscan Gate into city

- Museum/Galleries
- Museum Support
- Artifact Studios
- Café
- Supporting Research Center, staff, conferencing, study rooms

Museum of Etruscan and Roman Culture and Artifacts.

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