

# Lost Roman Gold, Priceless Stolen Artworks, sunken Spanish galleons, Viking plunder:

## “Indiana Jones’-style” Stories of Ancient Treasures

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**San Francisco, CA (July 22,2013)** — *Why are we so drawn to stories of hidden treasure and lost loot?* Just imagine unearthing centuries-old silver from the Roman Empire, salvaged Spanish coins and art stolen from the museums of Afghanistan.

As spellbinding as a James Bond movie, written by one of Europe’s most renowned investigators and archaeologists, ***Ancient Treasures: The Discovery of Lost Hoards, Sunken Ships, Buried Vaults, and Other Long-Forgotten Artifacts*** is a gem-encrusted treasure chest of priceless plunder from archeological digs, Spanish swag and artworks stolen by the Nazis, including:

- *The Sevso Treasure, a hoard of large silver vessels from the late Roman Empire estimated to be worth \$200 million; looted in the 1970s and sold on the black market.*
- *The Amber Room, a complete chamber decoration of amber panels backed with gold leaf and mirrors, stolen by the Nazis in 1941 and hidden in the castle at Königsberg in Russia, from which it disappeared.*
- *The fabulous wealth of Roman and Viking hoards buried in the ground for safekeeping, only to be unearthed centuries later by metal detectorists.*
- *The wrecks of the Spanish treasure fleets, whose New World plunder has been the target of elaborate salvage attempts by modern treasure hunters*
- *Lost Treasures of Afghanistan*
- *The Quedlinburg Hoard and the medieval Sroda Treasure*

**About the Author:** a prolific author and researcher on the subjects of ancient civilizations, prehistoric monuments, and supernatural folklore, **Brian Haughton** has been featured extensively in the History Channel documentary "Civilization Lost." He has also appeared on radio programs in the UK and the U.S.

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- *History's Mysteries*
- *The Lore of the Ghost*
- *Haunted Spaces, Sacred Places*

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