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Horse & Carriage Roman Ruined

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Two Fiaker horses toppled and landed in Roman ruins right in front of Viennas Hofburg Imperial Palace in the Austrian capital of Vienna yesterday (Thurs)

As horrified tourists looked on the horses managed to free themselves from their cart and galloped off completely out of control through Heldenplatz and Michaelerplatz, leaving the fiaker driver crushed by the cart. He was left with serious leg injuries.

The horses then galloped off through masses of tourists through the Michaelertor, where one of the horses fell over, the other horse toppled into the Roman ruins.

Christian Feiler from the Vienna Fire Service said: One of the animals was lying on Michaelerplatz, the other had fallen into the ruins.

The horse had to be rescued as there was no exit, a ramp was erected and the horse was able to be rescued.

A vet from the nearby Spanish Riding School came to their aid. The horse which had fallen into the ruins had to have stitches to its stomach. The other horse injured its hip and knee.

The 35-year-old Fiaker driver was taken to hospital with injuries which are not life threatening