Cardo Eastern

The Western Cardo (see next page) has long been excavated, but according to the Madaba Map there was also an Eastern Cardo. Recently this street from 135 AD that was part Hadrian's Jerusalem, called Aelia Capitolina, has been found. Excavations are under way directly west of the Western Wall Prayer Plaza. Excavations have revealed a wide street that was carefully paved and colonnaded.



There were shops along the street and some of the shops were carved right into the bedrock on the west side.



The existence of the East Cardo has long been known from the Madaba map of 500 AD



A view of the excavation of the Eastern Cardo in 2010.