



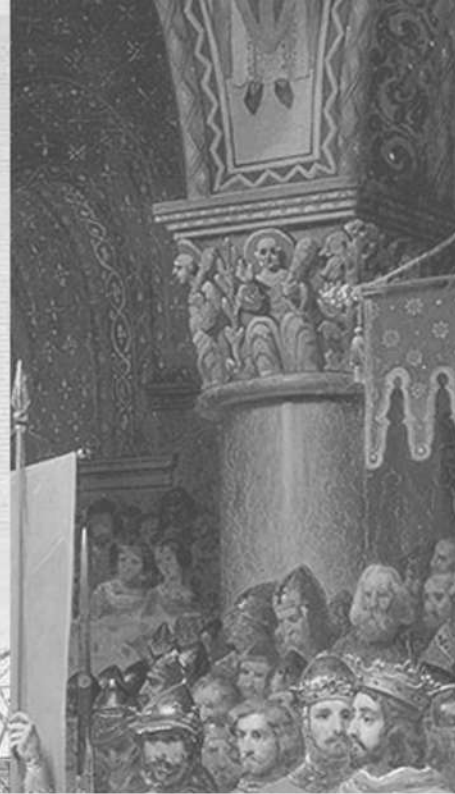
BORDEAUX- HISTORICAL ANALYSIS

Postolache Maria- Elis
Jonas Fertl

"The story of a city such as Bordeaux, which boasts at least 23 centuries of life, and which, right from the beginning, has acted as a **crossroads** for traffic between the Mediterranean and the Atlantic."

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Geographical
positioning

Agriculture

Commerce and exchange
of goods

Rich
families

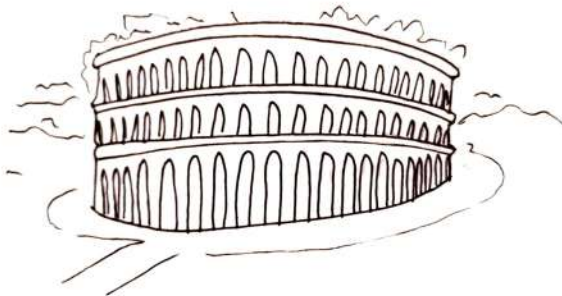
Urban
development



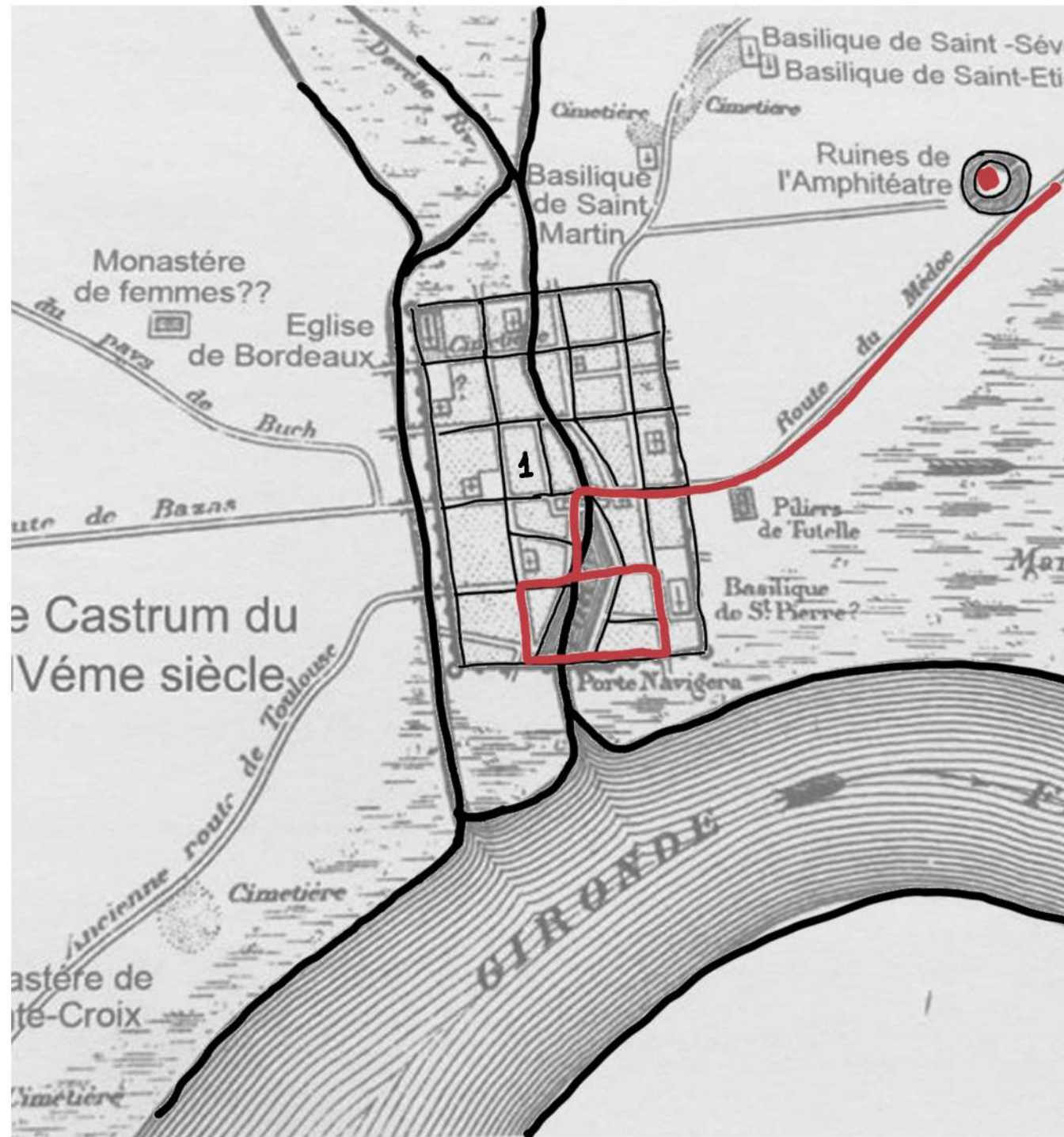
Roman / Gallo-Roman Period
(1st century BCE - 5th century CE)

Originally a Celtic settlement (Bituriges Vivisci), Bordeaux became the Roman town of Burdigala, thriving through trade and viticulture .

It was a fortified port city with a grid plan and strong infrastructure.



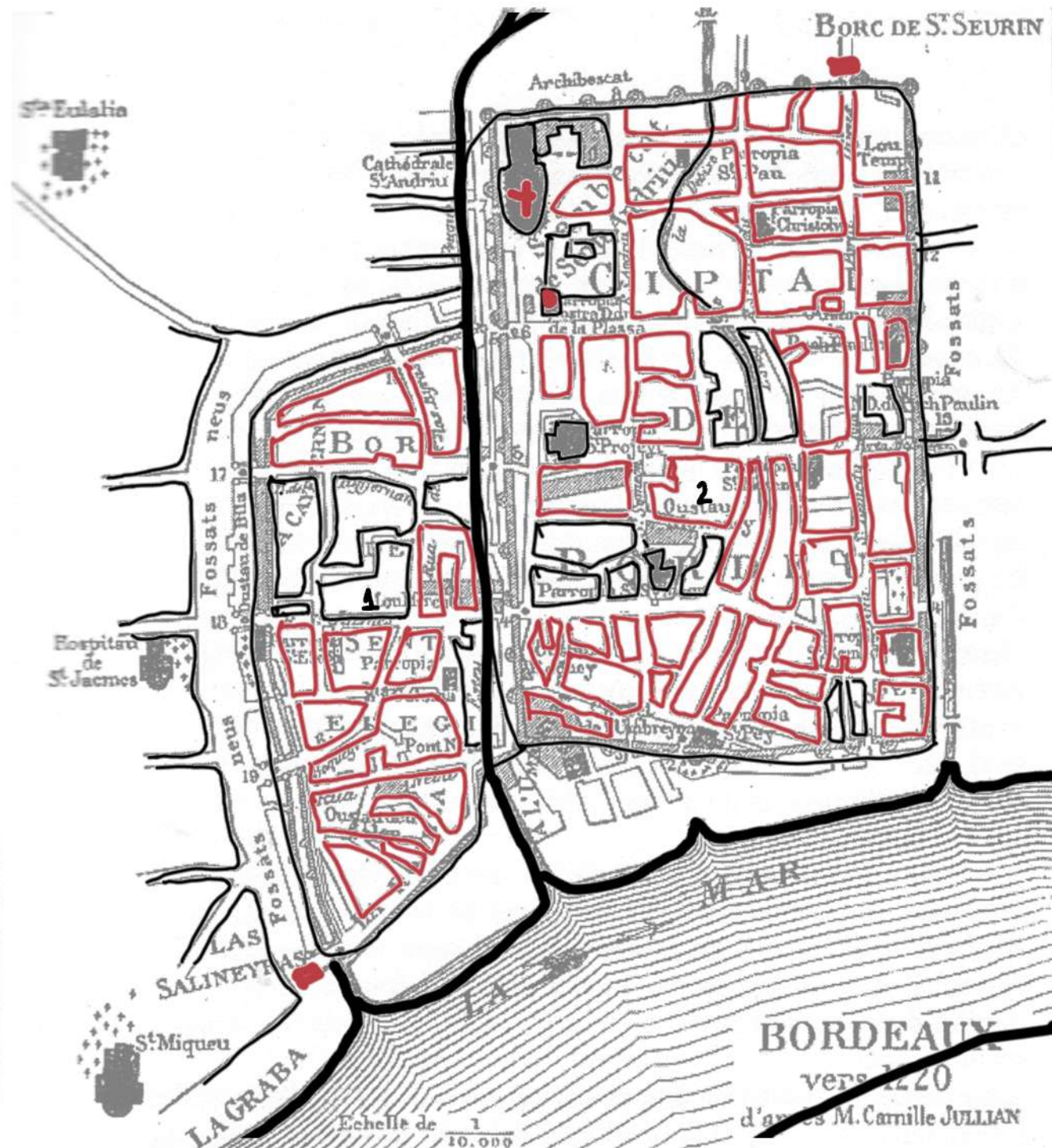
Palais Gallien



Medieval Period / English Dominion (12th - 15th centuries)

Under Eleanor of Aquitaine and later English rule, Bordeaux flourished as a wine-exporting port to England.

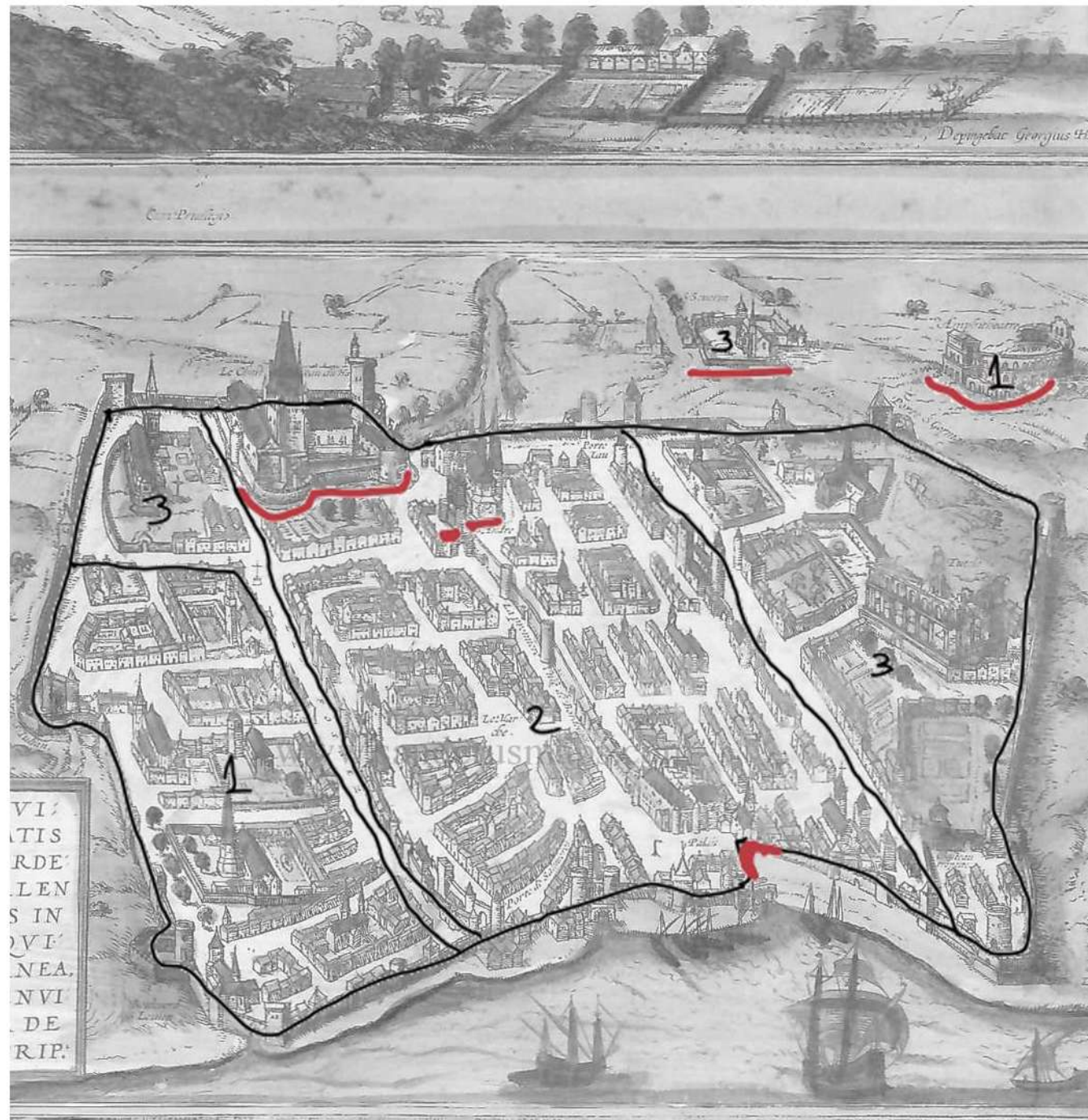
It remained within its Roman walls until the 12th century and gradually expanded afterward.



Renaissance and Early Modern Period (15th - 17th centuries)

After the Hundred Years' War, Bordeaux recovered economically. Foreign (especially Dutch and English) merchants revitalized trade and expanded viticulture. Growth of the port infrastructure; improvement of river navigation; architectural refinement in merchant buildings.

La Porte Cailhau

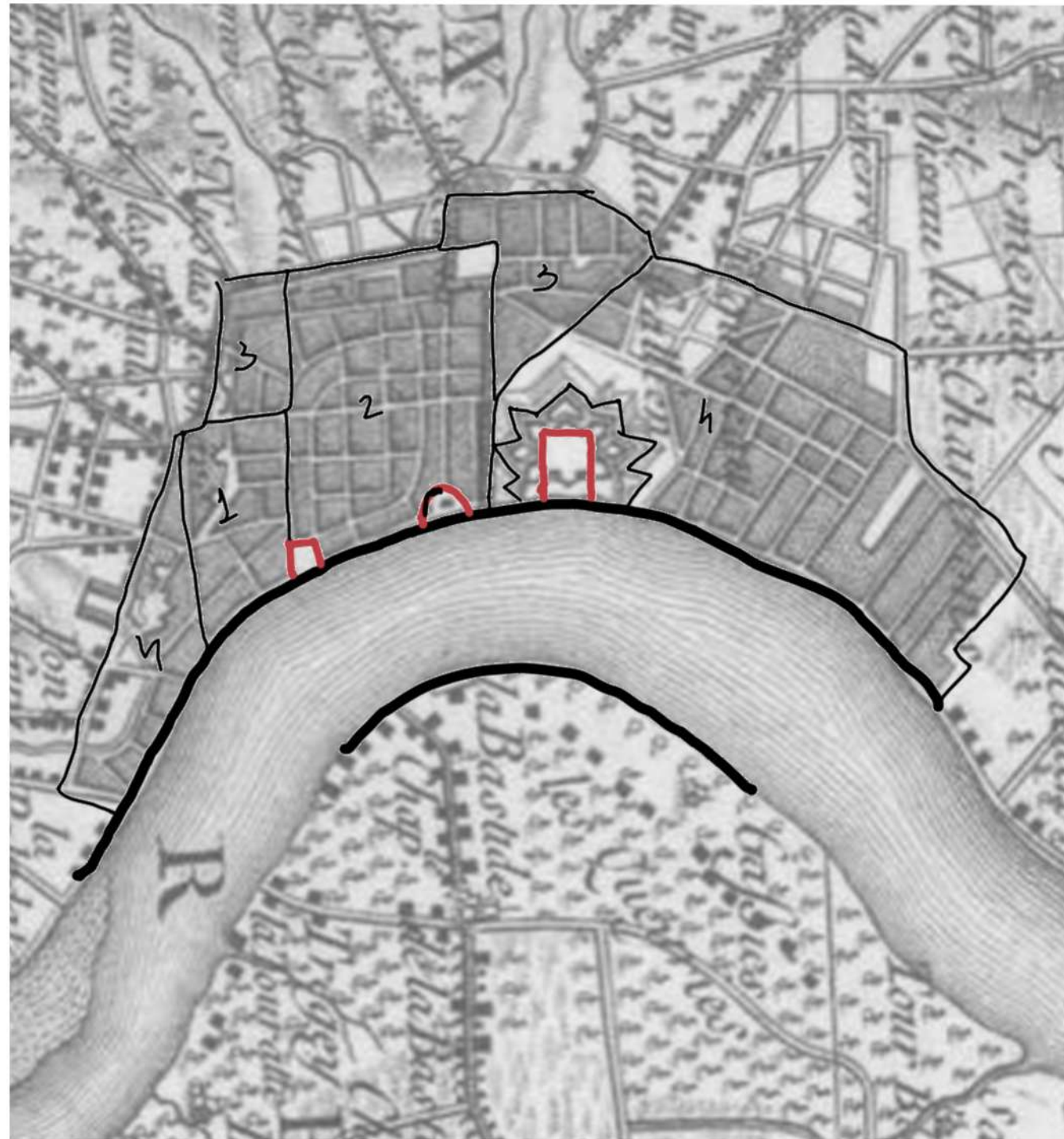


The Enlightenment (18th Century)

A golden age of prosperity and architectural transformation. Bordeaux became one of France's most beautiful and organized cities, benefiting from colonial trade and wine exports. The city's image was redefined under classical and neoclassical ideals.



Château-Trompette

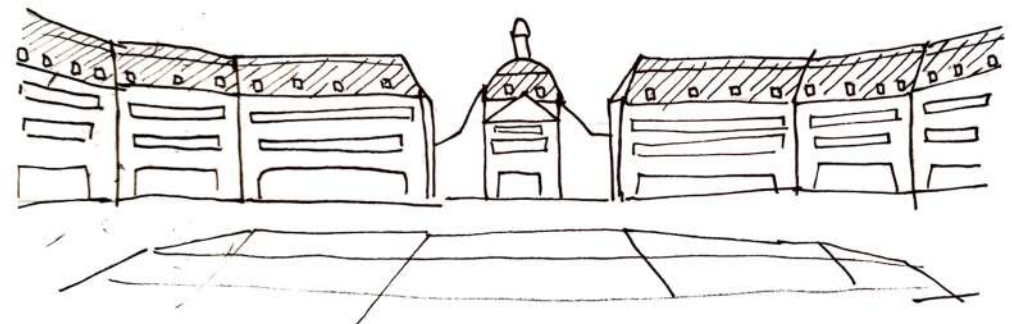
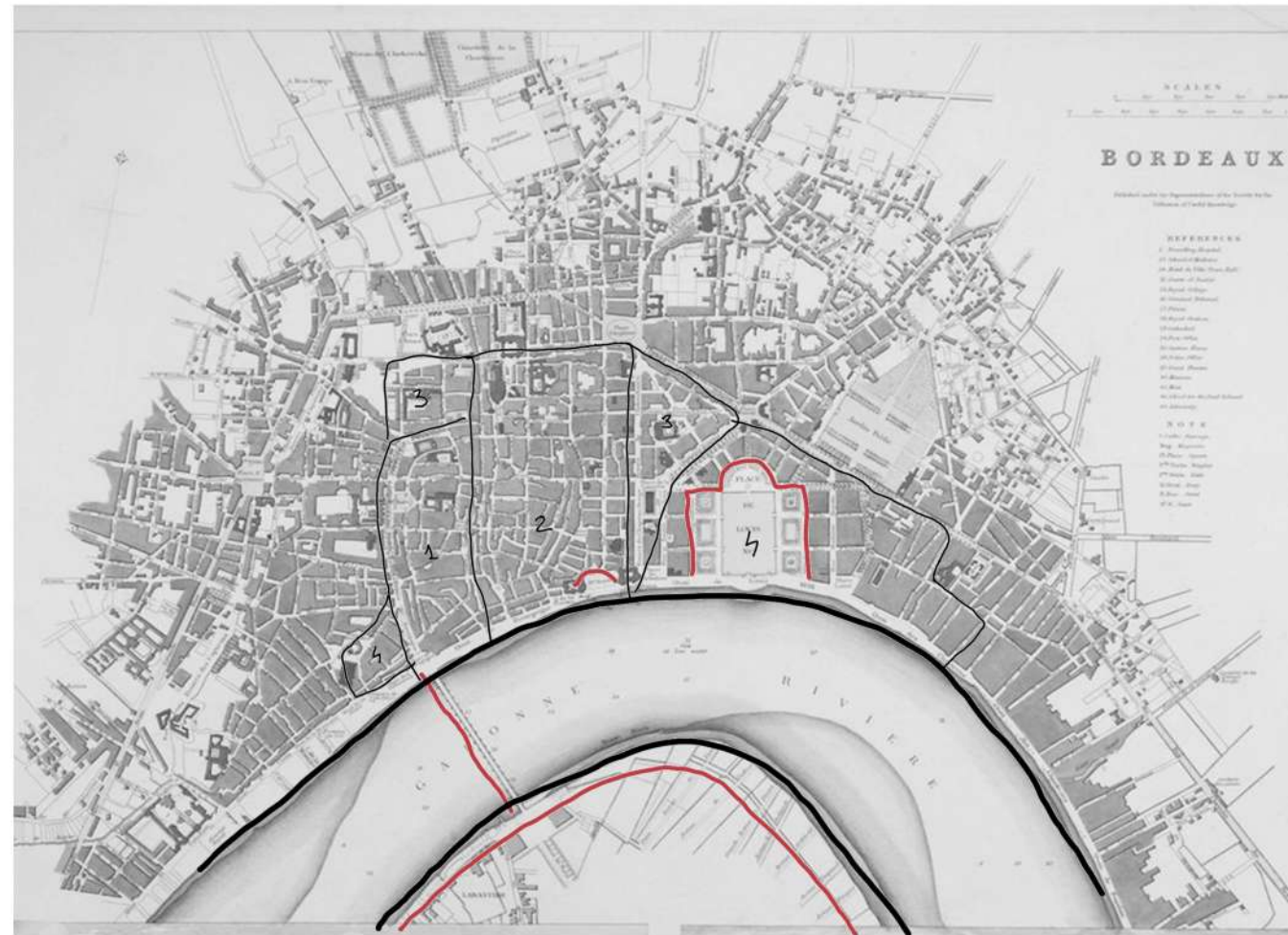


Industrial & Modern Bordeaux (19th Century)

Industrialization reshaped Bordeaux: railways, bridges, and modern port facilities. The 1855 Wine Classification established Bordeaux's global prestige. The Peugue and Devèze rivers were fully covered by mid-century.



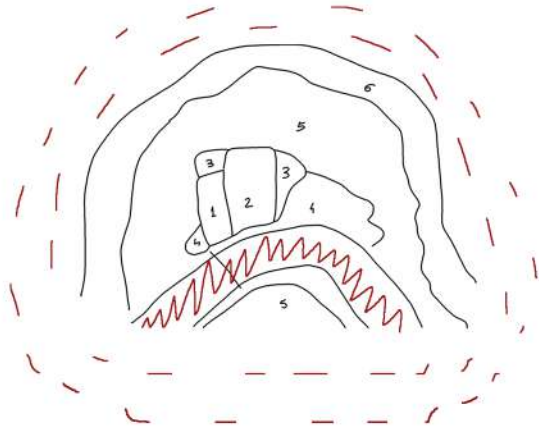
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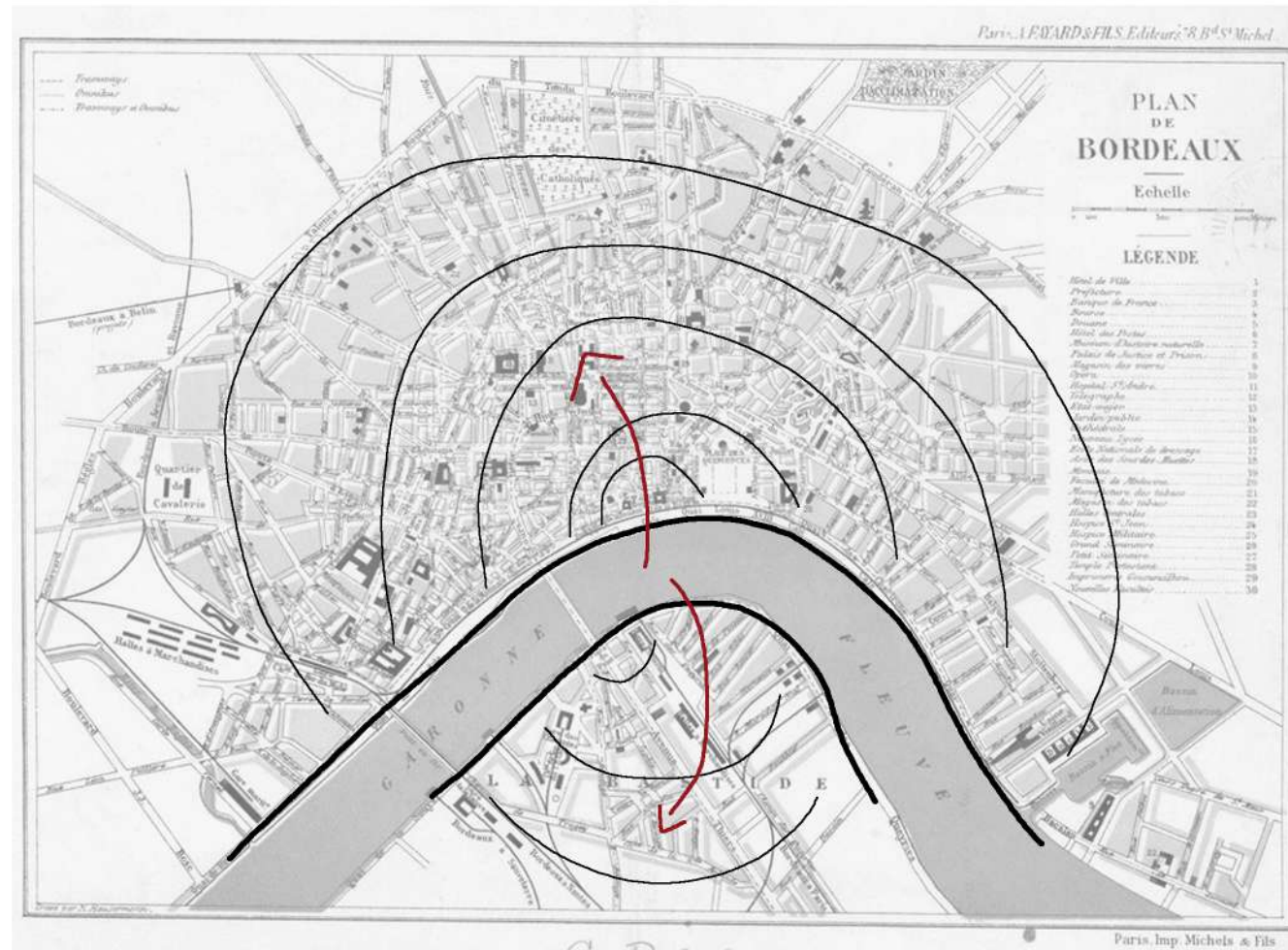
La Place de la Bourse

The 20th Century

Periods of decline and recovery due to world wars, economic fluctuations, and modernization. From the beginning, the Garonne River was the driving force behind the city's development, which therefore expanded concentrically in direct relation to it.



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