## Willa of Tuscany

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**Willa**, known as Willa of Tuscany, was the daughter of Boso, Margrave of Tuscany and his wife Willa of Burgundy. [1] She was the wife and queen consort of Berengar II of Italy. She was the mother of Adalbert, Guy, Conrad and Rozala of Italy.

She mistreated Adelaide of Italy when Berengar held her captive for several months in 951. The chronicler Liutprand of Cremona, raised at the court at Pavia, gives several particularly vivid accounts<sup>[2]</sup> of Willa's character in *Antapodosis*.<sup>[3]</sup> After Berengar's deposition, she was held captive in a German nunnery.

## **Notes**

- 1. Detlev Schwennicke, Europäische Stammtafeln: Stammtafeln zur Geschichte der Europäischen Staaten, Neue Folge, Band II (Marburg, Germany: J. A. Stargardt, 1984), Tafel 59
- 2. Antapodosis ("Book of Retributions") III.1; IV.11-12; V.32.

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Page of the Vita Mathildis. From left to right: on top: Tedaldus marchio (Tedald of Canossa) and his wife Guillia comitissa (Willa of Tuscany). On the bottom: Tedaldus eps. (possibly the same as above), Bonifacius (Boniface of Tuscany, Tedald's son) and Chonradus (possibly Emperor Conrad).

Spouse(s) Berengar II of Italy

**Noble family** House of Boso

**Father** Boso, Margrave of Tuscany

**Mother** Willa of Burgundy

**Born** 911 or 912

Arles

**Died** 970

Bamberg

3. http://www.lancaster.ac.uk/staff/haywardp/hist424/seminars/Liudprand.htm

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