

The Roman Army from Hadrian to Constantine

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the year ad 122 was the first time a roman emperor had set foot in the province of britannia since the invasion in ad 43 no doubt he had read many reports concerning the damage caused by marauding tribesmen crossing from what is now scotland into the province hadrian therefore decided in the words of his biographer to build a wall to separate the romans from the barbarians this engaging work from author michael simkins explores in depth the organisation equipment weapons and armour of the roman army from hadrian to constantine one of the most exciting periods in roman history

An Introduction to the Roman Military

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follows the military lives of three soldiers across the roman world providing interesting historical insight into the roman military from the late republic to the end of antiquity in the west this book introduces readers to three historical roman soldiers titus pullo from the late republic aurelius polion from the high imperial era and flavius aemilianus from late antiquity the three men inspire the themes and chronological organization of the text drawing on a wide and diverse body of evidence the author charts their lives from enlistment to death or retirement allowing students to envision the life of a roman soldier who is on duty or experiencing adventures across the roman world an introduction to the roman military from marius 100 bce to theodosius ii 450 ce starts with a historical overview before introducing readers to the roman soldier it covers such things as the military hierarchy soldierly origins recruitment and training and the soldier s appearance and identity the next section looks at the roman military during war its environment strategies campaigns and enemies their existence during times of peace follows that and focuses on how soldiers celebrated victory mourned defeat and readjusted to civilian life after a war the book also features a timeline for readers to follow as well as two glossaries one filled with roman military terms and the other with important names and events authentically captures the experiences of roman soldiers educates undergraduate or graduate students on roman military history describes roman soldiers based on legal epigraphic and archaeological evidence emphasizes the human side of the roman military moves through three roman historical periods the late republic high imperial and late antiquity an introduction to the roman military is an engaging choice as a text for specific courses on the roman military or army it is also suitable for more general courses covering ancient warfare in addition to university students researchers and history enthusiasts will have the opportunity to follow the military lives of three roman soldiers with this unique book

Roman Army Units in the Eastern Provinces (1)

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between the reigns of augustus and septimius severus the eastern provinces of the roman empire frequently saw brutal fighting most notably during the conquest of dacia by trajan the suppression of the great revolt in judea and intermittent clashes with rome s great rival parthia in these wars roman soldiers had to fight in a range of different climates and terrains from the deserts of the middle east to the islands of the eastern mediterranean using full colour artwork this book examines the variation of equipment and uniforms both between different military units and in armies stationed in different regions of the empire using evidence drawn from recent archaeological finds it paints a vivid portrait of roman army units in the eastern provinces in the first two centuries of the imperial period

Republican Roman Warships 509-27 BC

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the birth of the mighty roman navy was anchored in the romans extraordinary ability to absorb and perfect the technology of other states and empires this is the story of the design development and operation of the republican roman warship in the age of the conquest of the mediterranean from the first roman naval adventure of 394 bc and the punic wars to pompey s operations against the cilician pirates and caesar s victorious naval campaigns in armorica concluding with the consolidation of the mediterranean sea as mare nostrum with the battle of actium in 31 bc archaeological photography including those of exciting new finds such as the roman warship rosta rams found in the aegates islands accompany lavish artistic reconstructions in illustrating the ships of the first roman navy

Sassanian Elite Cavalry AD 224-642

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the sassanians ruled the last great imperial empire of persia before the arab conquests of the 7th century rome s only equal in the classical world the sassanian empire had an enormous impact on the development of architecture mythology arts music military tactics and technology within the sassanian military the cavalry was the most influential element and sassanian cavalry tactics were adopted by the romans arabs and turks their cavalry systems of weaponry battle tactics tamgas medallions court customs and costumes influenced romano byzantine and medieval european culture and this book allows the reader to see how a little studied eastern power affected the development of cavalry traditions in the western world

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