

Roman Timeline Outline

B.C.	EVENT
753	Rome founded; reign of Romulus begins
716 – 673	Reign of Numa Pompilius
672 – 641	Reign of Tullus Hostilius
642 – 617	Reign of Ancus Marcius
616	Reign of Tarquinius Priscus begins
c. 600	Tarquinius Priscus drains the forum; Earliest known Latin inscriptions
579	Reign of Servius Tullius
543	Reign of Tarquinius Superbus
509	Expulsion of Tarquins (monarchy comes to an end); wars with Etruscans
c. 500	Wars with Lars Porsenna
494	Class struggle between plebeians and patricians begins
458	Dictatorship of Cincinnatus
450	First Roman code of law: The Twelve Tables
390	Gallic Invasion
343 – 341	1 st Samnite War
340 – 338	Latin Wars
326 – 304	2 nd Samnite War
312	Appian Way (<i>regina longarum viarum</i>) constructed
298 – 290	3 rd Samnite War
287	Class struggle between plebeians and patricians comes to an end
282 – 272	Wars with Pyrrhus
c. 280	First known coinage
272	Rome wins control of Italy
264 – 241	1 st Punic War; Rome wins Sicily, Corsica, and Sardinia
247	Birth of Hannibal Barca
236	Birth of Publius Cornelius Scipio
228	Death of Hamilcar Barca
218	2 nd Punic War begins
December 17, 217	Saturnalia festival is established
215 – 205	1 st Macedonian War
214 – 212	Siege of Syracuse; Archimedes Death Ray
October 19, 202	Battle of Zama
201	2 nd Punic War ends; Spain becomes a Roman province

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200 – 196	2 nd Macedonian War
192 – 188	Seleucid War
172 – 168	3 rd Macedonian War
150	4 th and final Macedonian War begins
149	3 rd Punic War begins
148	Macedonia becomes a Roman Province; end of 4 th Macedonian War
February, 146	Rome destroys Carthage and Corinth on the same day. This brings the Punic Wars and the Macedonian Wars to a final end.
135 – 132	1 st Servile War (slave revolt)
133	Tiberius Gracchus becomes tribune
123 – 122	Gaius Gracchus conducts reforms as tribune
112 – 105	Jugurthine Wars
107 – 86	Marius elected consul 7 times
100	Julius Caesar born
91 – 87	Social War; Rome extends Roman citizenship to all of Italy
88 – 85	1 st Mithridatic War
82 – 79	Dictatorship of Sulla
73 – 71	Spartacus leads the 3 rd Servile War
73 – 63	3 rd Mithridatic War
64	Pompey captures Jerusalem
63	Cicero wins consulship; Conspiracy of Cataline
60	1 st Triumvirate formed: Caesar, Pompey, Crassus
58 – 50	Gallic Wars
55	Theatre of Pompey built
55 & 54	Caesar's expeditions to Britain
October 2, 52	Final battle for Alesia; defeat of Vercingetorix
49 – 45	Rome's Civil War; dictatorship of Julius Caesar
August, 48	Caesar defeats Pompey at Battle of Pharsalus
September, 48	Caesar arrives in Egypt
June 23, 47	Birth of Caesarion (Ptolemy XV), son of Caesar and Cleopatra, Queen of Egypt
46	Caesar's forum built
46 – 44	Cleopatra lives at Caesar's estate in Rome
44	Caesar appointed Dictator for Life
March 15, 44	Caesar assassinated in Theatre of Pompey