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Why Rome Fell W. W. Norton & Company

On March 15th, 44 BC a group of senators stabbed Julius Caesar, the dictator of Rome. By his death, they hoped to restore Rome's Republic. Instead, they unleashed a revolution. By December of that year, Rome was plunged into a violent civil war. Three men--Mark Antony, Lepidus, and Octavian--emerged as leaders of a revolutionary regime, which crushed all opposition. In time, Lepidus was removed, Antony and Cleopatra were dispatched, and Octavian stood alone as sole ruler of Rome. He became Augustus, Rome's first emperor, and by the time of his death in AD 14 the 500-year-old republic was but a distant memory and the birth of one of history's greatest empires was complete. Rome's Revolution provides a riveting narrative of this tumultuous period of

change. Historian Richard Alston digs beneath the high politics of Cicero, Caesar, Antony, and Octavian to reveal the experience of the common Roman citizen and soldier. He portrays the revolution as the crisis of a brutally competitive society, both among the citizenry and among the ruling class whose legitimacy was under threat. Throughout, he sheds new light on the motivations that drove men to march on their capital city and slaughter their compatriots. He also shows the reasons behind and the immediate legacy of the awe inspiring successful and ruthless reign of Emperor Augustus. An enthralling story of ancient warfare, social upheaval, and personal betrayal, *Rome's Revolution* offers an authoritative new account of an epoch which still haunts us today.

How Rome Fell Harper Collins

The death of the Roman

Empire is one of the perennial mysteries of world history. Now, in this groundbreaking book, Peter Heather proposes a stunning new solution: Centuries of imperialism turned the neighbors Rome called barbarians into an enemy capable of dismantling an Empire that had dominated their lives for so long. A leading authority on the late Roman Empire and on the barbarians, Heather relates the extraordinary story of how Europe's barbarians, transformed by centuries of contact with Rome on every possible level, eventually pulled the empire apart. He shows first how the Huns overturned the existing strategic balance of power on Rome's European frontiers, to force the Goths and others to seek refuge inside the Empire. This prompted two generations of struggle, during which new barbarian coalitions, formed in response to Roman hostility, brought the Roman west to its knees. The Goths first destroyed a Roman army at the battle of Hadrianople in 378, and went on to sack Rome in 410. The Vandals spread devastation in Gaul and Spain, before conquering North Africa, the breadbasket of the Western Empire, in 439. We then meet Attila the Hun, whose reign of terror swept from Constantinople to Paris, but whose death in 453 ironically precipitated a final desperate phase of Roman collapse, culminating in the Vandals' defeat of the massive Byzantine Armada: the west's last chance for survival. Peter Heather convincingly argues that the Roman Empire was not on the brink of social or moral collapse. What brought it to

an end were the barbarians. Historical Dynamics W. W. Norton & Company What caused the fall of Rome? Since Gibbon's day scholars have hotly debated the question and come up with the answers ranging from blood poisoning to immorality. In recent years, however, the most likely explanation has been neglected: was it not above all else a military collapse? Professor Ferrill believes it was, and puts forth his case in this provocative book.

The History of Rome: Rise and Fall of the Empire Yale University Press

A definitive history of the great commanders of ancient Rome, from

bestselling author Adrian Goldsworthy. “ In his elegantly accessible style, Goldsworthy offers gripping and swiftly erudite accounts of Roman wars and the great captains who fought them. His heroes are never flavorless and generic, but magnificently Roman. And it is especially Goldsworthy's vision of commanders deftly surfing the giant, irresistible waves of Roman military tradition, while navigating the floating logs, reefs, and treacherous sandbanks of Roman civilian politics, that makes the book indispensable not only to those interested in Rome and her battles, but to anyone who finds it astounding that military men, at once driven and imperiled by the odd and idiosyncratic ways of their societies, can accomplish

great deeds. ” —J. E. Lendon, author of **Soldiers and Ghosts: A History of Battle in Classical Antiquity** **Why Rome Fell** Oxford University Press

An entertaining and informative look at the unique culture of crime, punishment, and killing in Ancient Rome In Ancient Rome, all the best stories have one thing in common—murder. Romulus killed Remus to found the city, Caesar was assassinated to save the Republic. Caligula was butchered in the theater, Claudius was poisoned at dinner, and Galba was beheaded in the Forum. In one 50-year period, 26 emperors were murdered. But what did killing mean in a city where gladiators fought to the death to sate a crowd? In **A Fatal Thing Happened**

on the Way to the Forum, Emma Southon examines a trove of real-life homicides from Roman history to explore Roman culture, including how perpetrator, victim, and the act itself were regarded by ordinary people. Inside Ancient Rome's darkly fascinating history, we see how the Romans viewed life, death, and what it means to be human. Marriage, Sex and Death W W Norton & Company Incorporated

Mirroring the social and political upheaval following the fall of Nazism, Koeppen offers the story of four members of a German family reunited by chance

in the decaying
beauty of postwar
Rome.

*A Fatal Thing
Happened on the Way
to the Forum* John
Wiley & Sons

In September 1943,
the German army
marched into Rome,
beginning an
occupation that
would last nine
months until Allied
forces liberated
the ancient city.
During those 270
days, clashing
factions -- the
occupying Germans,
the Allies, the
growing resistance
movement, and the
Pope -- contended
for control over
the destiny of the
Eternal City. In
The Battle for

Rome, Robert Katz
vividly recreates
the drama of the
occupation and
offers new
information from
recently
declassified
documents to
explain the
intentions of the
rival forces. One
of the enduring
myths of World War
II is the legend
that Rome was an
"open city," free
from military
activity. In fact
the German
occupation was
brutal, beginning
almost immediately
with the first
roundup of Jews in
Italy. Rome was a
strategic prize
that the Germans

and the Allies fought bitterly to win. The Allied advance up the Italian peninsula from Salerno and Anzio in some of the bloodiest fighting of the war was designed to capture the Italian capital. Dominating the city in his own way was Pope Pius XII, who used his authority in a ceaseless effort to spare Rome, especially the Vatican and the papal properties, from destruction. But historical documents demonstrate that the Pope was as concerned about the Partisans as he was about the Nazis, regarding the Partisans as harbingers of Communism in the Eternal City. The Roman Resistance was a coalition of political parties that agreed on little beyond liberating Rome, but the Partisans, the organized military arm of the coalition, became increasingly active and effective as the occupation lengthened. Katz tells the story of two young Partisans, Elena and Paolo, who fought side by side, became lovers, and later played a central

role in the most significant guerrilla action of the occupation. In retaliation for this action, the Germans committed the Ardeatine Caves Massacre, slaying hundreds of Roman men and boys. The Pope's decision not to intervene in that atrocity has been a source of controversy and debate among historians for decades, but drawing on Vatican documents, Katz authoritatively examines the matter. Katz takes readers into the occupied city to witness the desperate efforts of the key actors: OSS undercover agent Peter Tompkins, struggling to forge an effective spy network among the Partisans; German diplomats, working against their own government to save Rome even as they condoned the Nazi repression of its citizens; Pope Pius XII, anxiously trying to protect the Vatican at the risk of depending on the occupying Germans, who maintained order by increasingly draconian measures; and the U.S. and British commanders, who disagreed about the best way to

engage the enemy, turning the final advance into a race to be first to take Rome. The Battle for Rome is a landmark work that draws on newly released documents and firsthand testimony gathered over decades to offer the finest account yet of one of the most dramatic episodes of World War II. *The Fall of the Roman Empire* Hachette UK

The gripping story of how the end of the Roman Empire was the beginning of the modern world The fall of the Roman Empire has long been considered one of the greatest

disasters in history. But in this groundbreaking book, Walter Scheidel argues that Rome's dramatic collapse was actually the best thing that ever happened, clearing the path for Europe's economic rise and the creation of the modern age. Ranging across the entire premodern world, *Escape from Rome* offers new answers to some of the biggest questions in history: Why did the Roman Empire appear? Why did nothing like it ever return to Europe? And, above all, why did Europeans come to dominate the world? In an absorbing narrative that begins with ancient Rome but

stretches far beyond dominant view of this it, from Byzantium to period today is that China and from the 'fall of Rome' Genghis Khan to was a largely Napoleon, Scheidel peaceful transition shows how the demise to Germanic rule, and of Rome and the the start of a enduring failure of positive cultural empire-building on transformation. Bryan European soil Ward-Perkins launched an economic encourages every transformation that reader to think again changed the continent by reclaiming the and ultimately the drama and violence of world. the last days of the

The seven kings of Roman world, and
Rome Yale University reminding us of the Press very real horrors of Why did Rome fall? barbarian occupation. Vicious barbarian Attacking new sources invasions during the with relish and fifth century making use of a range resulted in the of contemporary cataclysmic end of archaeological evidence, he looks at the world's most both the wider powerful explanations for the civilization, and a disintegration of the 'dark age' for its Roman world and also conquered peoples. the consequences for Or did it? The

the lives of everyday Romans, in a world of economic collapse, marauding barbarians, and the rise of a new religious orthodoxy. He also looks at how and why successive generations have understood this period differently, and why the story is still so significant today.

Are We Rome? Yale University Press

This eBook edition of "The History of Rome" has been formatted to the highest digital standards and adjusted for readability on all devices. Content: The Principate The Joint Government of the Princeps and Senate The Family of Augustus and His Plans to Found a Dynasty Rome and Parthia The Winning and Losing of Germany

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learning that would	record of Western
create the	civilization --
conditions that	copying manuscripts
allowed Ireland to	of Greek and Latin
become "the isle of	writers, both pagan
saints and	and Christian,
scholars"—and thus	while libraries and
preserve Western	learning on the
culture while	continent were
Europe was being	forever lost—they
overrun by	brought their
barbarians. In this	uniquely Irish
entertaining and	world-view to the
compelling	task. As Cahill
narrative, Thomas	delightfully
Cahill tells the	illustrates, so
story of how Europe	much of the
evolved from the	liveliness we
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Rome to the	medieval culture
medieval era.	has its roots in
Without Ireland,	Ireland. When the

seeds of culture
were replanted on
the European
continent, it was
from Ireland that
they were
germinated. In the
tradition of
Barbara Tuchman's *A Distant Mirror*, How
The Irish Saved
Civilization
reconstructs an era
that few know about
but which is
central to
understanding our
past and our
cultural heritage.
But it conveys its
knowledge with a
winking wit that
aptly captures the
sensibility of the
unsung Irish who
relaunched
civilization.
The Eternal Decline

and Fall of Rome New
York, Harper
What actions are
justified when the
fate of a nation
hangs in the
balance, and who can
see the best path
ahead? Julius Caesar
has led Rome
successfully in the
war against Pompey
and returns
celebrated and
beloved by the
people. Yet in the
senate fears
intensify that his
power may become
supreme and threaten
the welfare of the
republic. A plot for
his murder is
hatched by Caius
Cassius who
persuades Marcus
Brutus to support
him. Though Brutus
has doubts, he joins
Cassius and helps

organize a group of conspirators that assassinate Caesar on the Ides of March. But, what is the cost to a nation now erupting into civil war? A fascinating study of political power, the consequences of actions, the meaning of loyalty and the false motives that guide the actions of men, Julius Caesar is action packed theater at its finest.

How Rome Fell Palala Press

The sequel to the acclaimed trilogy that joins the myths and legends of ancient Britain and ancient Greece

The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire
Volume 8 University of Michigan Press

"Life, Death, and Entertainment in the Roman Empire gives those who have a general interest in Roman antiquity a starting point informed by the latest developments in scholarship for understanding the extraordinary range of Roman society. Family structure, gender identity, food supply, religion, and entertainment are all crucial to an understanding of the Roman world. As views of Roman history have broadened in recent decades to encompass a wider range of topics, the need has grown for a single volume that can offer a starting point for all these diverse subjects, for readers

of all backgrounds."--Page 4 of cover.

Rome's Revolution

Random House

Learn why the Roman Republic collapsed -- and how it could have continued to thrive -- with this insightful history from an award-winning author. In *Mortal Republic*, prize-winning historian Edward J. Watts offers a new history of the fall of the Roman Republic that explains why Rome exchanged freedom for autocracy. For centuries, even as Rome grew into the Mediterranean's premier military and political power, its governing institutions, parliamentary rules, and political customs successfully fostered negotiation and compromise. By the

130s BC, however, Rome's leaders increasingly used these same tools to cynically pursue individual gain and obstruct their opponents. As the center decayed and dysfunction grew, arguments between politicians gave way to political violence in the streets. The stage was set for destructive civil wars -- and ultimately the imperial reign of Augustus. The death of Rome's Republic was not inevitable. In *Mortal Republic*, Watts shows it died because it was allowed to, from thousands of small wounds inflicted by Romans who assumed that it would last forever.

The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire

Macmillan
The leading ancient world historian and author of Caesar presents "an engrossing account of how the Roman Empire grew and operated" (Kirkus). Renowned for his biographies of Julius Caesar and Augustus, Adrian Goldsworthy turns his attention to the Roman Empire as a whole during its height in the first and second centuries AD. Though this time is known as the Roman Peace, or Pax Romana, the Romans were fierce imperialists who took by force vast lands stretching from the Euphrates to the Atlantic coast. The Romans

ruthlessly won peace not through coexistence but through dominance; millions died and were enslaved during the creation of their empire. Pax Romana examines how the Romans came to control so much of the world and asks whether traditionally favorable images of the Roman peace are true. Goldsworthy vividly recounts the rebellions of the conquered, examining why they broke out, why most failed, and how they became exceedingly rare. He reveals that hostility was just one reaction to the arrival of Rome and that from the outset, conquered peoples collaborated, formed

alliances, and joined by English invaders, causing resistance movements to fade away.

The Fall of the Roman Empire Anchor

The author discusses how the Roman Empire--an empire without a serious rival--rotted from within, its rulers and institutions putting short-term ambition and personal survival over the wider good of the state.

History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire

Simon and Schuster

Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire

Vol. 1 by Edward Gibbon

The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire was written by historian Edward Gibbon and published in six volumes, covering the period of the Roman Empire after Marcus Aurelius, from 180 to 1453, concluding in 1590. They take as their material the behavior and decisions that led to the decay and eventual fall of the Roman Empire in the East and West, offering an explanation for why the Roman Empire fell. This work stands as a major literary achievement of the 18th century because it was adopted as a model

for the
methodologies of
modern historians.

Julius Caesar Simon
and Schuster

Through a look at the
family, this book
discusses the
intersections between
Roman and Christian
legal culture,
thought, and political
power after the
collapse of the Roman
Empire.

The Fall Of The West
Oxford University
Press

Shows how Europe's
barbarians,
strengthened by
centuries of contact
with Rome on many
levels, turned into
an enemy capable of
overturning and
dismantling the
mighty Empire.