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In April 44 BC the eighteen-year-old Gaius Octavius landed in Italy and launched his take-over of the Roman world. Defeating first Caesar's assassins, then the son of Pompey the Great, and finally Antony and the Egyptian queen Cleopatra, he dismantled the old Republic, took on the new name "Augustus," and ruled forty years more with his equally remarkable wife Livia. *Caesar's Legacy* grippingly retells the story of Augustus' rise to power by focusing on how the bloody civil wars which he and his soldiers fought transformed the lives of men and women throughout the Mediterranean world and beyond. During this violent period citizens of Rome and provincials came to accept a new form of government and found ways to celebrate it. Yet they also mourned, in literary masterpieces and stories passed on to their children, the terrible losses they endured throughout the long years of fighting.

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<i>AE</i>	<i>L'année épigraphique</i>
Broughton <i>MRR</i>	T. Broughton, <i>The Magistrates of the Roman Republic</i> (New York and Atlanta, 1951–86)
<i>CAH</i>	<i>The Cambridge Ancient History</i> (Cambridge, 1923–)
<i>CIE</i>	<i>Corpus Inscriptionum Etruscarum</i> (Leipzig, 1893–)
<i>CIL</i>	<i>Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum</i> (Berlin, 1863–)
Courtney <i>FLP</i>	E. Courtney, <i>The Fragmentary Latin Poets</i> (Oxford, 1993)
<i>CVAr</i>	A. Oxé, <i>Corpus Vasorum Arretinorum</i> (Bonn, 1968)
<i>EAA</i>	R. Bianchi Bandinelli, ed., <i>Enciclopedia dell'arte antica</i> (Rome, 1958–)
<i>Epist. Graec.</i>	R. Hercher, <i>Epistolographi Graeci</i> (Paris, 1873)
<i>FGrH</i>	F. Jacoby, <i>Die Fragmente der griechischen Historiker</i> (Berlin, 1923–)
<i>FIRA</i>	S. Riccobono et al., <i>Fontes Iuris Romani Anteiustiniani</i> , 2nd edn. (Florence, 1940–43)
<i>IDidyma</i>	A. Rehm, <i>Didyma 2: Die Inschriften</i> (Berlin 1958)
<i>IG</i>	<i>Inscriptiones Graecae</i> (Berlin, 1873–)
<i>IGRR</i>	R. Cagnat et al., <i>Inscriptiones Graecae ad Res Romanas Pertinentes</i> (Paris, 1906–27)
<i>IK</i>	<i>Inschriften griechischer Städte aus Kleinasien</i> (Bonn, 1972–)

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<i>ILS</i>	H. Dessau, <i>Inscriptiones Latinae Selectae</i> (Berlin, 1892–1916)
<i>LTUR</i>	E. Steinby, ed., <i>Lexicon Topographicum Urbis Romae</i> (Rome, 1993–2000)
<i>Milet</i>	<i>Milet: Ergebnisse der Ausgrabungen und Untersuchungen seit dem Jahre 1899</i> (1906–)
Mommsen <i>GS</i>	T. Mommsen, <i>Gesammelte Schriften</i> (Berlin, 1905–13)
<i>OCD</i>	S. Hornblower and A. Spawforth, <i>The Oxford Classical Dictionary</i> , 3rd edn. (Oxford, 1996)
<i>OLD</i>	P. Glare, ed., <i>Oxford Latin Dictionary</i> (Oxford, 1982)
Otto	A. Otto, <i>Die Sprichwörter und sprichwörtlichen Redensarten der Römer</i> (Leipzig, 1890)
Peter <i>HRR</i>	H. Peter, <i>Historicorum Romanorum Reliquiae</i> (Leipzig, 1906–14)
<i>RDGE</i>	R. Sherck, <i>Roman Documents from the Greek East: Senatus Consulta and Epistulae to the Age of Augustus</i> (Baltimore, 1969)
<i>RE</i>	A. von Pauly et al., <i>Real-Encyclopädie der klassischen Altertumswissenschaft</i> (Stuttgart, 1893–)
Reynolds <i>Aphrodisias</i>	J. Reynolds, <i>Aphrodisias and Rome</i> (JRS Monographs No. 1: London, 1982)
<i>Roman Statutes</i>	M. Crawford, ed., <i>Roman Statutes</i> (BICS Supplement No. 64: London, 1996)
<i>RPC</i>	A. Burnett et al., <i>Roman Provincial Coinage</i> (London, 1992–)
<i>RRC</i>	M. Crawford, <i>Roman Republican Coinage</i> (Cambridge, 1974)
Schürer-Vermes-Millar	E. Schürer, <i>The History of the Jewish People in the Age of Jesus Christ (175 BC–AD 135)</i> , revised and edited by G. Vermes and F. Millar (Edinburgh, 1973–87)
<i>SEG</i>	<i>Supplementum Epigraphicum Graecum</i>
Syme <i>RP</i>	R. Syme, <i>Roman Papers</i> (Oxford, 1979–91)
<i>TLL</i>	<i>Thesaurus Linguae Latinae</i> (Leipzig, 1900–)