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# The Gallic War: Seven Commentaries On The Gallic War With An Eighth Commentary By Aulus Hirtius (Oxford World's Classics)



Caesar The Gallic War A new translation by Carolyn Hammond

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### Synopsis

The Gallic War, published on the eve of the civil war which led to the end of the Roman Republic, is an autobiographical account written by one of the most famous figures of European history. This new translation reflects the purity of Caesar's Latin while preserving the pace and flow of his momentous narrative of the conquest of Gaul and the first Roman invasions of Britain and Germany. Detailed notes, maps, a table of dates, and glossary make this the most useful edition available. About the Series: For over 100 years Oxford World's Classics has made available the broadest spectrum of literature from around the globe. Each affordable volume reflects Oxford's commitment to scholarship, providing the most accurate text plus a wealth of other valuable features, including expert introductions by leading authorities, voluminous notes to clarify the text, up-to-date bibliographies for further study, and much more.

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I read Caesar with rather more reverence and respect than one feels in reading human works...the only thing to be said against him is that he speaks too sparingly of himself. \* Montaigne \*

Text: English (translation) Original Language: Latin --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This book tells us the Europe has been at war with itself for at least 2000 years. There is not much

hope then, I afraid.

Quality book. Takes you right into the era. I have a complete different view on how the Romans were able to expand their empire now. I followed up with Ceasar's civil war.

# ALWAYS WANTED TO READ THIS BOOK, OUTSTANDING FEEL OF ROMAN MILITARY ACTION.

Very readable and interesting. although the geography in Caesar's time is often hard to follow.

There is a mistake on page XX in the introduction. it is discussing the size and divisions of the Roman army and in reference to the maniple, says they are composed of "zoo men." I think the author may have meant '200 men.' The front matter is pretty good in giving one a decent understanding of the book, but the actual translation isn't much different than some of the free ones I've read.

Interesting that it was Patton's favorite book. It gives an insight intoleadership in battle.

#### Bought it for my son

A solid, understandable translation of this important work, without being overly pedantic (something rare in classical literature).

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