

The Histories

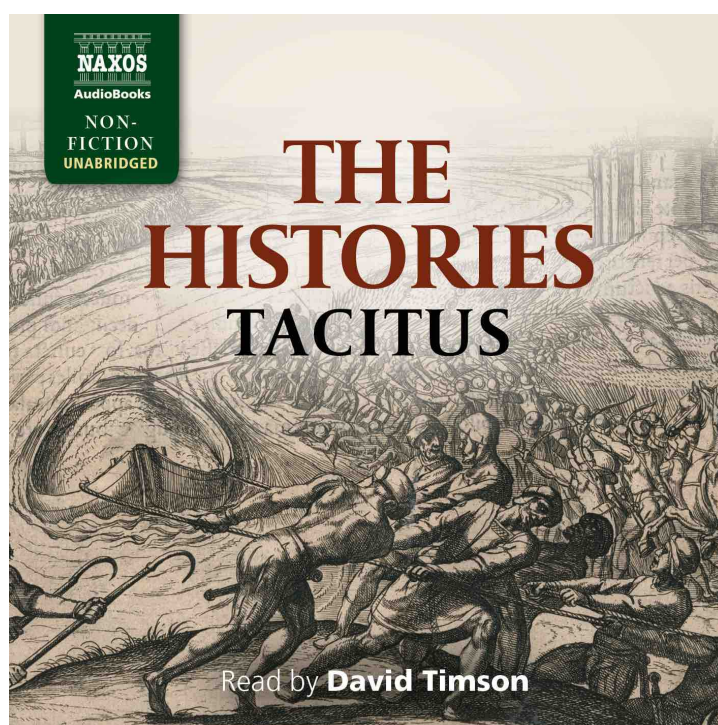
By Tacitus
Unabridged
Read by David Timson

DESCRIPTION

The Roman historian Tacitus was a successful politician who eventually became Governor of the province of Asia. He is thought to have died around AD 120 and benefitted from the patronage of the Flavian Emperors. The *Histories*, of which only just over four out of 14 books survive, covers the years following the assassination of the Emperor Nero: Rome was plunged into further civil war with the Year of the Four Emperors (AD 69) and culminated in the accession of Vespasian, the first of the Flavians. Notwithstanding his proximity to the ruling family, Tacitus regretted Rome's development from republic to empire - which is especially evident in his *Annals*. The *Histories* is a fascinating close-up account of a critical period in Roman history.

SALES AND MARKETING POINTS

- An ideal companion audiobook to Tacitus's *Annals*, published earlier by Naxos AudioBooks.
- Tacitus is known for his ironic style - Racine lauded him as 'the greatest painter of antiquity'.
- Read by David Timson, acclaimed for his reading of Gibbon's *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*.



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