

HIGHLY ABBREVIATED OUTLINE OF ROMAN HISTORY

4/21/753 BCE: Rome Founded by Romulus & Remus (descendants of Aeneas through their mother Rhea Silvia)

509: Etruscan Monarchy expelled; Republic founded

Expansion

500-338: Phase 1: Incremental Expansion in Latium—Sack of Veii (396)

338-264: Phase 2: Expansion in Italy—Tarentum surrenders (272)

264-202: Phase 3: Expansion in W. Mediterranean (Punic Wars I & II)

202-133: Phase 4: Expansion in E. Mediterranean—Sack of Carthage and Corinth (146)

133-31: Murder of Ti. Gracchus; Civil Unrest & Wars in the East

90-88: Italian or Social Wars

80s: Purges and military coups wrack Rome, culminating in Sulla's Terror (82)

10/15/70: Vergil born

63: Catilinarian Conspiracy

49-45: Caesar's Civil War against Pompey, Cato, Metellus and senatorial partisans

48: Caesar defeats Pompey @ Pharsalus; **46:** Caesar defeats Cato @ Thapsus

3/15/44: Assassination of Caesar

42: Anthony & Octavius defeat Brutus & Cassius @ Philippi

37: Anthony marries Cleopatra

31: Octavian defeats Anthony and Cleopatra @ Actium

27: Octavian granted title "Augustus"

9/21/19: Vergil dies; posthumous editing of Aeneid

18: Social legislation of Augustus enacted

14 CE: Augustus dies.