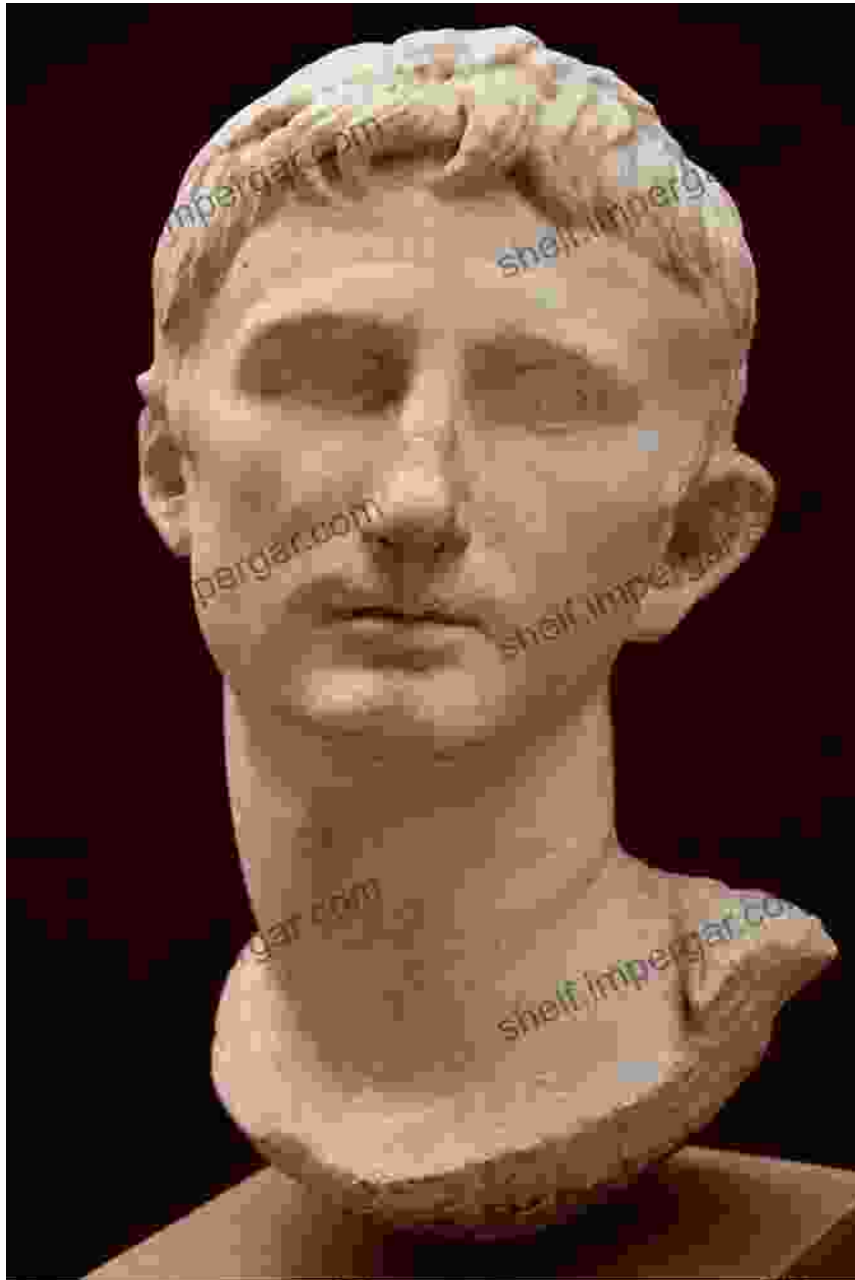


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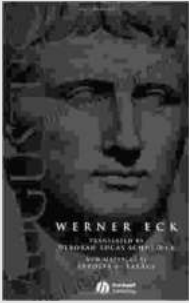
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In "The Age of Augustus," classicist and historian Anthony Everitt draws on ancient sources and modern scholarship to present a vivid portrait of this influential figure. Everitt's book is a comprehensive exploration of Augustus' life and times, from his early years as a military commander to his rise to power and his long reign as emperor.

Early Life and Career

Augustus was born Gaius Octavius in 63 BCE. He was the grandnephew of Julius Caesar, and after Caesar's assassination in 44 BCE, Octavius became his adopted son and heir. Octavius quickly rose to power, and in 27 BCE he was granted the title of Augustus by the Roman Senate. This title gave him supreme power over the Roman Empire.

The Roman Empire

Under Augustus, the Roman Empire reached its peak. He expanded the empire's borders, reformed the government, and promoted peace and prosperity. Augustus also commissioned many public works, including the Colosseum and the Pantheon.

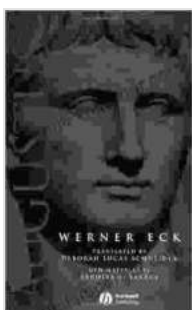
The Augustan Age

The reign of Augustus is often referred to as the "Augustan Age." This period was a time of great cultural and intellectual achievement. Virgil, Horace, and Ovid were just a few of the many poets and writers who flourished during this time.

Augustus' Legacy

Augustus died in 14 CE. He was succeeded by his adopted son, Tiberius. Augustus' legacy is complex and controversial. He was both a brilliant statesman and a ruthless dictator. However, there is no doubt that he was one of the most influential figures in Roman history.

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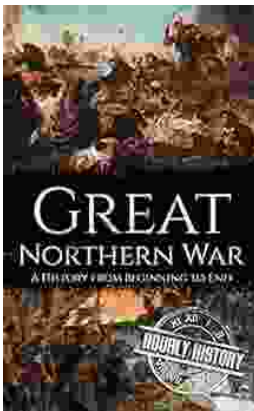
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