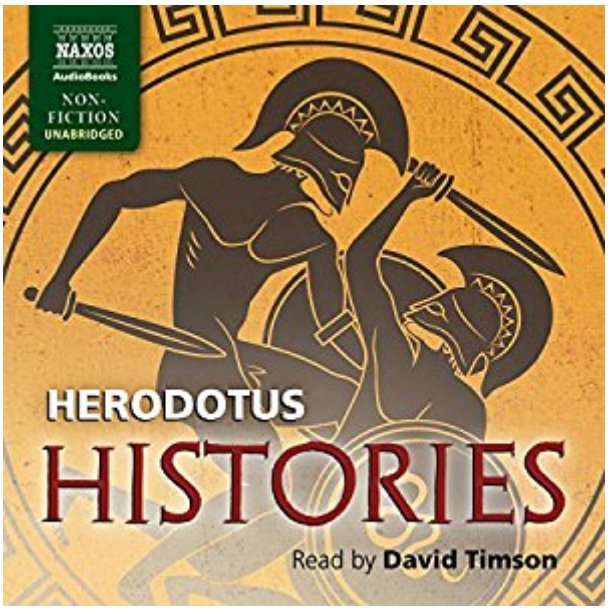
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## Synopsis

In this, the first prose history in European civilization, Herodotus describes the growth of the Persian Empire with force, authority, and style. Perhaps most famously, the book tells the heroic tale of the Greeks' resistance to the vast invading force assembled by Xerxes, king of Persia. Here are not only the great battles - Marathon, Thermopylae, and Salamis - but also penetrating human insight and a powerful sense of epic destiny at work.

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## Customer Reviews

Herodotus tells many stories of the wars waged by people on each other in the Middle East and Mediterranean areas. The invasion of the Greek Islands by the Persians is the focus the final part of this history - in which the various Hellenic tribes successfully repulsed Xerxes and his massive army and navy.Herodotus was a gifted writer whose style is reminiscent of Homer's - sans all the flights of fancy. He is known as the father of historical writing as he recorded what happened accurately and without literary embellishment.I found this history entertaining, as well as informative reading.

The Kindle edition of this book is the G. C. Macaulay translation.

This is a book that is nearly two thousand years old. It survived the destruction of the Roman Empire and the Dark Ages. "The Histories" survived because it is so well written. While listening to this book, I was often times taken a back by the sheer power of Tacitus' prose. His descriptions of the follies of civil war are as memorable as any of Goya's Caprichos. Tacitus was a master of scorn.

"The Histories" vividly personifies Roman characteristics like dignitas and gravitas. If all this were not enough, Blackstone Audio uses a classically trained English actor as the narrator. It was almost like listening to Masterpiece Theater. This is a great book and it is beautifully read. It does not get much better. Highly recommended.

The Histories, though written two thousand years ago exposes the reader to all the intrigue, infamy, courage and the intellect of the time's Patrician nobility. I would liken it to another book " Advise and Consent", complete with all the back room dealings typical of politics.

interesting to read the translation.

It's no wonder his work survives to this date... and for sure, beyond.I felt like I was there with the writer and walked his steps as he discovered Egypt and nearby lands.

Lots of names but otherwise easy to read.

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