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Roman Britain was the part of the island of Great Britain controlled by the Roman Empire from AD 43 until ca. AD 410.[1]. The Romans referred to the imperial province as Britannia, which eventually comprised all of the island of Great Britain south of the fluid frontier with Caledonia (Scotland). The Romans came to Britain 2000 years ago. They changed our country. The Roman Empire made its mark on Britain, and even today, the ruins of Roman buildings, forts, roads, and baths can be found all over Britain. Britain (not Scotland) was part of the Roman Empire for almost 400 years! The Roamns divided England into four areas centred by the following towns London, Cirencester, York and Lincoln.

Roman Britain, area of the island of Great Britain that was under Roman rule from the conquest of Claudius in 43 CE to the withdrawal of imperial authority by Honorius in 410 CE. Learn about the Roman system of roads and fortifications in Britain, Roman civil administration, and Romano-British art in this article. Introduction. The Roman conquest of Britain. The Roman military system in Britain. The walls of Hadrian and Antonius. Military areas. Roman army and fortifications. Roman roads. The Romans invaded Britain again in 43 AD under Emperor Claudius. The Roman invasion force consisted of about 20,000 legionaries and about 20,000 auxiliary soldiers from the provinces of the Roman Empire. Aulus Plautius led them. Roman Britain was the part of the island of Great Britain controlled by the Roman Empire from AD 43 until ca. AD 410.[1]. The Romans referred to the imperial province as Britannia, which eventually comprised all of the island of Great Britain south of the fluid frontier with Caledonia (Scotland). Britain was a significant addition to the ever-expanding Roman Empire. For decades Rome had been conquering the Mediterranean Sea - defeating Carthage in... Britain before Rome. At the time of the Roman arrival, Britain (originally known as Albion) was mostly comprised of small Iron Age communities, primarily agrarian, tribal, with enclosed settlements. Roman Britain refers to those parts of the island of Great Britain controlled by the Roman Empire between 43 and 410 C.E. The Romans referred to their province as Britannia. Prior to the Roman invasion, British Iron Age Britain already had cultural and economic links with Continental Europe, but the invaders introduced new developments in agriculture, urbanization, industry and architecture, leaving a legacy that is still apparent today. Historical records beyond the initial invasion are sparse