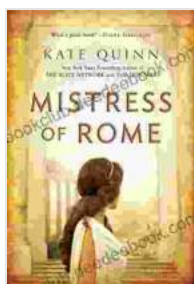


# Mistress of Rome: The Empress of Rome



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Livia Drusilla was born in 58 BC to a wealthy and influential Roman family. Her father, Marcus Livius Drusus Claudianus, was a tribune of the plebs and her mother, Aufidia, was the daughter of a consul. Livia was a beautiful and intelligent child, and she received a good education. She was married at the age of 15 to Tiberius Claudius Nero, a young man from a distinguished family. They had two sons, Tiberius and Drusus.

In 39 BC, Livia's husband was killed in battle. She was pregnant with their third child at the time, and she gave birth to a son, Claudius, shortly after her husband's death. Livia was now a widow with three young children. She was determined to protect her family and her position in Roman society.

In 38 BC, Livia married Octavian, the future emperor Augustus. Octavian was a powerful and ambitious man, and he quickly recognized Livia's intelligence and political skills. He made her his trusted advisor and confidante. Livia used her influence to promote her own interests and those of her family. She arranged marriages for her children and grandchildren that would strengthen their ties to the imperial family. She also played a role in Augustus's political decisions, and she was instrumental in securing his succession to the throne.

Livia was a controversial figure. She was accused of being ambitious and ruthless. She was also rumored to have had affairs with other men. However, there is no doubt that she was a powerful and influential woman. She was the first Roman empress, and she played a major role in the history of the Roman Empire.

### **Livia's Early Life**

Livia Drusilla was born in Rome on January 30, 58 BC. Her father, Marcus Livius Drusus Claudianus, was a tribune of the plebs and her mother, Aufidia, was the daughter of a consul. Livia was a beautiful and intelligent child, and she received a good education. She was married at the age of 15 to Tiberius Claudius Nero, a young man from a distinguished family.

Livia's early life was marked by both privilege and tragedy. Her father was a powerful and influential man, and she enjoyed a comfortable upbringing. However, her father was also a staunch opponent of Julius Caesar, and he was killed in the civil war that followed Caesar's assassination. Livia's husband was also killed in battle, and she was left a widow with three young children.

## **Livia's Marriage to Augustus**

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Livia and Augustus had a long and happy marriage. They had five children together, including two sons who would succeed Augustus as emperor. Livia was a devoted wife and mother, and she was always Augustus's most trusted advisor. She was also a shrewd politician, and she played a major role in the stability and prosperity of the Roman Empire.

## **Livia's Later Years**

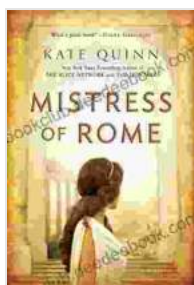
Livia lived to the age of 86. She outlived her husband by 15 years, and she remained an influential figure in Roman politics until her death. She was a patron of the arts and sciences, and she was responsible for the construction of several public buildings in Rome. She was also a generous benefactor to the people of Rome, and she was known for her kindness and compassion.

Livia Drusilla was a remarkable woman. She was beautiful, intelligent, and ambitious. She was also a devoted wife and mother, and she was a shrewd politician. She played a major role in the history of the Roman Empire, and she is remembered as one of the most powerful and influential women in Roman history.

## Legacy

Livia Drusilla is remembered as one of the most powerful and influential women in Roman history. She was the first Roman empress, and she played a major role in the history of the Roman Empire. She was a shrewd politician, a devoted wife and mother, and a generous benefactor to the people of Rome. She was also a patron of the arts and sciences, and she was responsible for the construction of several public buildings in Rome.

Livia's legacy is complex and controversial. She was a powerful and ambitious woman, and she was accused of being ruthless and manipulative. However, there is no doubt that she was a remarkable woman who played a major role in the history of the Roman Empire.



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