

[Marcus Aurelius father of Commodus Gladiator Movie](#) [Emperor Ancient Roman Coins Guide](#)

Learn about the period Marcus Aurelius came from and see a collection of ancient coins having to do with him and more in this informative guide



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Marcus Aurelius was from a time period of Roman history ruled by what is now named the Adoptive Emperors. From emperor Nerva on until Marcus Aurelius, the Roman emperors adopted as their "son" the next succeeding emperor. This era was known for immense prosperity. However, Marcus Aurelius actually broke the customs of "adopting" able administrators and instead chose his son to succeed him. This caused some issues in history as his son was not as positive for the Roman empire as his father was. This time period has been popularized by the famous Hollywood film, the Gladiator, with Russell Crowe. The fact is that Commodus did fight in the arena, and it made for an interesting story in the film. Most people don't know that coins of Marcus Aurelius and other Roman emperors and empresses can be owned almost on any budget. This guide was designed to show the "adoptive" emperors up to Marcus Aurelius and ends with his son Commodus. This gives you a very great idea of what these ancient coins looked like and the types that were available.

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NERVA 97AD Rome mint Large Quality Ancient Roman Coin Equality Cult i36440

[Nerva](#) - Roman Emperor: 96 -98 A.D. -
Bronze As 27mm (8.65 grams) Rome mint: 97 A.D.
Reference: RIC 77, S 3060

IMPNERVACAESAVGPMTRPCOSIIIPP - Laureate head right.
AEQVITASAVGVST - Aequitas standing left, holding scales and cornucopia. SC in field.



TRAJAN Makes Parthamaspates PARTHIAN King Ancient Sestertius ROMAN Coin i16812

[Trajan - Roman Emperor: 98-117 A.D.](#) -
Bronze Sestertius 34mm (21.47 grams) Rome mint: 116
A.D.

Reference: RIC II 667; BMCRE 1046; Cohen 328
IMP CAES NER TRAIANO OPTIMO AVG GER DAC PARTHICO P M TR P COS VI P P, laureate and draped bust
right, seen from behind.
REX PARTHIS DATVS, SC in exergue, Trajan seated left on platform presenting Parthamaspates to kneeling Parthian;
attendant standing behind Trajan.



HADRIAN Bisexual Emperor BIG Sestertius Ancient Roman Coin ROMA i40683

[Hadrian - Roman Emperor: 117-138 A.D.](#) Bronze
Sestertius 32mm (19.28 grams) Rome mint: 119-121
A.D.

Reference: RIC 562b; sear5 #3622; Cohen 1187.
IMP CAESAR TRAIANVS HADRIANVS AVG, laureate head right, slight drapery on left shoulder
PONT MAX T R POT COS III, SC below, Roma seated left on cuirass, holding Victory & sceptre.

Antoninus Pius Father of Marcus Aurelius 152AD Ancient Silver



Roman Coin i32084

[Antoninus Pius - Roman Emperor: 138-161 A.D.](#)

Silver Denarius 17mm (2.83 grams) Rome mint: 152 A.D.

Reference: RIC 203, BMC 762, C 196

ANTONINVS AVG PIVS P P TR P XV - Laureate head right.
COS IIII - Vesta standing left, holding simpulum and Palladium.



FAUSTINA I Sestertius 141AD HUGE Ancient Roman Coin Posthumous i27403

[Faustina I](#) - Roman Empress Wife of Roman Emperor Antoninus Pius

POSTHUMOUS After Death Christian Deification Issue.

Bronze Sestertius 33mm (25.25 grams) Struck at the mint of Rome circa 141-146 A.D.

Reference: RIC 1108 (Antoninus Pius), C 37

DIVAAVGUSTA FAVSTINA - Veiled, diademed, draped bust right.
AETERNITAS - Providentia standing left, holding globe and scepter.



ANTONINUS PIUS & MARCUS AURELIUS as CAESAR Ancient Silver Roman Coin Rare i29457

Antoninus Pius - Roman Emperor: 138-161 A.D.

Antoninus Pius and [Marcus Aurelius](#), as Caesar

Silver Denarius 19mm (3.19 grams) Rome mint: 140

A.D.

Reference: RIC 417a; sear5 #4524; BMCRE 155; RSC 15

ANTONINVS AVG PIVS P P TR P COS III, laureate head of Pius right.
AVRELIVS CAESAR AVG PII F COS, bare head of Aurelius right.

ANTONINUS PIUS & MARCUS



AURELIUS Cyprus Mint LARGE Ancient Roman Coin i46372

[Antoninus Pius - Roman Emperor: 138-161 A.D.](#)

Antoninus Pius & Marcus Aurelius

Bronze 31mm (21.30 grams) of Cyprus

Reference: Sear GIC 1523; B.M.C. 24.84,48

AVT. K. T. AIA. AΔP. ANTΩNINOC CCB. C., Laureate head of Antoninus Pius right.

M. AVPHAIOC KAICAP VIOC CCBAC, Bare-headed, draped and cuirassed bust of Marcus Aurelius right.



AELIUS CAESAR Hadrian's Successor 137AD Pannonia Ancient Roman Coin i36470

[Aelius - Roman Caesar: 136-137 A.D. -](#)

Bronze As 27mm (12.59 grams) Rome mint: 137 A.D.

Reference: RIC 1071

L AELIVS CAESAR, bare head right.

TR. POT. COS. II. PANNONIA. S.C. Pannonia, towered, standing facing, head left, holding vexillum upright, raising dress with her left hand.



MARCUS AURELIUS 162AD Sestertius Salus Authentic Ancient Roman Coin i47251

[Marcus Aurelius - Roman Emperor: 161-180 A.D. -](#)

Bronze Sestertius 32mm (25.25 grams) Rome mint: 162-163 A.D.

Reference: C 564. BMC 1038. RIC 843

IMP CAES M AVREL – ANTONINVS AVG P M Laureate head right.

SALVTI AVGVSTOR TR P XVII S – C Salus standing l., holding scepter and feeding snake twined round altar; in exergue, COS III.

LUCIUS VERUS co-emperor of Marcus Aurelius RARE Ancient



Silver Roman Coin i12318

[Lucius Verus - Roman Emperor: 161-169 A.D. -](#)

Silver Denarius 17mm (3.08 grams) Rome mint: 166 A.D.

Reference: RIC 548 (Marcus Aurelius), C 286

LVERVSAVGARMPARTHMAX - Laureate head right.

TRPVIIIMP III COS II - Parthian captive seated right, hands tied behind back, arms before.

* Numismatic Note: Historically significant type celebrating victory over Parthia.



FAUSTINA II Marcus Aurelius Wife HUGE Rare Ancient Roman Coin Fertility i16811

[Faustina II](#) - Roman Empress & Wife of Emperor

Marcus Aurelius - 161-175 A.D. -

Bronze Sestertius 31mm (30.67 grams) Rome mint: 161-

175

Reference: RIC 1638 (Marcus Aurelius), C 100

FAVSTINAAVG VSTA - Diademed, draped bust right.

FECVNDITAS - Fecunditas standing right, holding scepter and infant Commodus; SC across fields.



Faustina II wife of Marcus Aurelius Ancient Roman Coin DIANA LUNA Hope i27364

[Faustina II](#) - Roman Empress & Wife of Emperor

Marcus Aurelius - 161-175 A.D. -

Bronze As 26mm (13.15 grams) Rome mint: 161-175

A.D.

Reference: RIC 1629, Cohen 86; Sear5 5293.

FAVSTINA AVGVSTA, draped bust right

DIANA LVCIF, Diana standing right with long torch.



Faustina II Marcus Aurelius wife Silver Ancient Roman Coin Deification i31248

[Faustina II](#) - Roman Empress & Wife of Emperor
Marcus Aurelius - 161-175 A.D. -
Posthumous Issue
Silver Denarius 16mm (2.35 grams) Rome mint: 176-

180 A.D.

Reference: RIC 744 (Marcus Aurelius), S 5215, C 71
DIVAFAVSTINAPIA - Draped bust right.
CONSECRATIO - Peacock standing right.



COMMODUS son of Marcus Aurelius Ancient Silver Roman Coin Equality Cult i26701

[Commodus - Roman Emperor: 177-192 A.D.](#)
Silver Denarius 18mm (2.35 grams) Rome mint: 183-
184 A.D.

Reference: RIC 60; C. 893.

M COMMODVS ANTON AVG PIVS, laureate head right.

P M TR P VIII IMP VI COS IIII PP, Aequitas standing left with cornucopia and scales.



Commodus son of Marcus Aurelius Silver Ancient Roman Coin APOLLO LYRE i39534

[Commodus - Roman Emperor: 177-192 A.D.](#)
Son of Marcus Aurelius
Silver Denarius 18mm (2.95 grams) Rome mint Struck

circa 190-191 A.D.

Reference: RIC 218, S 5629, C 24

MCOMMANTPFELAVGBRITPP - Laureate head right.

APOLPALPMTRPXVICOSVI - Apollo standing, facing, holding plectrum and lyre on column.

CRISPINA daughter in law of



Marcus Aurelius Big Rare Ancient Roman Coin i42132

[Crispina](#) - Roman Empress: 177-183 A.D. - Wife of Commodus -
Bronze Sestertius 30mm (26.67 grams) Rome mint 178-

172 A.D.

Reference: RIC 672a (Commodus).

CRISPINA AVGVSTA, draped bust right

SALVS Exe: S-C, Salus seated left, holding patera from which she feeds snake coiled about altar, resting arm on back of chair.



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