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tranquillus the work written in ad 121 during the reign of the emperor hadrian was the most popular work of suetoni

us at that time hadrian s personal secretary and is the largest among his surviving writings it was dedicated to a friend the praetorian prefect gaius septicius clarus the lives of the twelve caesars is considered very significant in antiquity and remains a primary source on roman history the book discusses the significant and critical period of the principate from the end of the republic to the reign of domitian comparisons are often made with tacitus whose surviving works document a similar period the book can be described as racy packed with gossip dramatic and sometimes amusing there are times the author subjectively expresses his opinion and knowledge though he was never a senator suetoni

us took the side of the senate in most conflicts with the princeps as well as the senators views of the emperor that resulted in biases both conscious and unconscious suetoni

us lost access to the official archives shortly after beginning his work he was forced to rely on secondhand accounts when it came to claudius with the exception of augustus letters which had been gathered earlier and does not quote the emperor still it provides valuable information on the heritage personal habits physical appearance lives and political careers of the first roman emperors it mentions details that other sources do not for example suetoni

us is the main source on the life of caligula his uncle claudius as well as the heritage of vespasian the relevant sections of the annals by his contemporary tacitus having been lost suetoni

us made a reference in this work to chrestus which may refer to christ during the book on nero suetoni

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