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Trajans Parthian Campaign

There were few instances in which the Parthians were a serious threat to the Roman Empire; while on the other hand, the Romans were able to make significant conquests on Parthian lands. The land was established as a province, the first on the north side of the Danube. To distract Decebalus, Trajan sent a force of cavalry under his trusted lieutenant, Lusius Quietus, to cut around to the via the Vulcan Pass to the east.

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Here, as a young officer, he first gained experience in the challenges of desert warfare and the command of men. Commanded successively by Lucullus 74-66 B. He forbade the use of informers, and there were no treason trials during his years in power.

Trajan

Like Trajan, Justinian had overextended himself. This first incursion against Parthia was repulsed, notably at the 53 BC. Trajan returned to Rome victorious and celebrated by holding a series of gladiatorial contests involving 10 000 gladiators and causing deaths of at least 11 000 animals.

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