**BOOK SUMMARY**

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**TITLE : The Eagle of the Ninth**

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Discharged because of a battle wound, a young Roman officer Marcus Flavius Aquila tries to discover the truth about the disappearance of his father's legion in northern Britain. Disguised as a Greek [oculist](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oculist) and travelling beyond [Hadrian's Wall](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hadrian%27s_Wall) with his [freed](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manumission) ex-slave, Esca, Marcus finds that a demoralized and mutinous Ninth Legion was annihilated by a great rising of the northern tribes. In part, this disgrace was redeemed through a heroic last stand by a small remnant (including Marcus's father) around the legion's eagle standard. Marcus's hope of seeing the lost legion re-established is dashed, but he is able to bring back the bronze eagle so that it can no longer serve as a symbol of Roman defeat – and thus will no longer be a danger to the frontier's security.