

# „Claudius's invasions”

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# Claudius /'klo:diəs/ (10 BC – 54 AD)



- Roman emperor from 41 to 54
- After Caligula's assassination he was the last man of his family
- An efficient administrator
- An ambitious builder
- Presided at public trials
- Was murdered by his own wife (?)

Tiberius Claudius Caesar Augustus Germanicus



Map of the  
British Isles in  
AD 43



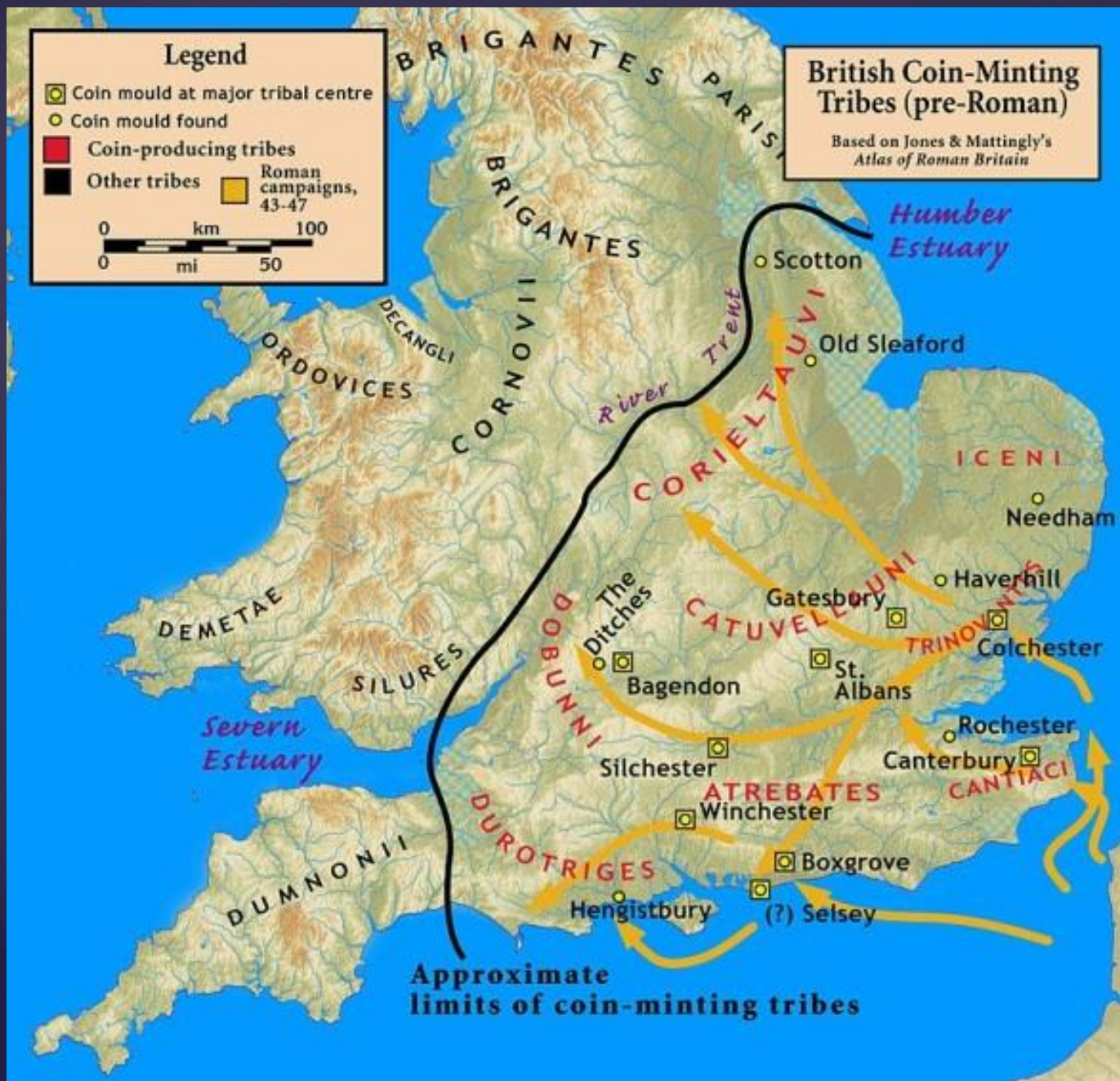
*The Roman conquest of Britain* was a gradual process, beginning effectively in AD 43 under Emperor Claudius.



Campaigns under Claudius in AD 43

Roman campaigns from AD 43 to 60





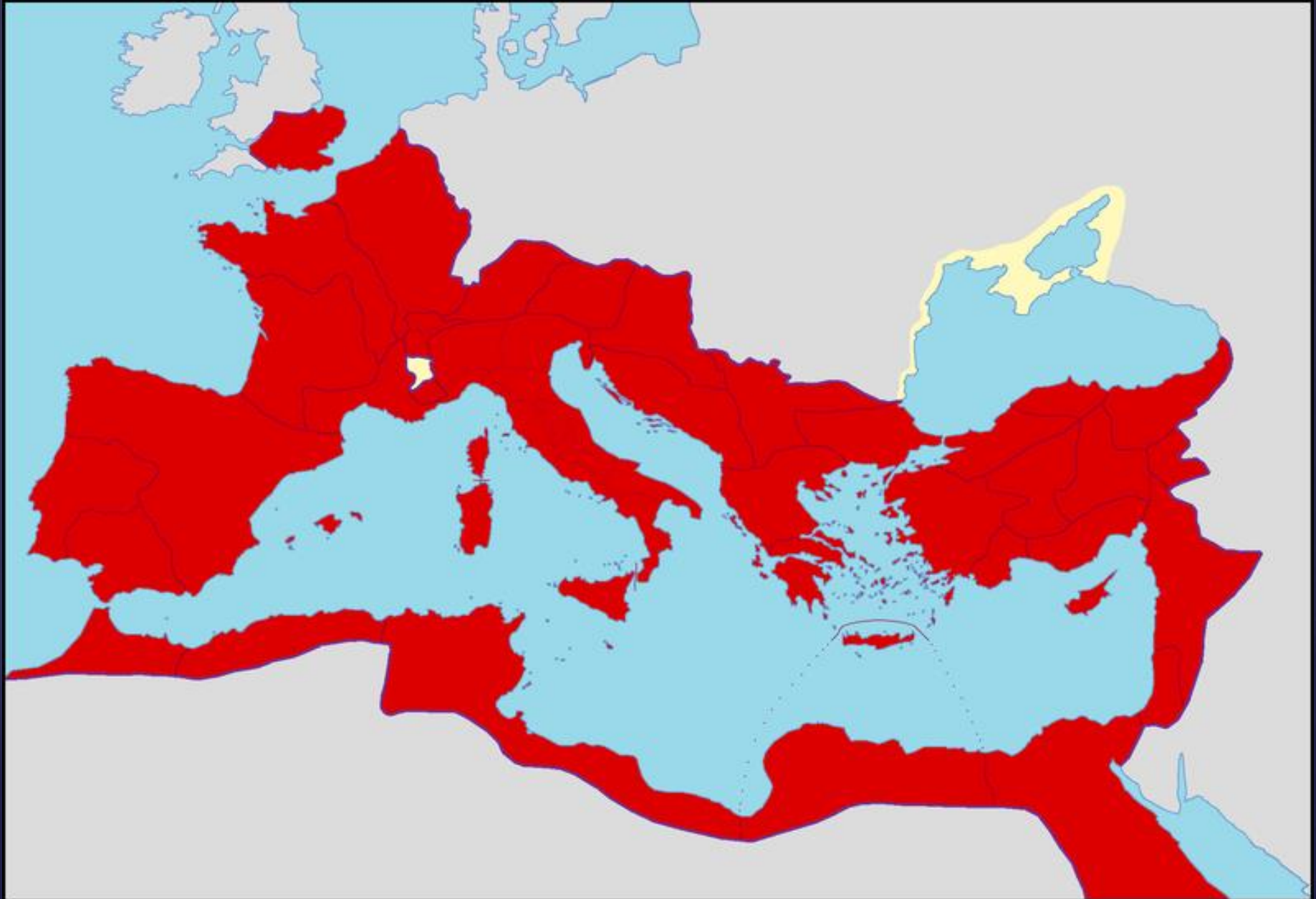
Campaigns under Aulus Plautius, focused on the commercially valuable southeast of Britain, 43-47 AD



Compare



# The Roman Empire in AD 54





# The revolt of Caratacus



Caratacus was a 1st-century AD British chieftain of the Catuvellauni tribe, who led the British resistance to the Roman conquest.

William Blake's vision of Caratacus from his series of illustrations called the Visionary Heads



# Caratacus's speech to the Romans and Claudius:

*“Had my lineage and rank been accompanied by only moderate success, I should have come to this city as friend rather than prisoner, and you would not have disdained to ally yourself peacefully with one so nobly born ... If I had surrendered without a blow before being brought before you, neither my downfall nor your triumph would have become famous. If you execute me, they will be forgotten. Spare me, and I shall be an everlasting token of your mercy”*

(Tacitus, Annals, 267)



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CARATACES AT THE TRIBUNAL OF CLAUDIUS AT ROME.

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