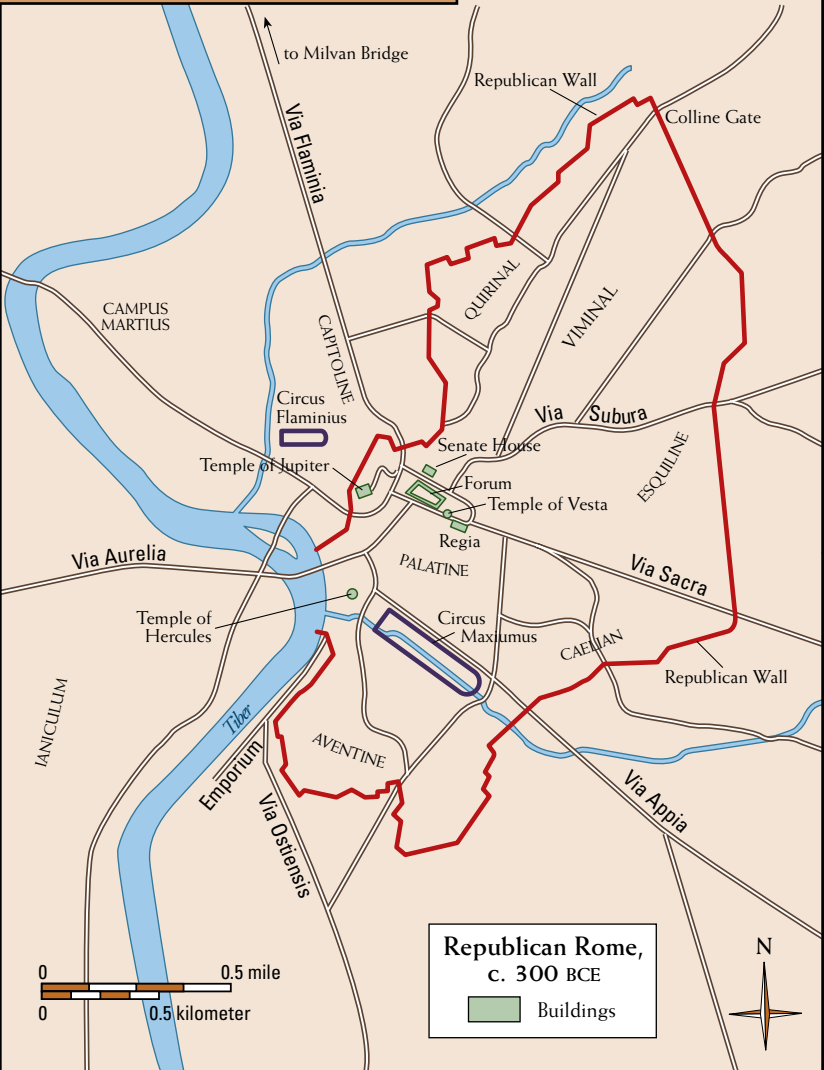


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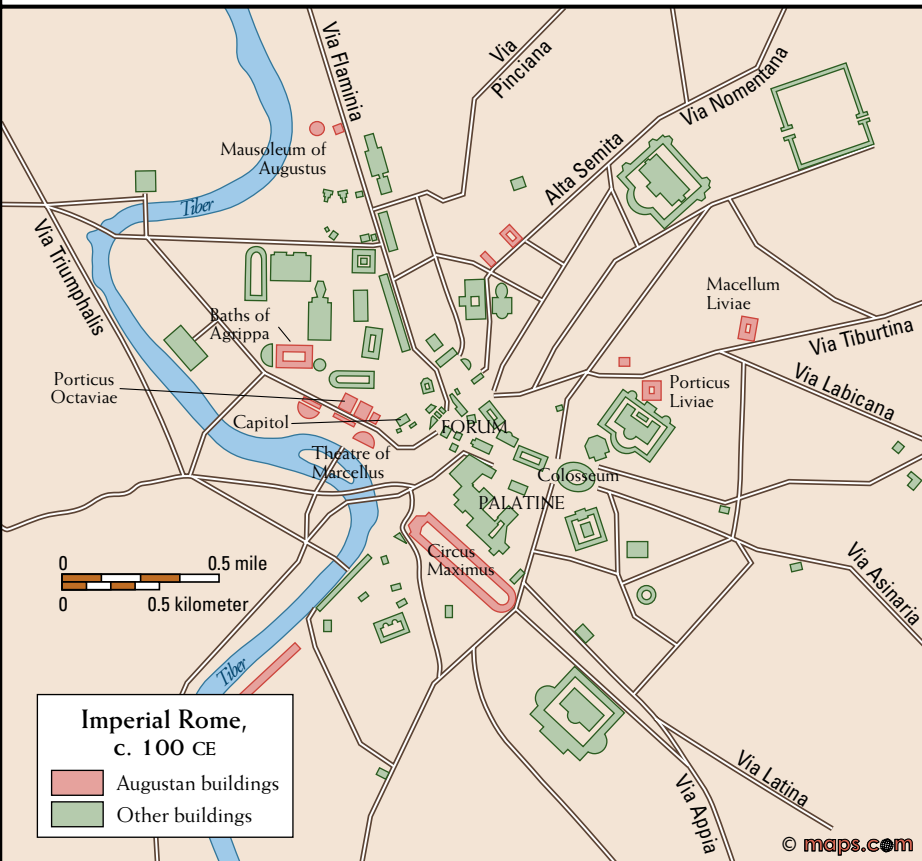


Republican Rome, c. 300 BCE
 Buildings

Rome began as a system of small settlements built on hillsides to avoid swamps and flooding. As irrigation and technology improved, the greater city was walled, allowing residents to live in relative security from both floods and invaders. The Republican period, marked by the rule of elected consuls and the advisory Senate, began in about 500 BCE. Imperial Rome, under the rule of emperors beginning with Augustus Caesar around 27 BCE, continued into the 5th century CE, but its influence and strength had begun to wane well before the year 200.



Extent of Roman Empire, 1st century CE



Imperial Rome, c. 100 CE
 Augustan buildings
 Other buildings