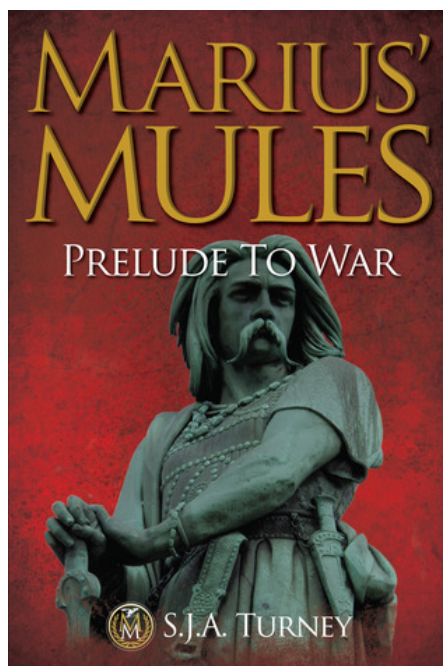




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It is the winter of 53/52BC and while Caesar struggles with the chaos of a failing republic and recruits troops in Aquileia, Gaul's freedom fighters emerge, with a desire for Roman blood.

This collection of three tales presents a sequence of events that takes place in the winter between Marius' Mules books six and seven... events that, while peripheral to the saga itself, will shape events to come, shake the republic, and herald the one thing Caesar's army have feared most: a full-scale revolt.

Cenabum: The fire arrow - Caesar's chief quartermaster, Cita, encounters trouble with supply lines.

Bovillae: The fallen eagle - Former prefect Paetus leaves Rome with revenge on his mind.

Gergovia: Rise of kings - Priscus and his companions witness tumultuous events firsthand.

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David Nelson says

Magnificent series

Read four previous books in the series...fabulous. Love stories about the Republic's final century. Great Caesar s ghost rules my imagination.

John Warren says

a little teaser before book 7 cant wait to start number 7

Jane says

These three gripping tales bridge Books VI and VII in the Marius Mules series. I chose to read each one separately at different times, not to mix them up in my mind. All three stories in one way or another unleash the final cataclysm. Subtitle sums up the overarching theme.

The first: a Roman Alamo, in which Roman army supply-line is cut at a Roman supply depot, with an O. Henry twist.

The second: violent closure to the Paetus vengeance scenario against Clodius: years in the planning, quickly and savagely executed.

The third: Prefect Priscus, hidden away with a small band of soldiers, watches Vercingetorix take over the Arverni *oppidum* at Gergovia. The enemy talk of the massacre of the supply depot within their hearing.

I enjoyed all three, which gave me a taste for the next book. Legionary Flaccus' masquerade in the third story was a note of black humor.

I thank First Reads for sending me this book.

U?ur Talay says

I am broke up to my eyeballs.

Tian Valerian says

Excellent & exciting shorts

A tie in between Marius' Mules XI & XII, so valuable to the series, but also great stories on their own.

Paul Bennett says

In this 3 story gap filler, the author is setting the stage for the big confrontation between Caesar and Vercingetorix. It is a very nice appetite whetting segue and includes some (to be expected) twists as well as tying up a loose end in the Milo/Clodius situation. I read this in one sitting and while that points to the author's ability to grab my attention, it also means I have to wait longer for the next full volume in this most excellent series. Next up – Winner Takes Gaul.

Mark Kearney says

Good prelude to the next book
