

# BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CITIES OF CLASSICAL ANTIQUITY

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The wonderful history of the most important cities of the classical era and their striking architectural monuments: the Parthenon, the Coliseum, the Daphne Forest and the Lighthouse of Alexandria

## Synopsis

*A Brief History of the Cities of Classical Antiquity* looks at the changes and transformations that Alexandria, Athens, Rome, Pergamum, Antakya, Petra, and Seleucia underwent in the period from the beginning of the first millennium B.C. to their conversion into truly world metropolises.

The author uses the history of urbanism to evaluate the contributions and footprints of each civilization in the form of architectural monuments such as the Parthenon, the Olympeion, the Daphne Forrest, the immense Taq-i Kiswa, the White Palace of Sassanid King Khosrau I, and the Lighthouse of Alexandria. He also examines the political development of each city, their urban conflicts, and their key historical figures. Lastly, the book discusses the events that led to each center's downfall in the Middle Ages period.

## Biography

**Ángel Luis Vera Aranda** has a degree in geography and history and is a tenured high school professor in geography and history. For this same Nowtilus collection, he has contributed *A Brief History of the Cities of the Ancient World* (2009).

## Sales pitch

**UNIQUE:** This book looks at the political and social development of the most important cities during the classical era of history. You will learn how they first appeared and were built and their importance in the history of urbanism.

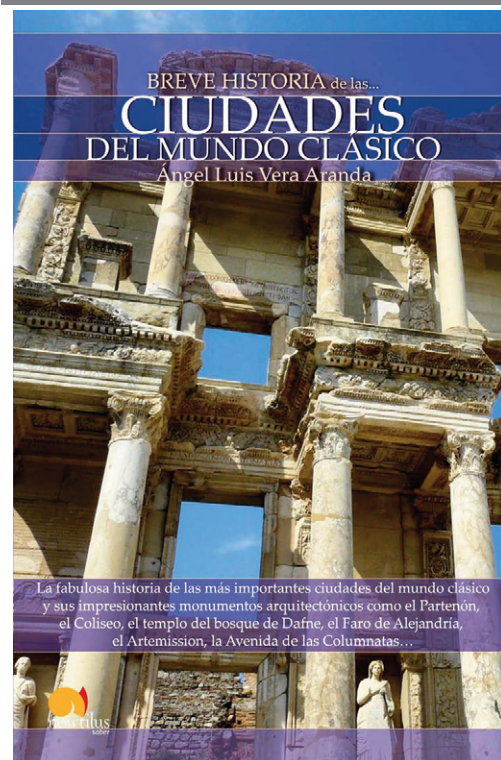
**IMPORTANT CITIES OF HISTORY:** The cities featured in this book include Alexandria, Athens, Rome, Pergamum, Antakya, Petra, and Seleucia, all of which will be analyzed historically and geographically in terms of their development, evolution and downfall.

**HISTORICAL REVISIONISM:** Here you will have the opportunity to see up close the history of cities that have nearly been forgotten with the passing of time. The book discusses their conflicts and battles, their great leaders and cultural figures, etc.

**ILLUSTRATED CONTENT:** Interesting illustrations and graphic documents help support the book's content, as well as interesting stories about the studied cities.

**EASY TO READ:** The simple writing style in combination with detailed historical documentation help make the book a fascinating and fast read.

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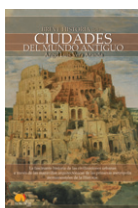


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