



AMPELIUS, LUCIUS

AMPELIUS, LUCIUS author of a short encyclopaedic work *Liber memorialis* in fifty chapters covering such diverse subjects as cosmography (and astronomy), geography and ethnography, theology and especially history. Not much is known about the author; he probably lived around the turn of the third century C.E. In some of the historical chapters, particularly 12-13 and 30-31, reference is made to Iranian, that is, mainly Achaemenid and Parthian matters. Ampelius drew most of his information on Iran from *Cornelius Nepos* and *Pompeius Trogus* (and indirectly from Herodotus).

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