Tales of the Barbarians: Ethnography and Empire in the Roman West
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DESCRIPTION

*Tales of the Barbarians* traces the creation of new mythologies in the wake of Roman expansion westward to the Atlantic, and offers the first application of modern ethnographic theory to ancient material.

- Investigates the connections between empire and knowledge at the turn of the millennia, and the creation of new histories in the Roman West
- Explores how ancient geography, local histories and the stories of wandering heroes were woven together by Greek scholars and local experts
- Offers a fresh perspective by examining passages from ancient writers in a new light

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