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ROMAN INFANTRY TACTICS?

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Abstract

The tactic of forming a shield-wall, although called by the Germanic name *fulcum* first in the sixth century *Strategicon*, has a long history of use by the Roman legions, and is a clear example of Germanic influence on Roman tactics.

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