

# Thaumastus

*For the [bishop of Mainz, martyr and saint](#), see [Theonistus](#). For the [snail genus](#), see [Thaumastus \(gastropod\)](#).*

**Thaumastus** (born c. 400)<sup>[1]</sup> was a friend and uncle of [Sidonius Apollinaris](#). His brother, the elder Apollinaris was born around 405<sup>[2]</sup> and was the [praetorian prefect of Gaul](#) under [Valentinian III](#) between 425 and 455.<sup>[3]</sup> Thaumastus and his brother were both sons of another Apollinaris, praetorian prefect of Gaul before 409<sup>[3]</sup> and were friends with his successor [Decimus Rusticus](#). Thaumastus was associated with [Tonantius Ferreolus](#) in the impeachment of [Arvandus](#).<sup>[4]</sup> He was the father of Eulalia, born in 425,<sup>[2]</sup> married before 450 to [Flavius Probus](#), Roman Senator.

He seems to be a descendant of yet another Apollinaris, [praetorian prefect of Gaul](#) under [Constantine II](#) between 337 and 340.<sup>[3]</sup>

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