

Artabanus III (c. A.D. 80 - 90)

APTANANOS

See the [genealogy chart](#).

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Coins Attributed to Artabanus III

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Sellwood Type 74



Artabanus III

AR Tetradrachm, 14.09 g

Mint/ [Seleucia](#), November, A.D. 80

Obv/ bust of king left, with long rectangular beard, hair straight, no wart

Rev/ king seated left, receiving diadem from Tyche; dated BQT [A]PELL[A] (year 392 Seleucid era); Greek inscription [B]ΑΣΙΛΕΩ[Σ] ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΝ ΑΡΣΑΚΟ[Υ] ΑΡΤΑΒΑΝΟ[Υ] ΔΙΚΑΙΟΥ [Ε]ΠΙΦΑΝ[ΟΥΣ] ΦΙΛΕΛΛΗΝΟΣ]

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- Sellwood 74.3

- Shore not listed



Artabanus III

AR Drachm

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Obv/ bust of king left, with long rectangular beard, hair straight, no wart

Rev/ beardless archer, seated right on throne, both rear legs of throne visible (? unusual); in right hand, bow; below bow [monogram 26](#); Greek inscription

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- Sellwood 74.6 variant (but two rear legs on throne)



Artabanus III

AR Drachm

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Obv/ bare-headed bust left with long square cut beard, wearing diadem with loop at the top and three ends, hair almost straight, earring visible; border of dots

Rev/ beardless archer, seated right on throne; in right hand, bow; below bow [monogram 26](#); Greek inscription

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- Sellwood 74.6



Artabanus III

AR Drachm, 3.70 g

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Obv/ bare-headed bust left with long square cut beard, wearing diadem with loop at the top and three ends, hair almost straight, earring visible; border of dots

Rev/ beardless archer, seated right on throne; in right hand, bow; below bow [monogram 26](#); Greek inscription

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- Sellwood 74.6



Artabanus III

AR Drachm, 3.83 g

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Obv/ bare-headed bust left with long square cut beard, wearing diadem with loop at the top and three ends, hair almost straight, earring visible; border of dots

Rev/ beardless archer, seated right on throne; in right hand, bow; below bow [monogram 26](#); Greek inscription

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- Sellwood 74.6



Artabanus III

AR Drachm

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Additional images/ [[large obv & rev](#)]

Obv/ bare-headed bust left with long square cut beard, wearing diadem with loop at the top and three ends, hair almost straight, earring visible; border of dots

Rev/ beardless archer, seated right on throne; in right hand, bow; below bow [monogram 26](#); Greek inscription

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- Sellwood 74.6



Artabanus III

AR Drachm, 3.55 g

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Obv/ bare-headed bust left with long square cut beard, wearing diadem with loop at the top and three ends, hair almost straight, earring visible; border of dots

Rev/ beardless archer, seated right on throne; in right hand, bow; below bow [monogram 26](#); Greek inscription

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- Sellwood 74.6



Artabanus III

AR Drachm

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Obv/ bare-headed bust left with long square cut beard, wearing diadem with loop at the top and three ends, hair almost straight, earring visible; border of dots

Rev/ beardless archer, seated right on throne; in right hand, bow; below bow [monogram 26](#); Greek inscription

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- Sellwood 74.6

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Artabanus III

AE Chalkous, 1.44 g., 9 mm, 1h axis

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Obv/ bare-headed bust left with long square cut beard, wearing diadem with loop at the top and three ends, hair almost straight, earring visible; border of dots

Rev/ three-quarter length figure of Tyche right, holding a palm branch, circular dotted border

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- Sellwood 74.9

- Shore 605



Artabanus III

AE Chalkous, 1.35 g., 9 mm

Mint/ [Ecbatana](#), undated

Obv/ bare-headed bust left with long square cut beard, wearing diadem with loop at the top and three ends, hair almost straight, earring visible; border of dots

Rev/ bust of Tyche right

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- Sellwood 74.10

- Shore 606

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