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This book chapter investigates the practice of cross-dressing by emperors in the time of the Roman Principate. It argues that cross-dressing was part of imperial self-representation and was meant to perform the super-human nature of the emperor. Such performances are investigated from the perspective of “crossing” – thus allowing to understand both their aims and their critical and negative reception in literary sources.