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Aristotle Chronology (384 - 322 BC)

Source: Durant (Chapter 2) and Wikipedia

- 384 BC (0) Born in Macedonia
Family of physicians to Royal Family
Father died when Aristotle was a child
- 366 BC (18) Goes to Athens and study under Plato for nearly 20 years in the Academy
- 348 BC (36) Plato died; Academy controlled by Speusippus.

Leaves Athens, goes to Assus / Asia Minor (Hermias of Atarneus); Travels to Island of Lesbos and research on botany, marries Pythias (Wiki)
- 343 BC (41) Called by Philip, King of Macedon, to become Tutor of Alexander (age 13), Ptolemy and Cassandra
- 341 BC (43) Tutors to Alexander ends (age 15, Alexander succeeded the throne and started conquest)
- 335 BC (50) Returns to Athens, found Lyceum.

(Writing his philosophy for 12 years)
- 323 BC (61) Alexander dies, Aristotle indicted
- 322 BC (62) Flees Athens and dies in Chalcis