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Breve chronicon de rebus Siculis
(Short chronicle of Sicilian events)
ca 1250, but subsequently extended to 1266. Sicily. The anonymous chronicle in Latin prose tells the story of the Norman and Swabian kings of Sicily from Robert Guiscard to Frederick II. The author took part in the crusade of Frederick II in 1228–29, and had personal dealings with him, but he was not active at the imperial court. The work is transmitted in 3 manuscripts: Naples, BN, VIII C 9, fol. 101r–107v; Vatican, BAV, ottob. lat. 2940, fol. 42v–48v (with a transcription of Frederick’s will in the final part); Vatican, BAV, vat. lat. 7145, fol. 1r–13r. The chronicle is untitled in the manuscripts; the modern title was first used by J.L.A. Huillard-Bréholles, who published it in his Historia Diplomatica Friderici II (1852).

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