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| **Basil I "the Macedonian"** |
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| **Basil I** |
| *Emperor of the Romans* |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/9/9f/Roman_Emperor_Basil_I.png/220px-Roman_Emperor_Basil_I.pngUnderdrawing of Basil I in the Paris Gregory, c. 879–883 |
| **Byzantine emperor** |
| **Reign** | 24 September 867 –29 August 886 |
| **Coronation** | 26 May 866 (as co-emperor) |
| **Predecessor** | [Michael III](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michael_III) |
| **Successor** | Leo VI |
| **Co-emperor** | Constantine (868–879)Leo VI (870–886)Alexander (879–886) |
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| **Born** | late 811Chariopolis, Macedonia, Byzantine Empire(now Hayrabolu, Tekirdağ, Turkey) |
| **Died** | 29 August 886 (aged 75) |
| **Consort** | Eudokia Ingerina |
| **Wives** | MariaEudokia Ingerina |
| **Issue***Among others* | ConstantineLeo VI (paternity uncertain)Patriarch Stephen I (paternity uncertain)Alexander |
| **Dynasty** | Macedonian dynasty |

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| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/4/40/KoutragonBasileiosBGhistory.jpg/220px-KoutragonBasileiosBGhistory.jpg |
| The little Basil at the court of Omurtag of Bulgaria. |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/1/12/BasileiosWrestlingMatch.jpg/250px-BasileiosWrestlingMatch.jpg |
| Basil victorious in a wrestling match against a Bulgarian champion (far left), from the *Madrid Skylitzes* manuscript |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/8/85/Coronation_of_Basil_the_Macedonian_as_co-emperor.png/250px-Coronation_of_Basil_the_Macedonian_as_co-emperor.png |
| The coronation of Basil I as co-emperor, from the *Madrid Skylitzes* manuscript |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/8/8b/Assassination_of_Michael_III.png/220px-Assassination_of_Michael_III.png |
| The murder of Michael III and the proclamation of Basil I as the new emperor |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/e/e4/Solidus-Basil_I.jpg/220px-Solidus-Basil_I.jpg |
| Gold solidus of Basil I |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/c/c7/Emperor_Basil_I_sends_a_messenger_to_the_two_magistroi.jpg/180px-Emperor_Basil_I_sends_a_messenger_to_the_two_magistroi.jpg |
| Basil I sends a messenger to the two senators. |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/3/37/MadridSkylitzesFol100vDetail.jpg/220px-MadridSkylitzesFol100vDetail.jpg |
| The Sicilian stronghold of Syracuse falls to the Arabs in 878. |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/c/c9/Byzantines_under_Nikephoros_Phokas_capture_Amantia.jpg/220px-Byzantines_under_Nikephoros_Phokas_capture_Amantia.jpg |
| The army under Nikephoros Phokas the Elder captures the city of Amantia in Italy. |
| https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/0/01/Prince_Leo_offers_a_knife_to_his_father%2C_Emperor_Basil_I.jpg/250px-Prince_Leo_offers_a_knife_to_his_father%2C_Emperor_Basil_I.jpg |
| Basil I and his son Leo. Leo is discovered carrying a knife in the emperor's presence. |
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| Basil I and his son Constantine. |
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| Basil IMacedonian DynastyBorn: c. 811 Died: 29 August 886 |
| Regnal titles |
| Preceded byMichael III | Byzantine emperor867–886,with Constantine (868–879),Leo VI (870–86) and Alexander (879–86) | Succeeded byLeo VI |
| Court offices |
| Preceded byDamian | Parakoimomenos865–866 | Succeeded byRentakios |
| Political offices |
| Preceded byMichael III in 843,then lapsed | Roman consul867 | Succeeded byLapsed,Leo VI in 887 |

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