Gods, Monsters and others



Apollo God of: light, the sun, truth, prophecy, healing, plague, music, poetry Greek name: Apollo Parents: Jupiter and Latona Spouse(s): many lovers and consorts, no spouse Symbols: laurel wreaths, raven, bow and quiver, lyre Notable myths: slaying of Python; oracle at Delphi; helping Paris slay Achilles (Iliad); murder of Cyclops



Jupiter or Jove God of: Thunder and Sky, King of the Gods Greek name: Zeus Parents: Cronus and Rhea Spouse of: Juno; lover of many mortals and immortals alike Symbols: eagle, aegis, thunderbolt, oak tree Notable myths: the legend of his birth; the Titan War; tales of his many consorts; his conflict with Prometheus



Mercury

God of: financial gain, commerce, eloquence, communication, travelers, luck, trickery and thieves

Greek name: Hermes

Parents: Jupiter and Maia

Spouse(s): Larunda

Symbols: winged hat, winged sandals, caduceus (herald's staff)
Notable Myths: theft of Apollo's cattle; slaying of Argos; assisting
Perseus slay Medusa; assisting
Odysseus with Circe



Venus

Goddess of: love, beauty, fertility,

seduction and lust

Greek name: Aphrodite

Parents: born of the sea foam

surrounding the castrated member

of Uranus

Spousep0=[;l]0[y7(s):Vulcan; also

took many lovers

Symbols: roses, myrtle (a fragrant

flower, doves and swans

Notable Myths: the unique

circumstances of her birth; offers

Helen to Paris, starting the Trojan

War; many tales of aiding seduction



Vulcan

God of: fire and volcanoes; arms

and iron

Greek name: Hephaestus

Parents: Juno and Jupiter

Spouse(s): Venus and Maia

Symbols: blacksmith's hammer

Notable Myths: cast from

Olympus by Juno; childhood with Thetis; entrapment of Juno;

smithy under Aetna



Mars

God of: war, agriculture and

virility

Greek name: Ares

Parents: Juno and Jupiter

Spouse(s): lover of Venus,

Symbols: helm and spear

Notable Myths: battles againts

the Giants and Titans; Venus'

and Mars' affair; transformation

of Cadmus and Harmonia into

serpents

Pluto

God of the Underworld and the Dead

Greek name: Hades

Parents: Cronus and

Rhea

Spouse(s): Proserpina

Symbols: horn of plenty

Notable Myths: capture

of Proserpina, interaction

with Orpheus in the

Underworld





Vesta

Goddess of hearth and home

Greek name: Hestia

Parents: Cronus and Rhea

Spouse(s): none. Virgin

goddess

Symbols: hearth fire, sacred fire

Notable Myths: Patron goddess

of Rome, not many myths

concerning her but was very

important in Roman daily life



Neptune

God of the Sea, Rivers, Flood/

Droughts and Horses

Greek name: Poseidon

Parents: Cronus and Rhea

Spouse(s): many lovers

Symbols: trident, horses

Notable Myths: Contest with

Minerva for Athens;

persecution of Odysseus

Ceres

Goddess of Agriculture, Fertility, Grain

and Bread

Greek name: Demeter

Parents: Cronus and Rhea Spouse(s): lover of Jupiter

Symbols: grains, food

Notable Myths: abduction of her

daughter by Pluto; assault by Neptune;

fertility festivals





Diana

Goddess of: the hunt, the moon, birth

Greek name: Artemis

Parents: Jupiter and Latona

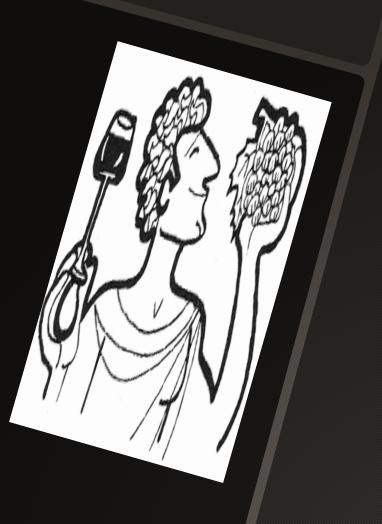
Spouse(s): None. Virgin goddess

Symbols: Golden bow and arrows, the

stag

Notable Myths: Aided mother Latona with birth of brother Apollo; transformed a spying suitor into a stag; punished Greeks after Agamemnon

boasted he could hunt better than her



Name: Bacchus

God of: Wine and Festivities

Greek name: Dionysus

Parents: Jupiter and Cybele

Spouse(s): Ariadne and many

lovers

Symbols: thyrsus (staff), drinking cup and fruiting vine

Notable Myths: birth from the thigh of Zeus, transformation of some pirates into dolphins, marriage to Ariadne after she was abandoned by Theseus



Juno Goddess of women and marriage Greek name: Hera Parents: Cronus and Rhea Spouse of: Jupiter Symbols: peacock, cow, lion Notable myths: Juno vs. Hercules; Juno vs. Semele; Juno vs.... many. Juno is a vengeful lady



Minerva

Goddess of fine arts/crafts, Wisdom, medicine, commerce, magic

Greek name: Athena

Parents: Jupiter solo

Spouse of no one. Virgin goddess

Symbols: owl, handicrafts

Notable Myths: Born of mind of Jupiter; contest with Neptune; Weaving contest with Arachne



Argos

A watchman with a hundred eyes and a hundred arms. Often hired affairs of Jupiter



Cyclops

Giants with one enormous eye in the center of their foreheads

Lawless, savage and cannibalistic beings who often worked alongside

Centaur

Beings who had the heads and torsos of men but the bodies of horses

Known to be rather unfriendly to humans, acting savage and brutal towards them





Aeolus

God of the winds. Brings forth storms and the seasons. Father of the four directional winds: Zephyr (west), Boreas (north), Notus (south) and Eurus (east)



Gorgons

Monstrous Libyan sisters With snakes for hair, broad faces, golden wings, clawed hands, flaring nostrils and tusks. The Gorgon's stare could turn one to stone



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Jones can't tell what this
is even a picture of
(sorry class)



Cerberus

A three-headed dog who guarded the realm of Hades (the Underworld). He has a serpent tail and back.



Chimera

A three headed, fire breathing monster with the foreparts of a lion, the hind parts of a goat With goat's head rising from its back and a serpent-headed tail.



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Harpies
Birds With the heads and
torsos of women, long
claws known for
tormenting King Phineas



Sirens Three-winged sea monsters whose irresistible songs lured many a sailor to his death. They were formerly the handmaidens of Proserpina



Sphinx

Creature with the head and chest of a woman, the body and legs of a lion and the wings of an eagle. If a traveller should come to pass, she would eat him or her if they could not solve her riddle.