

Greek Gods Attributes

Zeus. (Jupiter) Zeus was the god of the overthrew his Father, Cronus. He then and Hades. Zeus won the draw and He is lord of the sky and, the rain god. which he received from the Cyclopes. The woodpecker is associated with him. His



sky and ruler of the Olympian gods. He drew lots with his brothers, Poseidon became the supreme ruler of the gods. Zeus' main attribute is the Thunderbolt, Eagle is Zeus' bird, and sometimes the tree is the Oak.

Hades. God of the underworld. He the underworld, Hades. Hades is invisible and it's his most prized



symbol is three-headed dog, Cerberus, who known to own a Helmet which makes him possession. His symbol is also his two-

pronged spear, which he used as a weapon much like

Poseidon. (Neptune) | God of the sea and The Trident, which he received from the Cyclopes, is Poseidon is associated with Horses, which were first Bulls. Poseidon is also often depicted with a



Poseidon did his trident.

earthquakes Poseidon's best known attribute. tamed by him, and also with Dolphin.

Athena. (Minerva) | Goddess of wisdom, war, and crafts; patron of Athens The Aegis, usually, a goat skin, is an attribute of both Owl is Athena's bird, but sometimes she has been depicted helmet and it has been assumed that the Rooster might sacred to her. Others say that the Rooster is sacred to proclaims when he is about to rise. The gift to Athens.



Athena and Zeus. The with a Rooster on her have been considered as Helios (Sun) and Olive Tree is also sacred to her as it was her

Demeter. (Ceres) | Goddess of goddess of corn, grain, and the harvest. is Demeter that makes the crops grow harvest is sacrificed to her. Sacred to her are livestock and agricultural products, the poppy and the narcissus flowers and the crane. Demeter has been represented holding sheaves of Corn and Grain, Poppies, and Snakes. She is the goddess of farmers.



agriculture and fertility. Demeter is the She is the daughter of Cronus and Rhea. It each year. The first loaf of bread from the

Hera. (Juno) | Goddess of marriage; wife of Zeus to Hera. The Pomegranate also has appeared as an role as an ancient Death-goddess. The Cuckoo is because when Zeus was in love with Hera, he She has also been associated with the Cow and the



The peacock was the bird sacred attribute of Hera, perhaps in her also a bird sacred to Hera changed himself into a Cuckoo. Lion.

Hestia. really of the



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Aphrodite. (Venus) | Goddess of love and beauty
The Rose and the Myrtle are sacred to Aphrodite and said to be connected with the story of Adonis. The Dove and Sparrow are Aphrodite's birds, as well as the swans, which pulled her chariot. Since ancient times Aphrodite has been depicted as coming out from a Shell.



Aphrodite is often seen holding her symbol, an Apple, the prize of beauty she won in a beauty contest against Hera. She bribed the judge, Paris, by making Helen of Troy fall in love with him.

Apollo. (Apollo) | God of the arts (esp. poetry and music), archery, and divination. The Bow and the Quiver are the attributes of this god who strikes from afar, and also the Lyre, some say was invented by Hermes. Since Daphne, pursued by Apollo, into a Laurel tree, the god is associated with the Laurel because he broke a branch from the tree and placed it on his head. Another emblem of Apollo was a Mice were supposed to know the secrets of the earth, and tell them to him.



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Ares. (Mars) | god of war represented in a brilliant suit of armor, a head, a poised spear in one muscular hand and other. His bird was the vulture and his animal Ares were the Wild Boar and a bloodstained



The God of war was generally plumed helmet on his proud young a finely wrought shield on the was the dog. Other emblems of Spear.

Artemis. (Diana) | Goddess Artemis is often represented emblems representing the of a Hind or a Dog. Another



of the hunt and protector of children with the Bow and Quiver of the huntress and with Moon and the Stars. She is often seen in the company emblem of Artemis is the She-Bear.

Dionysus. (Bacchus) | God of wine, mysteries, and the theatre; Vine leaves associated with him. The Tiger is another attribute once visited India and brought tigers back as souvenirs. He drunk with his friends.



of Dionysus, having loved to party and get

Hera hated Dionysus because he was the son of Zeus and a mortal woman, Semele. Dionysus is also one of the very few that was able to bring a dead person out of the underworld.

Hephaestus. (Vulcan) | This god is mostly seen was lame in the legs, the Quail, a bird that



God of smiths and metal-workers. with the hammer and tongs of the smith. Because he due to his fall from Olympus, one of his symbols was does a hobbling dance in the springtime.

Hermes. (Mercury) | god of merchants; messenger of Zeus a round winged hat and the Winged Sandals are two well Hermes. Another one is a winged staff entwined with two emblem resembles this, but it is not the same). The Crane is emblems, because cranes fly in a V - the first letter he wrote, alphabet.



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Hera/			
Hestia/			
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Poseidon, Neptune; god of the deep, and earthquakes	A Trident	Horses, which were first tamed by him, and also bulls and dolphins	Seaweed, kelp
Demeter, Ceres; goddess of the Earth and farmers. Mother nature	A sheath of corn or grain, a torch	Snakes	Poppies and corn,
Hades, (Pluto) King of the underworld. She is also the goddess of marriage.	Three headed dog, Cerberus He has a helmet which makes him invisible. It's his most prized possession. His symbol is also his two-pronged spear,	Three headed dog, Cerberus	

	<p>which he used as a weapon much like Poseidon did his trident.</p>		
<p>Hera, Juno; Queen of Olympus and the gods</p>	<p>The Pomegranate perhaps in her role as an ancient Death-goddess.</p>	<p>The Peacock was the bird sacred to Hera. The Cuckoo is also a bird sacred to Hera because when Zeus was in love with Hera he changed himself into a Cuckoo. She has also been associated with the Cow and the Lion.</p>	<p>The Pomegranate</p>
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<p>Ares Mars god war, and merchants; He is in love with Aphrodite</p>	<p>The God of war was generally represented in a brilliant suit of armor, a plumed helmet on his proud young head, a poised spear in one muscular hand and a finely wrought shield on the other and a bloodstained Spear.</p>	<p>His bird was the vulture and his animal was the dog. Other emblems of Ares were the Wild Boar</p>	
<p>Artemis/Diana the huntress Protector of children</p>	<p>Artemis is often represented with the Bow and Quiver of the huntress and with emblems representing the Moon and the Stars.</p>	<p>She is often seen in the company of a Hind or a Dog. Another emblem of Artemis is the She-Bear (female bear).</p>	

<p>Dionysus (Bacchus) god of wine, mysteries, and the theatre</p>	<p>The Thyrsus, a staff that is crowned with ivy is sacred to Dionysus and an emblem of his worship.</p>	<p>The Tiger is another attribute of Dionysus, having once visited India and brought tigers back as souvenirs</p>	<p>Grapes and vine leaves</p>
<p>Hephaestus (Vulcan) god of smiths and metal- workers. The lame god. Married to Aphrodite</p>	<p>This god is mostly seen with the hammer and tongs of the smith or an axe.</p>	<p>Because he was lame in the legs, due to his fall from Olympus, one of his symbols was the Quail; a bird that does a hobbling dance in the springtime.</p>	
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