

MYTHS AND LEGENDS AROUND THE WORLD



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Myths and Legends from

Wales Ireland

The United Kingdom

Robin Hood

- Robin Hood was a man who lived in the Sherwood Forest in Nottingham
- Robin Hood, the legendary thief of England, stole from the rich and gave to the poor.
- His main enemy was the vicious and oppressive Sheriff of Nottingham, but Robin had some friends like Little John, Will Scarlet ...
- He reflects the discontent of the poor people with political conditions and the new laws that kept them from hunting freely in forests.
- There are also a lot of films about his life and his adventures . One of the most popular films are the ones from Disney.



The Loch Ness Monster



One thousand, five hundred years ago, one man went swimming in the Loch Ness because he wanted his boat, which was in the other side. Then the monster appeared. It was green with sharp teeth, a long tail and blue tentacles.

When the monster was going to eat the man, a saint called Columba appeared surprisingly and said to the monster: “Go further. Don’t touch the man. Go back at once.”

The scientific community regards the Loch Ness Monster is a modern day-myth, and explains, the scientific happenings that happened in the sea.

But, there are also a lot of photos and videos that prove the existence of this monster. Some people believe, others don’t ... It depends on your religion and your beliefs. Do you believe it?

Jack the Ripper

- From August 7 to September 10 in 1888, "Jack the Ripper" terrorized the Whitechapel district in London's East End. He killed at least five women and mutilated their bodies in an unusual manner, indicating that the killer had a knowledge of human anatomy.



- More recently, in 2014, Russell Edwards, an author, claimed that he has proven the identity of Jack the Ripper by DNA results obtained from a shawl belonging to one of the victims, Catherine Eddowes.



CLEOPATRA, AN ICON OF BEAUTY.

CLEOPATRA VII, THE LAST PHARAOH OF ANCIENT EGYPT. IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN A CULTURAL FIGURE, REKNOWN FOR HER ALLURING BEAUTY.

ROMAN COINS SHOW CLEOPATRA TO HAVE MASCULINE FEATURES: A LARGE NOSE, PROTRUDING CHIN AND THIN LIPS .

CONTEMPORARY SOURCES NOTE CLEOPATRA AS BEING CHARISMATIC AND CLEVER, AS OPPOSED TO POSSESSING PHYSICAL BEAUTY.



OBSESSED WITH DEATH



THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS WITH THEIR PYRAMIDS, MUMMIES AND IMPOSING GODS WERE REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT DEATH.

THE GREAT LABOUR THAT THE EGYPTIANS TOOK IN BURYING THEIR DEAD PEOPLE WAS ACTUALLY A WAY OF GLORIFYING LIFE.

FURTHERMORE, THE EXPENSIVE ORNAMENTS BURIED WITH THE EGYPTIANS HELPED THEM TO REACH THE AFTERLIFE.

CLEARLY THE EGYPTIANS WERE OBSESSED WITH LIFE, AFTER DEATH.

SERVANTS IN EGYPT

**WHEN THE PHaraohS DIED,
THEIR SERVANTS WERE NOT
KILLED AND ENTOMBED WITH
THEM AS IS POPULARLY
BELIEVED.**

**ALTHOUGH, TWO PHaraohS OF
THE FIRST DYNASTY OF EGYPT
ARE KNOWN TO HAVE HAD THEIR
SERVANTS BURIED WITH THEM.**





GREECE

MERMAIDS



- **A MERMAID IS A MYTHICAL CREATURE**
- **THAT IS HALF WOMAN AND HALF FISH.**
- **ALTHOUGH SOME MERMAIDS ARE DESCRIBED AS MONSTROUS AND UGLY.**
- **THEY ARE OFTEN SHOWN WITH A MIRROR AND A COMB . MERMAIDS LURE HANDSOME YOUNG MEN TO THEIR HOMES IN THE DEEP SEAS .**

HERA

HERA IS THE QUEEN OF THE GODS.

IT IS THE WIFE AND SISTER OF ZEUS.

**SHE IS KNOWN FOR BEING THE
GODDESS OF MARRIAGE AND BIRTH.**

**DESPITE BEING THE GODDESS OF
MARRIAGE, SHE WAS KNOWN TO BE
JEALOUS AND REVENGEFUL
TOWARDS THE MANY LOVERS OF HER
HUSBAND ZEUS.**

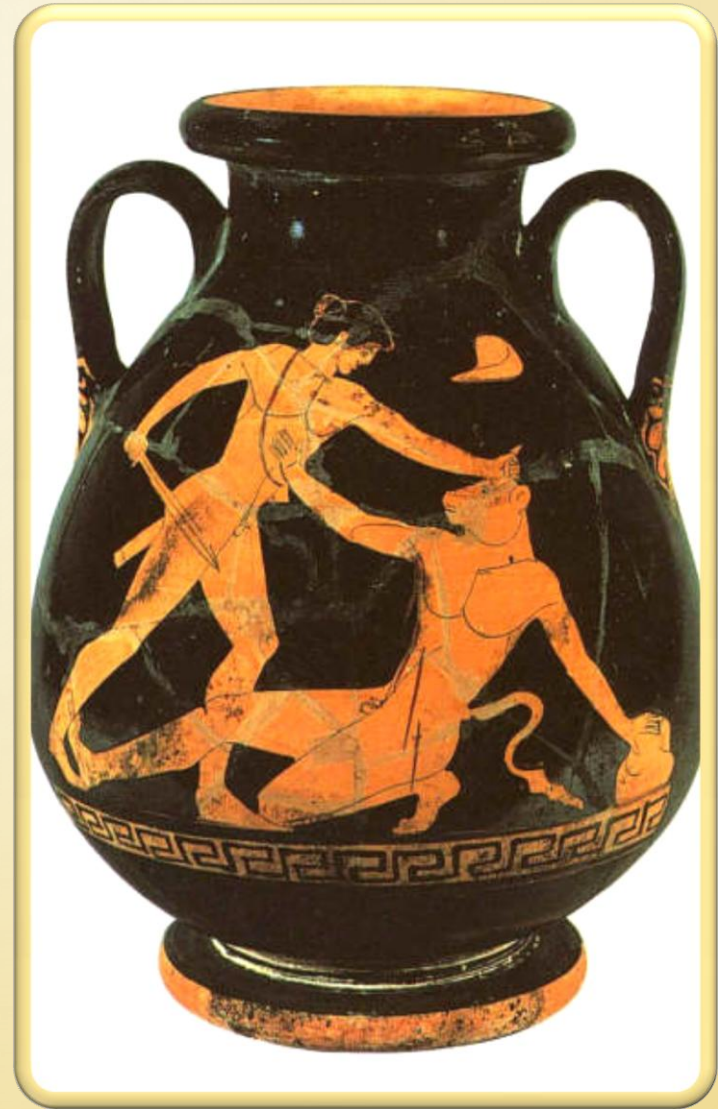


MINOTAUR

**THE MINOTAUR WAS A CREATURE
WITH THE HEAD OF A BULL AND
THE BODY OF A MAN.**

**THE MINOTAUR DWELT AT THE
CENTRE OF THE LABYRINTH
WHICH WAS AN ELABORATED
MAZELIKE CONSTRUCTION
DESIGNED BY THE**

**ARCHITECT DAEDALUS AND HIS
SON ICARUS ON THE COMMAND OF
THE KING OF CRETE.**



Myths and Legends about Poland



THE SLEEPING KNIGHTS

- ●POLAND HAS ALWAYS BEEN A LAND OF STRONG AND COURAGEOUS KNIGHTS. MANY OLD TALES CLAIM THAT THE BRAVEST KNIGHTS NEVER DIED, BUT THEY HAVE BEEN ASLEEP FOR CENTURIES IN A CAVERN BENEATH MOUNT PISADA.
- ●ONCE, IN A MOUNTAIN VILLAGE, A STRANGER ENTERED A BLACKSMITH SHOP.
- ●THERE WAS A BRIGHT GOLDEN LIGHT INSIDE THE CAVE. ON THE FLOOR, THERE WAS AN ARMY OF KNIGHTS IN FULL ARMOUR.



THE DRAGON OF WAWEL

- ●SOME CENTURIES AGO, THERE LIVED IN A CAVE AT THE FOOT OF WAWEL HILL, THE MOST HORRIBLE FIREBELCHING DRAGON, A MONSTER THAT RAVAGED THE NEARBY MEADOWS BY DEVOURING GRAZING CATTLE.
- ●IN VAIN THE BRAVEST KNIGHTS TRIED TO OVERCOME THE DRAGON.
- ●THE KING WHO REIGNED AT THE TIME SENT OUT HIS HERALDS TO ANNOUNCE THAT WHOSOEVER COULD SLAY THE DRAGON WOULD – AS A REWARD – MARRY HIS DAUGHTER.



THE QUEEN OF THE BALTIC

- ● AGES AND AGES AGO ON THE BOTTOM OF THE BALTIC ROSE A SPLENDID PALACE BELONGING TO JURATA, THE QUEEN OF THOSE WATERS.
- ● NOT ONLY WAS THE QUEEN BEAUTIFUL, BUT THRIFTY AS WELL, RULING HER DOMAIN JUSTLY AND CARING FOR THE WELFARE OF HER SUBJECTS.
- ● AT LAST THE QUEEN DECIDED TO MEET THE FISHERMAN AND PERSUADE HIM INTO HER AMBER BOAT.

