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# **Our Company**

Buy Greek Art, Inc. was founded in 2003 after a growing demand from Greek communities in the USA to find a source of original, unique, and high-quality items that they could sell at their annual fundraising Greek Festivals. Our subsidiary, 2 Greeks, Inc. a woman-owned family business was founded in 2020 to devote to our increasing museum customers. We were blessed to have exponential growth and currently, we are the largest supplier of unique, original Greek items to festivals in the world. In 2018 we were honored to be selected by The Children's Museum in Indianapolis, Indiana as the primary supplier for both their Treasures of Greece and Take Me There Greece exhibitions. We also have the honor of supplying both The Museum of World Treasures in Wichita, Kansas, and The Parthenon Museum in Nashville, Tennessee.

# Why Work with Us

2 Greeks, Inc. is also the only company based in Greece that currently works with museums. We strive to establish personal and long-term relationships with Greek artisans and businesses - ensuring high-quality, authentic items at the best prices. Many of our items can retail for less than they cost in the tourist shops in Athens! The plaques, vases, and other museum replicas are sent directly from the factories to our warehouse in the USA. As a result, we can offer these items at a fraction of what the cost would otherwise be. Some of these are cheaper than can be purchased from the tourist shops in Athens! 2 Greeks, Inc. is large enough to purchase in quantities that ensure that our warehouse has a constant supply of items for your gift shop. Consequently, we can allow you to purchase, inreasonable quantities, as you need the items.

# **Our Goal**

Our goal is to raise awareness and support Greek culture and arts by offering authentic Greek-made (Greek-designed) products to cultural events and institutions.

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#### 2 Krater Style vases

On left: Krater vase used for mixing On right: Krater vase used for mixing



#### **Krater and Amphora Vases**

On left: Calyx Krater vase used for mixing On right: Amphora vase used for storage



#### **Create Your Own Vase**

Box contains one vase and ceramic markers.



#### **Krater and Amphora vases**

On left: Amphora Vase used for storage On right: Calyx Krater used for mixing





On left: Calyx Krater used for mixing On right: Oinochoe vase used for pouring



#### **Mini Parthenon Vase**

Handmade. 10 cm tall.



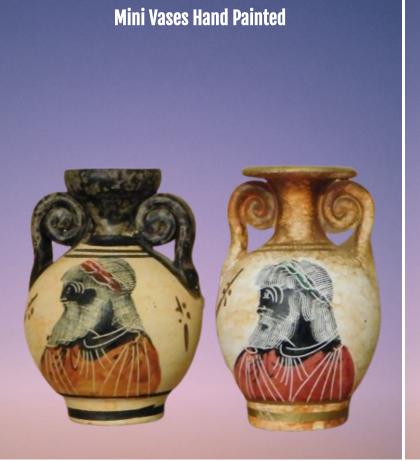
#### Mini vases

Handmade. Hand painted. 9cm tall



#### **Hand Painted mini vases**





## Parthenon plate

Painted terra cotta plate. Diameter is 9 inches.



terra cotta vases



**Ceramic Magnets** 

Handpainted. Diamter 3 inchees.



## Oinochoe vase, Calyz Krater, and Amphora Vase

On left: Oinochoe style vase for pouring Middle: Calyx Krater for mixing On right: Amphora vase for storage



#### Pelike, Krater, and Amphora vases

On left: Pelike vases used for storage Middle: Krater vase used for mixing On Right: Amphora vase used for storage



# Jewelry Boxes

Handmade ceramics decorated with archaic scenes with 24-carat gold plating

17cm x 11cm (6.7in x 4.4in)





# Chess Sets

#### The Legend

A glorious city was the bone of contention between two powerful gods. The God of the Sea, Poseidon, and the Goddess of Wisdom, Athena, each wanted the city to be named after themselves. The divine conflict was fierce so Zeus declared that each god had to make an offer to the citizens. Poseidon lifted his trident and struck the rock of the Acropolis where seawater burst out. "It will warn you of upcoming storms. Your city will conquer the seas", he said. Athena knelt and touched the ground where an olive tree started to grow. "For food, oil, wood, and light. Your city will become the symbol of civilization". Despite the rage of Poseidon, Athena's gift was preferred, and ever since the city is called Athens.

# Greek Mythology



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#### The Chessmen

Greek sculptors loved to recreate this divine conflict through their art. The King is a replica of the famous statue "Poseidon of Melos" (2nd cent. B.C.), and the Queen represents the glorious "Athena Promachos" (450 B.C., Acropolis Museum). A bronze Hellenistic statue inspired by the Bishop and the Knight is a part of the marble facade of the Parthenon sculptured by Pheidias. The castle is a reproduction of one of the most admirable Attic stele devoted to young Aristion who died in battle. Finally, the Pawn is a bronze statue of a fully armed warrior in 500 B.C.





#### The Legacy

In and out of the battlefield, archery has been a skill of great demand and appreciation. Apart from hunting, archers were the legendary defenders of the fortress walls of the city and the ones who offered covering fire during the battle. The twin gods Apollo and Artemis were masters in archery and protectors of the archers. Philoctetes was one of the most famous archers, who carried the mythical bow of Hercules.



#### The Chessmen

Fierce, local, and international wars characterized that period. Their ferocity is symbolized by the aggressiveness of the Archer (pawn) and the Knight. The posture of the King and Queen indicates their unquestionable leadership. The Bishop reveals his consideration for the imminent battle. Finally, the Castle is a reproduction of a pillar which was the basic symbol of the architectural style during that period.



# Labours of Hercules

#### A CHESS SET INSPIRED FROM GREEK HISTORY

Size of chessboard: 36 x 36cm

#### The History

Hercules, the most legendary half-god hero of mythology, is famous not only for his enormous strength but also for his humble offer to the people. Hercules was born in Thiva, from the secret union of mortal Alkmini with the King of the Gods, Zeus. His 12 labours were major heroic tasks that involved saving people from deadly mythical beasts. He helped the Gods in their war with the Giants, when even his eternal enemy, Hera, Queen of Gods forgave him and offered him a place in Olympus. A story of strength, tragedy, and redemption that made the son of Zeus the favorite hero of mankind.



The Chessmen

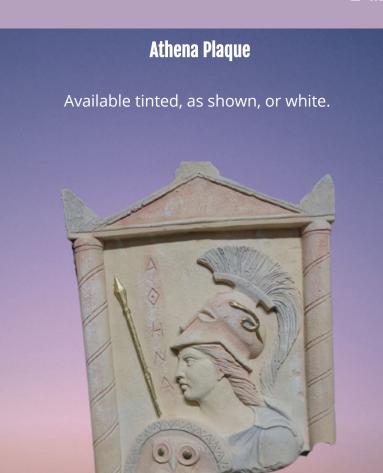
Hercules (Pawn), the greatest hero of mythology, is often depicted wearing the lion skin from his first labor. Zeus (King), his father and King of Gods stands almighty with his thunderbolt in hand. Athena (Queen), armed defender of justice, always protected Hercules. Apollo (Bishop) took part in the Battle of the Giants. Centaur (Knight) kidnaps Hercules's wife, so the hero killed him to save her. Ironically, years later it was his poisonous blood that caused Hercules's death.

The Castle is a replica of an Ionian column that represents the architectural rhythm of the period.



# Alabaster





Athena in Mourning

Dimensions: 6.25 in x .75 inc x 11.25 in. Available in white.



**Caryatids of Erechtheion** 

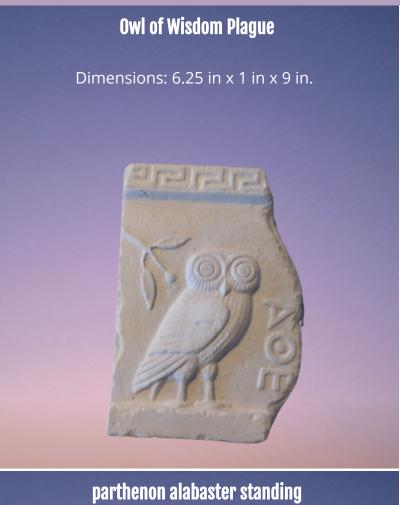
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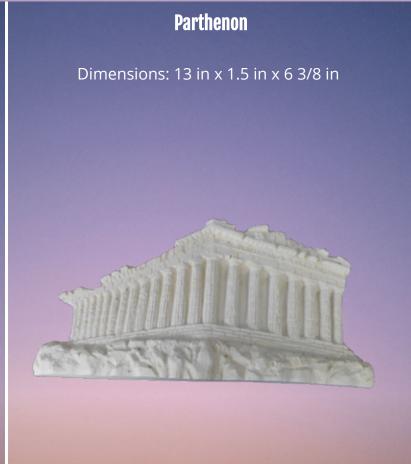


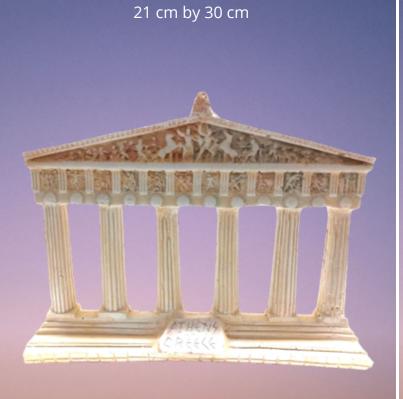
**Discus Thrower** 

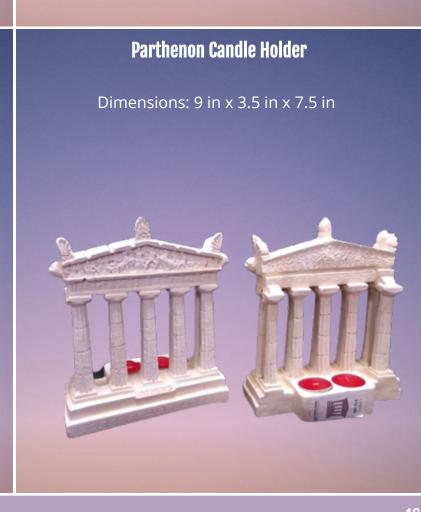
Height: 20 cm





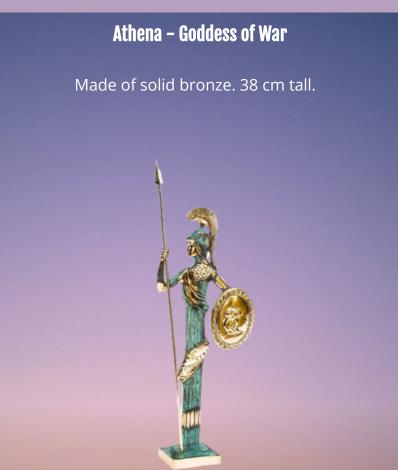








# Bronze





Solid bronze. Imported from Athens. 37 cm tall.



**Athena with Nike** 

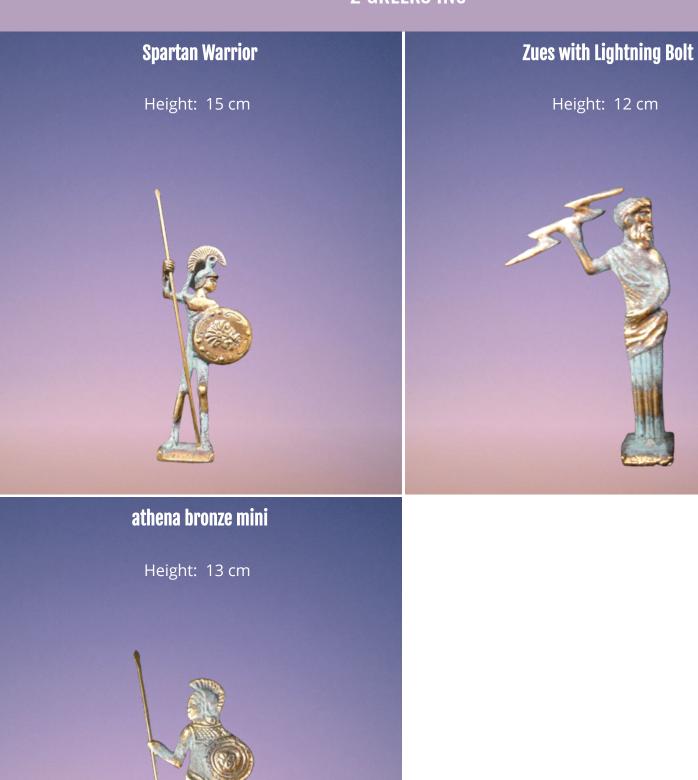
Solid bronze. Imported. 42 cm tall.



Athena's Owl of Wisdom

Dimensions: 4 in x 1.75 in

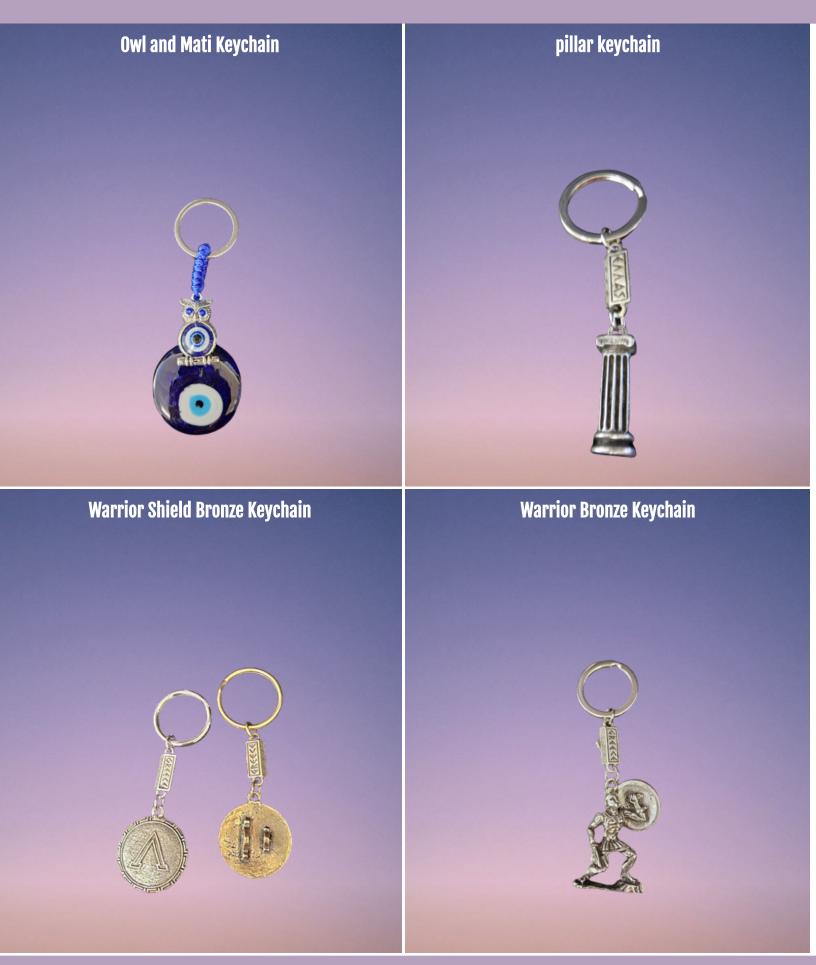




# Keychains







# Vases