

Mythical Appetites of Ancient Greece

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1. What was the primary diet of the fearsome Chimaera, often depicted with multiple animal parts?

- A) It subsisted on ambrosia and nectar.
- B) It preyed on livestock and occasionally humans.**
- C) It was a herbivore, grazing on mountain grasses.
- D) It ate only fish from the nearby sea.

2. The Gorgons, particularly Medusa, were often associated with what type of monstrous diet according to some interpretations of their lore?

- A) They were strict vegetarians.
- B) They consumed souls of the living.**
- C) They feasted on honey and fruits.
- D) They only ate grains and seeds.

3. What did the Sirens, known for their enchanting songs, lure sailors towards, implying a predatory diet?

- A) To share their vast stores of fruit.
- B) To their rocky islands to drown and consume them.**
- C) To join their underwater banquets.
- D) To guide them to safe harbors.

4. If the mythical Griffin were to dine, what would be a likely component of its diet, given its lion and eagle nature?

- A) Only wild berries.
- B) Large mammals and birds.**
- C) Rare herbs found in mountain caves.
- D) Sweet nectar from mythical flowers.

5. The legendary Hydra, with its many heads, is often described as a fearsome predator. What would it likely consume?

- A) Only magical plants.
- B) Small insects and fungi.
- C) Livestock and potentially unwary travelers.**
- D) Sunlight and water.

6. What was the reputed diet of the fearsome Cyclops, like Polyphemus, known for their brute strength and single eye?

A) A vegetarian diet of olives and grapes.

B) Raw meat, including human flesh.

C) Sweets made from honey.

D) Fish caught from deep sea trenches.

7. The mythical Minotaur, confined within the Labyrinth, was notoriously fed what to appease its monstrous hunger?

A) A daily offering of wheat and barley.

B) A tribute of young men and women.

C) Sweet fruits from the royal gardens.

D) Only enchanted herbs.

8. Centaur meals were often depicted in ancient art. What would be a common food item associated with their mixed human and horse nature, possibly during feasts?

A) Only delicate pastries.

B) Abundant roasted meats and wine.

C) Exotic fruits from distant lands.

D) Pure, filtered water from sacred springs.