

Poseidon, god of the sea

In Ancient Greek religion, people worshipped many different Gods. Poseidon was the brother of Zeus and was the god of the sea and protector of all waters. His symbols were horses, bulls and fish.



Poseidon using his trident to cause destruction

Powers

Poseidon carried a trident (a weapon with three prongs) that he could use to strike the ground and cause an earthquake on land and a tidal wave in the sea. He was the god of sailors and they prayed to him for a safe voyage. He created Pegasus, the flying horse, and the Cretan Bull which was one of Heracles' labours.

Personality

Poseidon was moody and often bad-tempered. His emotions were unstable and made him violent and unpredictable. He was a very powerful god who was able to cause huge destruction if he wished.

Interesting facts

Poseidon had a palace under the sea which was made of corals and gems. However, as one of the Twelve Olympians, he often spent more time at Mount Olympus.

As one of the three most powerful gods, Poseidon was worshipped and feared by the ancient Greeks.



Ancient Greek statue of Poseidon