Italy in Etruscan Times

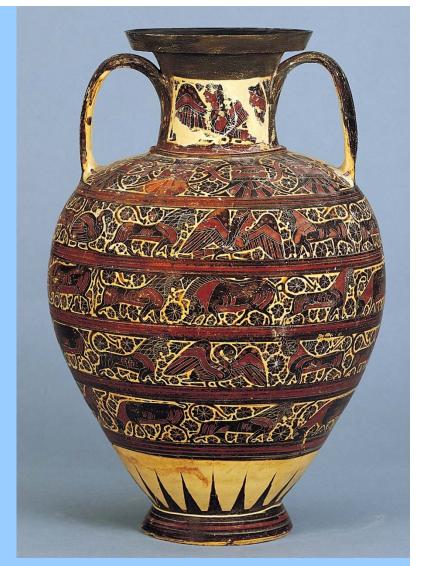




Fibula with Orientalizing lions from the Regolini-Galassi Tomb, Cerveteri, Italy, ca. 650–640 BCE. Gold, approx. 1' 1/2" high. Vatican Museums, Rome.



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Comparison: Greek Orientalizing Corinthian black-figure amphora with animal friezes (and Harpies or Sirens,) from Rhodes, Greece, ca. 625–600 BCE. Approx. 1' 2" high..

Repoussé

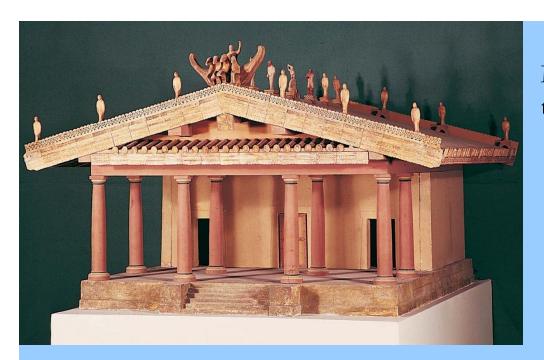
Type of decoration used on cold sheet bronze or gold produced by hammering from the back surface against a pattern mould to create a relief effect.

Granulation

A technique used in the manufacture of jewellery whereby grains of gold, electrum, or silver, are soldered onto metalwork.



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Model of a typical Etruscan temple of the sixth century BCE

IKTINOS and KALLIKRATES, **Parthenon**, the Temple of Athena
Parthenos Acropolis, Athens,
Greece, 447–438 BCE

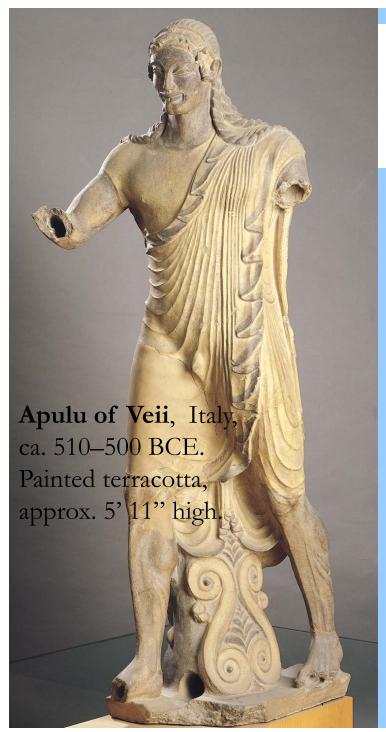


Apulu of Veii, from the roof of the Portonaccio Temple, Veii, Italy, ca. 510–500 BCE. Painted terracotta, approx. 5' 11" high. Museo Nazionale di Villa Giulia, Rome.





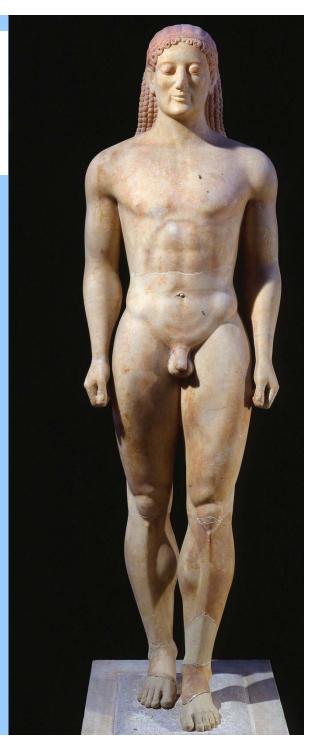




Comparison: Kroisos from Anavysos, Greece ca. 530 BCE. Marble Approx. 6' 4" high.



Comparison: Kore,, Athens, Greece, ca. 520–510 BCE. Marble, approx. 1' 9 1/2" high.





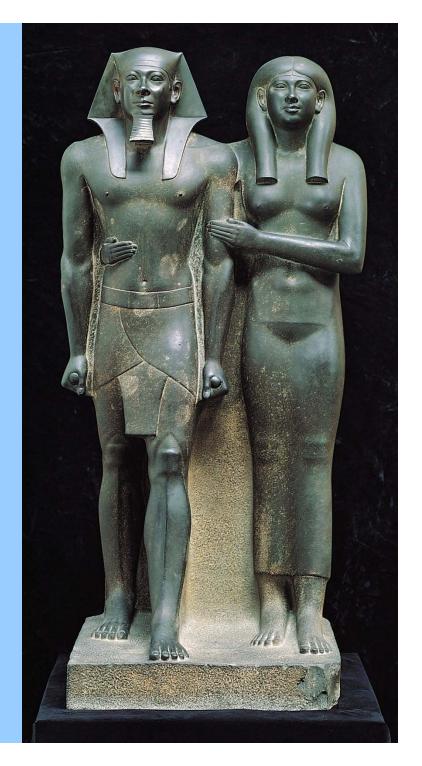
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Comparison: Menkaure and Queen Khamerernebty (?)

from Gizeh, Egypt, Dynasty IV, ca. 2490–2472 BCE. Graywacke, approx. 4' 6 1/2" high. Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

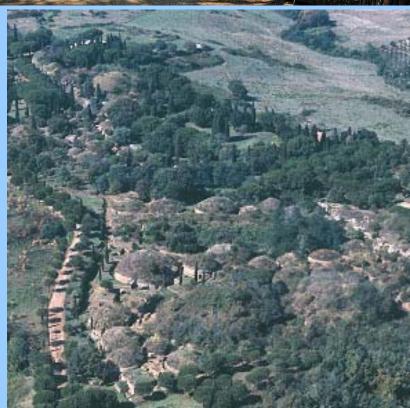






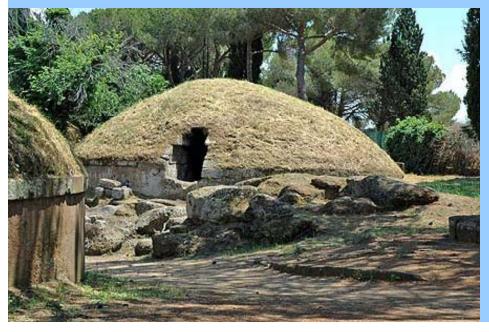
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Tumulus (pl. Tumuli): Burial mound

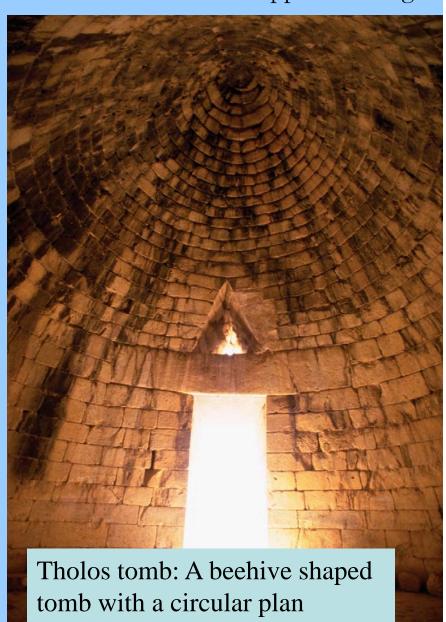


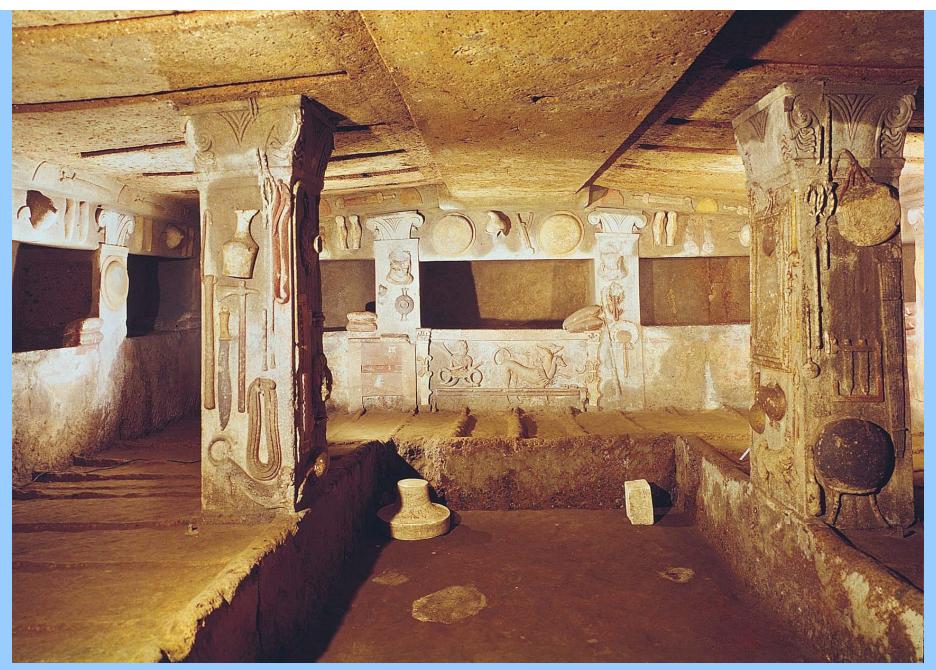


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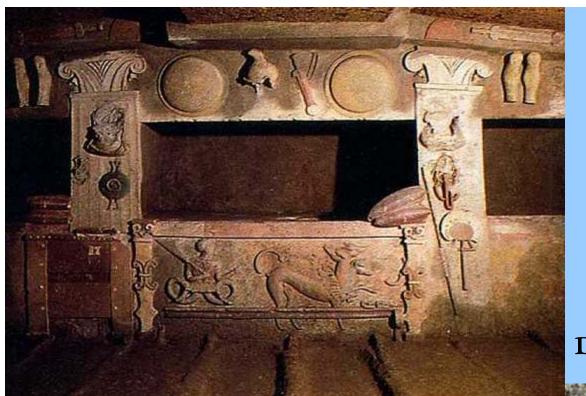


Comparison: Treasury of Atreus, Mycenae, Greece, ca. 1300–1250 BCE. Approx. 43' high.





The Tomb of the Reliefs, Cerveteri, Italy, third century BCE.



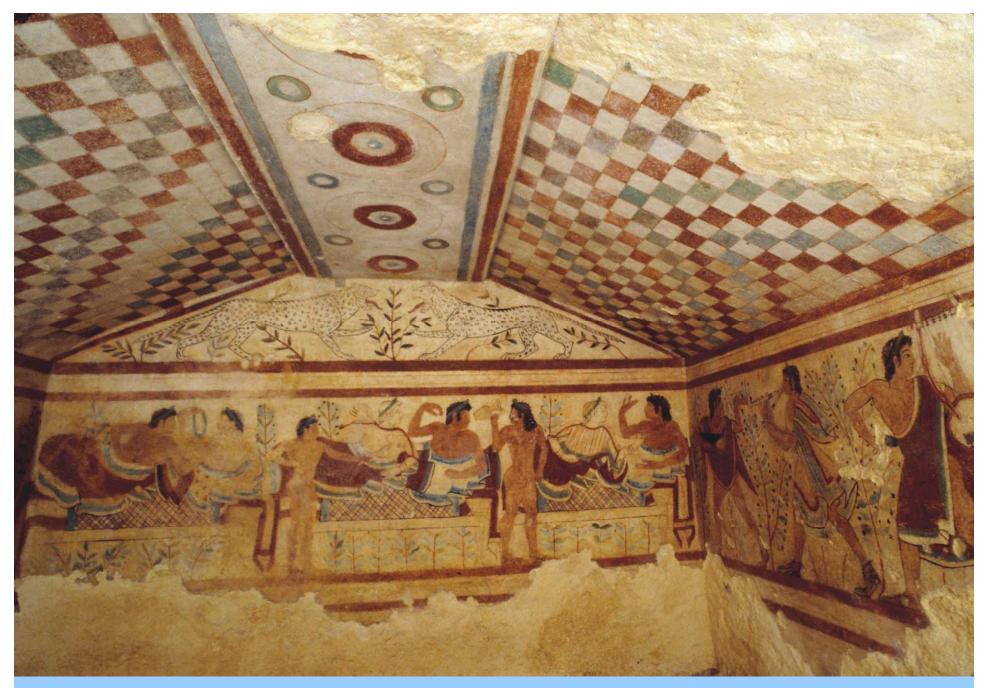
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Details: Charun and Cerberus

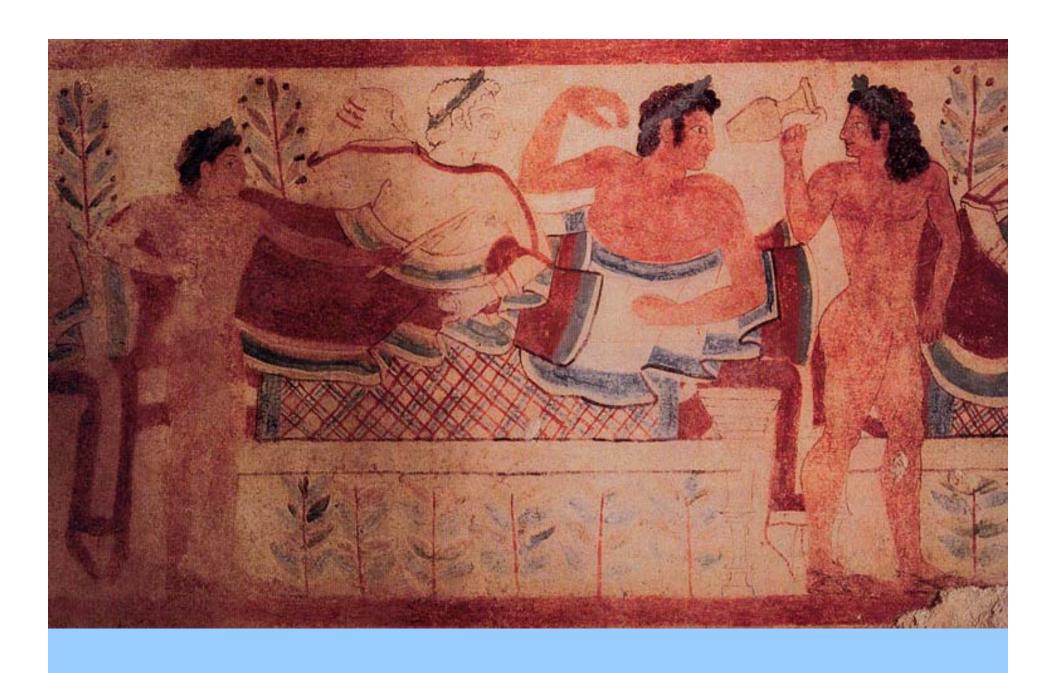




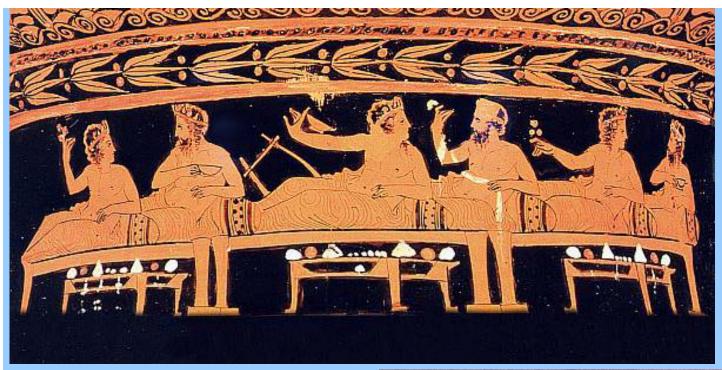




Tomb of the Leopards. Tarquinia, Italy, ca. 480–470 BCE.



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Comparison: An ancient Greek symposium scene, 390 BC. The J. Paul Getty Museum.

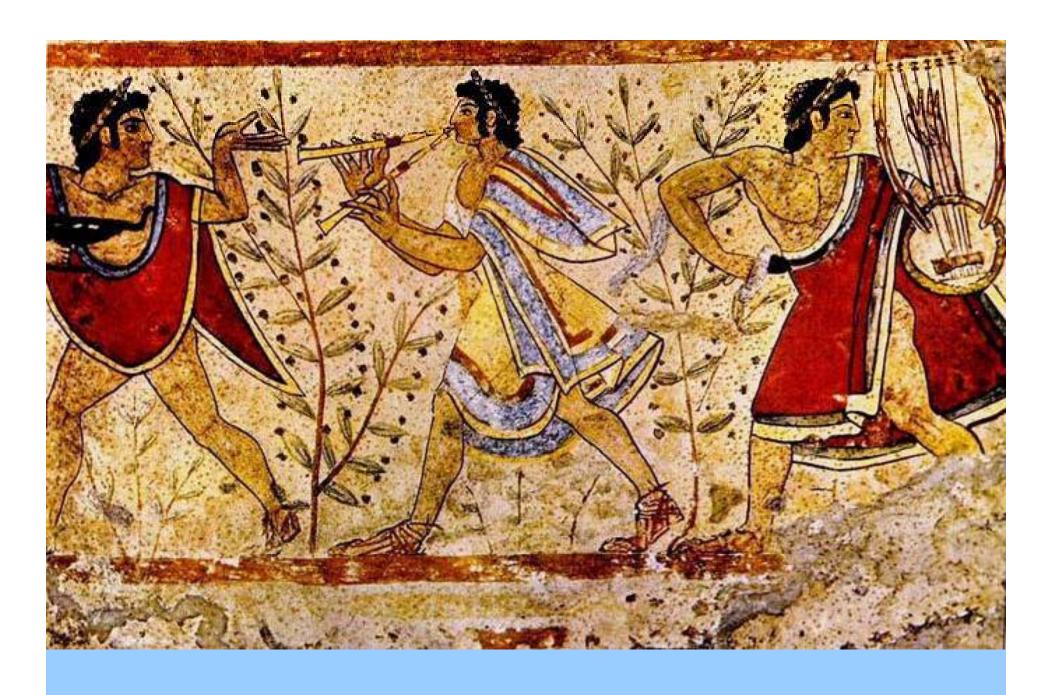
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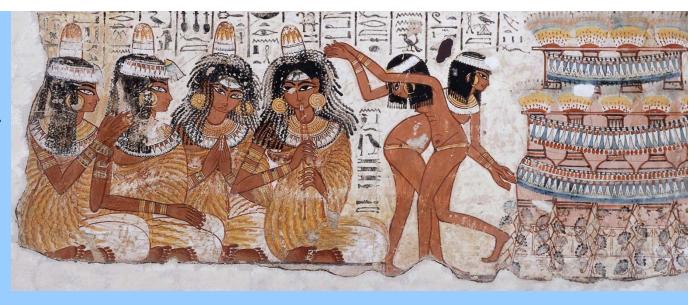
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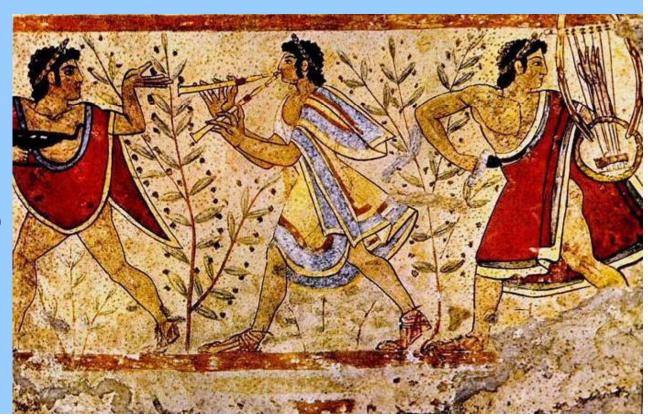
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Comparison: Musicians and dancers, detail of a fresco from the tomb of Nebamun,

Thebes, Egypt, Dynasty XVIII, ca. 1400–1350 BCE. Fragment approx. 1' x 2' 3".



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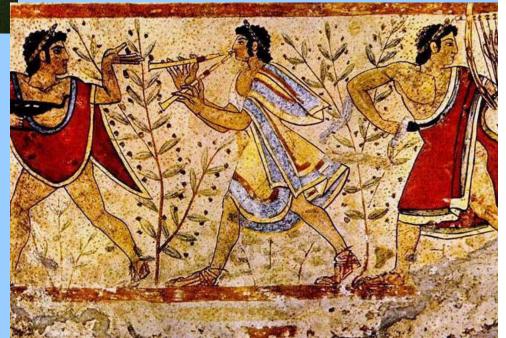




Comparison

Greek, Red Figure: Polygnotos. Athletes practicing to flute music. Ca. 440-430 BCE

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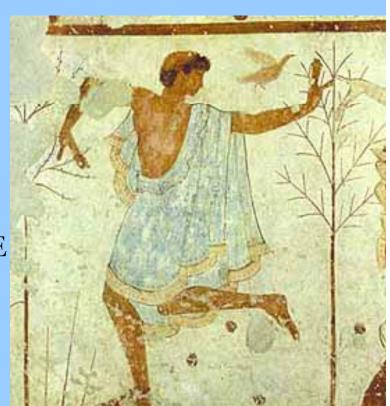


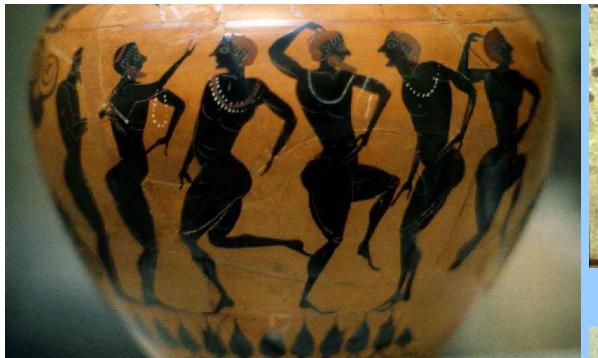
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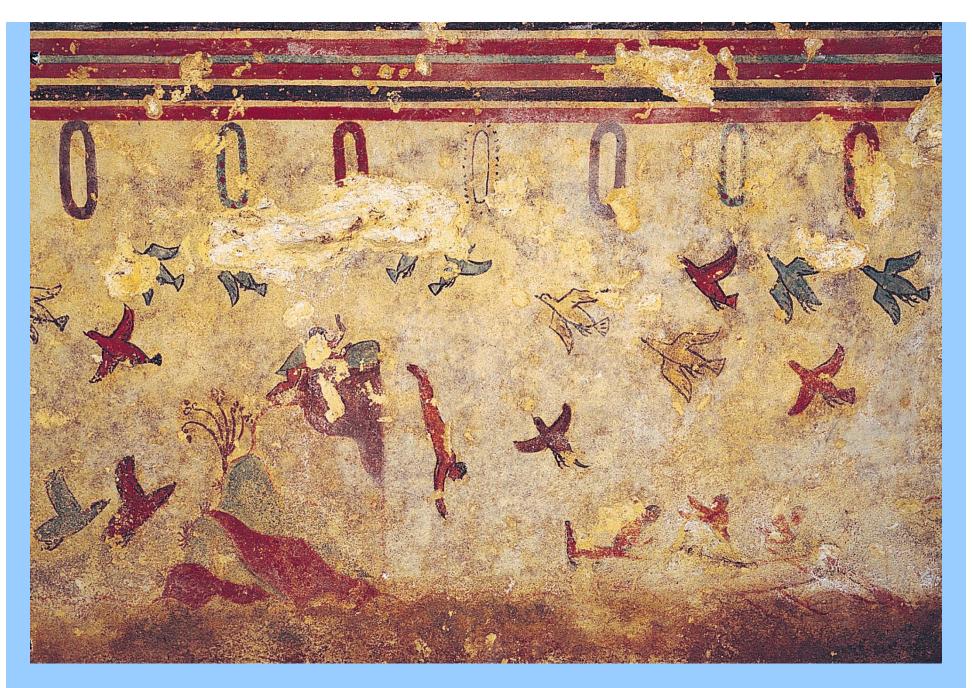


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Comparison Greek Black Figure Recovery of Helen with Dancers. Ca. 550 BCE

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Tomb of Hunting and Fishing. Tarquinia, Italy, ca. 530–520 BCE.



Comparison

Minoan: Landscape with swallows

from, Akrotiri, Thera, Greece ca. 1650 BCE. Fresco, approx. 7' 6" high. National Archaeological Museum. Athens.

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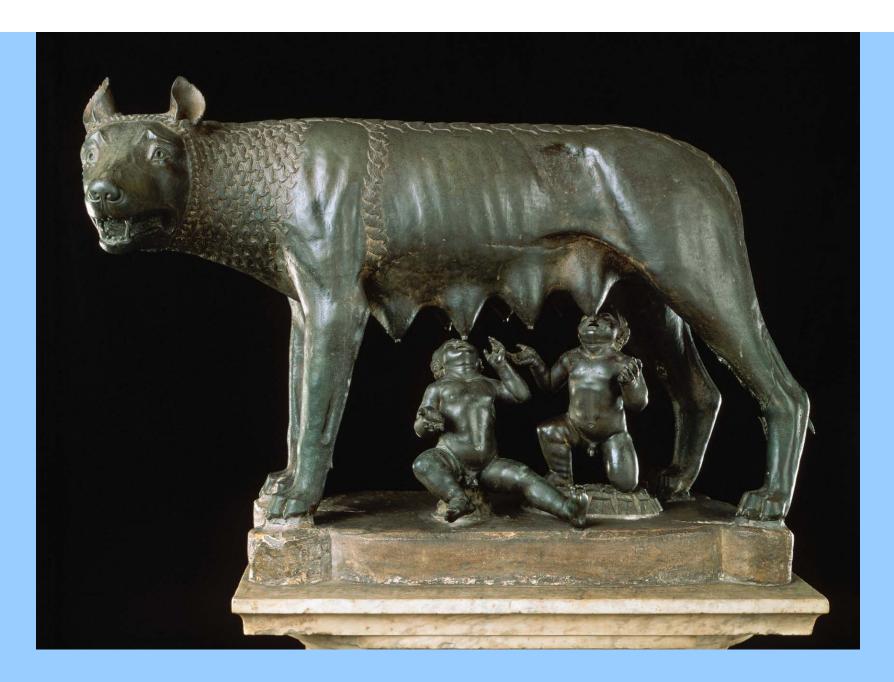
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Greek: Fresco from the Tomb of the
Diver. Ca. 470 BCE. Paestum. Italy



Bronze hand mirrors were a characteristic product of the Etruscans. Around 3,000 handmirrors have survived. They provide much information about Etruscan bronze technology and the development of Etruscan art.

They were very often decorated on the backs with scenes from daily life, religion and mythology. Some show stories from Greek mythology, some purely Etruscan, some a mixture of both.

> Bronze mirror showing Herekele (Herakles) and Mlacuch Ca. 500-475 BC Said to be from Atri, Abruzzi, Italy



Capitoline Wolf, from Rome, Italy, ca. 500–480 BCE. Bronze, approx. 2' 7 1/2" high. Palazzo dei Conservatori, Rome.

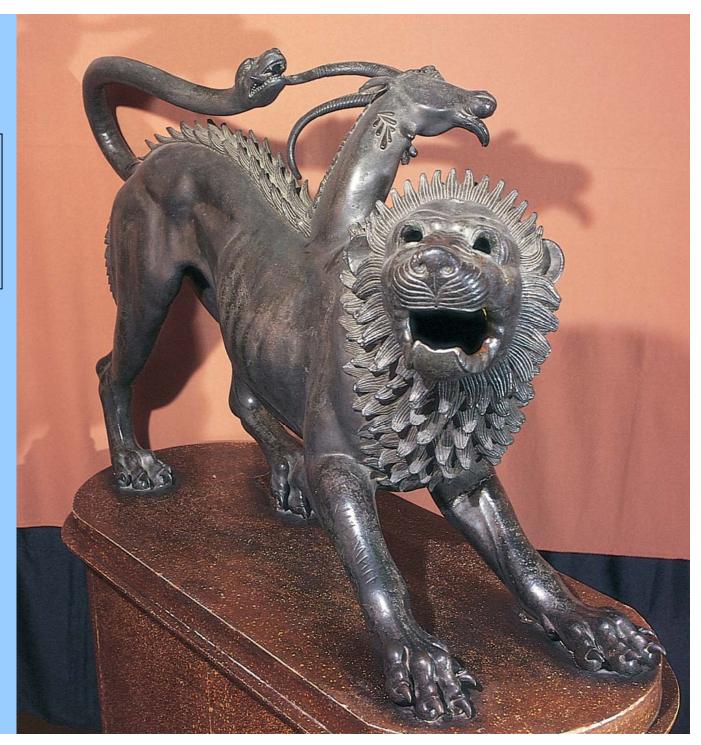


Capitoline Wolf

(The infant twins Romulus and Remus were added by Antonio del Pollaiuolo in the 15th c.)

The mythical Chimera was defeated by Bellerophon with the help of Pegasus, the winged horse.

Chimera from Arezzo, Italy, 4th c. BCE. Bronze. Approx. 2' 7 1/2" high. Museo Archeologico Nazionale, Florence.



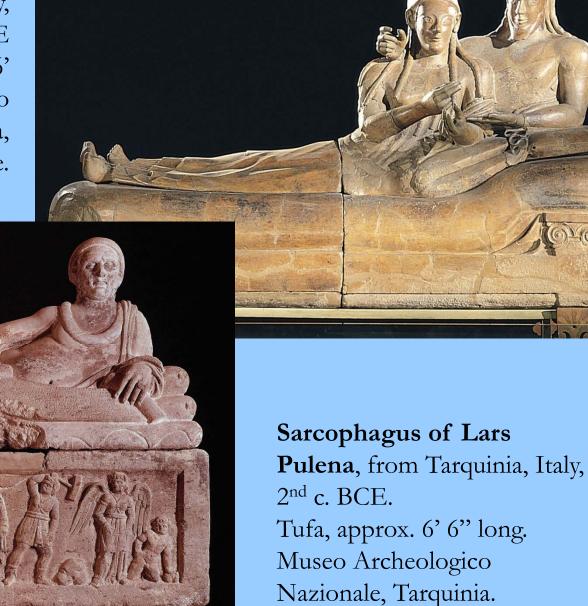


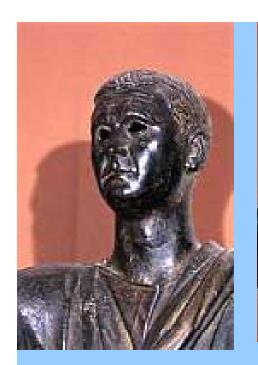
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Sarcophagus of Lars Pulena, from Tarquinia, Italy, 2nd c. BCE. Tufa, approx. 6' 6" long. Museo Archeologico Nazionale, Tarquinia.

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Aule Metele (Arringatore) from Cortona, near Lake Trasimeno, Italy, early first century BCE. Bronze, approx. 5'7" high

