

Odysseus' Travels on a Modern-Day Map of Europe

6. Laestrygonians - These giants attacked Odysseus' ships. Only his own survived to continue on.

7., 9. Circe - the beautiful witch-goddess transforms Odysseus' men into animals and becomes his lover.

8. Tiresias and the Land of the Dead - He is the blind prophet whom Odysseus meets in the "underworld." He shows Odysseus how to get back to Ithaca and lets him communicate with the dead in Hades.

14. Calypso - The beautiful nymph falls in love with Odysseus and holds him prisoner for seven years. Hermes, the messenger god, convinces her to release Odysseus.

3. The Lotus Eaters - Eating the inhabitants' plants, Odysseus' men were drugged and didn't want to go home. He had to drag them back to the boats.

4. The Cyclopes Island - One eyed giants who were unsocial. Odysseus and his men met the cyclops Polyphemus here.

5. Aeolis - The wind god. He gave Odysseus a bag of bad winds, which his men opened, sending them off course.

10. The Sirens - Well known in mythology and often referred to in literature, these enchanted women lured ships to their island with their songs and then crashed the vessels, killing the sailors.

11. Charybdis - this is the whirlpool sea monster that sucks ships up into the ocean.

12. Scylla - Odysseus and his men run into this six headed monster, which makes a meal of six of them.

2. Cicones - Ismarus is where these people lived. Odysseus' men killed the men and took the women captive. Zeus sent a storm as punishment.

1. Troy (now Turkey) - Odysseus leaves after the Trojan War, which was fought here for 10 years.

15. Phaeacia - this is the island of King Alcinous, who provided a ship to take Odysseus on his final leg home.

16. Ithaca - This is Odysseus' island kingdom off the west coast of the mainland of Greece.

13. Thrinakia - the island where Helios, the sun god lived. Odysseus' men ate Helios' sacred cattle when they were told not to and paid a big price for their disobedience.

