

KEY TERMS :: HERACLES

Eurystheus, Copreus (“crap-man”)
 labors (athloi)
 parerga (side-deeds)
 praxeis (deeds)

Homer (mid eighth-century BCE)

Pindar (c. 522–443 BCE)

Bacchylides (c. 507–after 452 BCE)

Theocritus (third-century BCE)

Ovid (3/20/63 BCE–17 CE)

Heracles || Hercules (Hera-cles ‘glory of/from Hera’)

Iconography

Lion’s Skin, Club, Bow

Epithets

Alcides, Tirynthus

Perseus ➡ Alcaeus ➡ Amphitryon (Zeus) + Alcmene ➡
 Heracles & Iphicles

Perseus ➡ Sthenelus ➡ Eurystheus
 Copreus (“crap-man”)

Labors (athloi)

1. Nemean Lion
2. Lernaean Hydra
3. Cernyian Hind
4. Erymanthian Boar
5. Augean Stables
6. Stymphalian Birds
7. Cretan Bull (Marathon Bull)
8. Mares of Diomedes
9. Belt of Hippolyte
10. Cattle of Geryon
11. Golden Apples of the Garden of Hesperides
12. Cerberus

Side-deeds (parerga) [during which Labor]

1. Pholus & the killing of Chiron [4]
2. Rescue of Alcestis; Admetus
3. Killing of Cacus & Eryx [10]
4. Kills Antaeus [11]~ Syleus, Cycnus
5. Kills Busiris and sons
6. Frees Prometheus

Select Deeds (praxeis)

1. Voyage of the Argonauts
2. Stealing of Eurytus’ Cattle
3. Killing of Iphitus
4. Theft of the Pythia’s Tripod
5. Serving Omphale
6. Capture of Cecropes
7. Sack of Troy (Priam left alive)
8. Slaughter of Neleus (Nestor left alive)
9. Kills Augeus and Founds Olympian Games
10. Kills Nessus

Wives and Consorts of Heracles

Megara
 Omphale
 Deinaira
 Iole, daughter of Eurytus

Heraclids**Euripides, *Heracles* or *Hercules Furens***

Amphitryon
 Megara
 Lycus
 Iris
 Madness
 Heracles
 Theseus

Thespius & his 50 Daughters
 Hylas

Tutors of Heracles

Amphitryon (chariot)
 Autolycus (wrestling)
 Eurtyus (archery)
 Castor (fighting in armor)
 Linus (music)