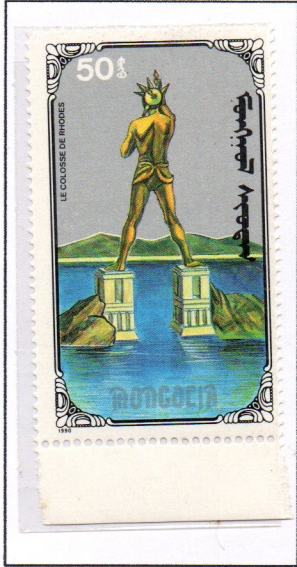


# The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World

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The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, also known as the Seven Wonders of the World is a list of seven notable structures present during ancient world. The first known list of seven wonders dates back to the 2nd–1st century BC. The seven traditional wonders are the Great Pyramid of Giza, the Colossus of Rhodes, the Lighthouse of Alexandria, the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus, the Temple of Artemis, the Statue of Zeus at Olympia, and the Hanging Gardens of Babylon.



The Colossus of Rhodes was a statue of the Greek sun-god Helios, erected in the city of Rhodes. It was collapsed during the earthquake of 226 BC.



Colossus of Rhodes  
(292-280 BC)



The Statue of Zeus at Olympia was 12.4 m tall made by the Greek sculptor Phidias around 435 BC and erected in the temple of Zeus. Zeus is the sky and thunder god in ancient Greek religion. It was destroyed at the end of the 5 AD.



Lighthouse of Alexandria (280 BC)



The Statue of Zeus at Olympia (435 BC)

The Lighthouse of Alexandria was built by the Ptolemaic Kingdom of Ancient Egypt, in the reign of Ptolemy II Philadelphus. It was about 100 metres in overall height. The lighthouse was severely damaged by three earthquakes between 956 and 1323 AD.



The Hanging Gardens of Babylon were an ascending series of tiered gardens, built in the ancient city of Babylon. The gardens were destroyed around the first century AD.

The Hanging Gardens of Babylon (600 BC)

The Mausoleum at Halicarnassus was a tomb built for Mausolus, a satrap in the Achaemenid Empire. It was destroyed by successive earthquakes between 12th and 15th century AD.

The Mausoleum at Halicarnassus (351 BC)



Temple of Artemis (550 BC)

The Temple of Artemis was a Greek temple dedicated to an ancient goddess Artemis. It was located in Ephesus. By 401 AD it had been ruined or destroyed.



The Great Pyramid of Giza (2584-2561 BC)

The Great Pyramid of Giza is the largest Egyptian pyramid and the tomb of pharaoh Khufu. It is the only one from seven wonders of the ancient world surviving till date.