

HERA

Greek name Ἥρα

Latin name Iuno

Name in your language

Parents Cronus and Rhea

Role Queen of the gods

Home Mount Olympus

Attributes pomegranate, diadem, sceptre, throne

Pets cuckoo, lion, peacock

Hera is the goddess of women, marriage, family, and childbirth; she is also Mrs Zeus, the queen of the gods. Initially, when Zeus fell in love with her, she would not want anything to do with him. It was not long before the king of the gods figured out a trick to catch her attention...

Knowing that Hera had a soft spot for animals, Zeus turned himself into a cuckoo and flew “in distress” on Hera’s windowsill. She let the poor bird get in, and in the blink of an eye, she found herself married to the king of gods. And do you remember the contest of the golden apple? If not, check out Aphrodite’s ID. It has to be said that Aphrodite was not the only one to try bribing Paris. Athena offered him glory in battle, too, and Hera promised he would rule over all Asia. Aphrodite simply made a more alluring offer.

