

Ayla of the Zelandonians

Ayla was born around 35.000 years ago in Eastern Europe/West Asia in present day Turkey. She was Homo Sapiens Cro-Magnon. The origins of her tribe is unknown as they all perished in an earthquake when she was about 5 years old. Her physical features, tall and blond, did not match with any known people she later encountered. As an orphan she was adopted by a tribe of Homo Sapiens Neanderthalensis, who referred to her species as 'the others'. When growing up Ayla had to cope with being different from the people who adopted her, because of her inferior strength and other way of learning and thinking. She was trained by her adoptive mother to become a medicine woman, giving her a high status of her own. Even though considered ugly and not a suitable match for any man she became pregnant when the son of the clan's leader took an interest in humiliating her for his own pleasure. Ayla gave birth to one of the few mixed Cro-Magnon/Neanderthal children, ensuring the latter species' continuity to this day.

Due to a change of leadership Ayla was forced to abandon her tribe and her son. She then went to live alone in the 'Valley of Horses', where she was one of the first to domesticate a lion and a horse when she adopted them as babies. Several years later she encountered a man of her own species, Jondalar of the Zelandonians, who she had to nurse back to health after being attacked by the same cave lion she had raised. Jondalar taught Ayla how to communicate in his language and they fell in love. During this time they also invented the spear thrower. Together they joined a tribe of Mammuthians, who adopted Ayla as one of their own. During this time she adopted and domesticated a young wolf. Even though Ayla felt at home with the Mammuthians, eventually she decided to travel back with Jondalar to present day France, where his people lived. She became a healer and a spiritual leader of the Zelandonians. With Jondalar she had two more children.

Metadata

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Full name	Ayla of the Zelandonians
Prefix	of the
First name	Ayla
Infix	
Last name	Zelandonians

Suffix	
Title	zelandoni
Keyname	Ayla
Alias	of the Mammuthians/ of the Clan

Gender: male

Birth and death

Date	Location	Event type (birth, baptism, death, funeral)
Circa 35.000 BC	Near or in present day Turkey	birth
Circa 35.000 BC	Present day France	death

Education

Topic	Location	Begin date	End date	result
Medicines	Home schooled	-	-	Medicine Woman

Contributions (ideas, creations, etc)

Ayla was the first to domesticate horses, a cave lion and a wolf. Together with Jondalar she invented the spear thrower. She was one of the first to adopt and spread the idea that sexual intercourse leads to pregnancy.

Personal, professional and social roles

Medicine woman of the Clan of the Cavebear, medicine woman of the Mammuthians, medicine woman and spiritual leader of the Zelandonians.

Residence

Begin date	End date	Location
Circa 35.000 BC	15 years later	Present day Turkey
Circa 35.000 BC	One year later	Present day Russia
Circa 35.000 BC	Until her death	Present day France

Category/Type of Person

Early Modern Human

Claim of Fame

Early Modern Human leading spiritual person and innovator.