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Ancient Greece

The natural elements were personified as gods of the complete human form, and very human behaviour. It not only hosted singing, music, and dramatic games but also included the worship of the god of medicine, Asclepius. These proportions might be changed slightly, and certain individual elements columns, capitals, base platform, might be tapered or curved, in order to create the optimum visual effect, as if the building was a piece of sculpture.

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Most were small 30-100 feet long, although a few were more than 300 feet long and 150 feet wide. A number of British architects in the second half of the century took up the expressive challenge of the Doric from their aristocratic patrons, including notably at and and Sir , but it was to remain the private enthusiasm of connoisseurs up to the first decade of the 19th century. According to the 1st century BCE Roman architect Marcus , the distinctive Corinthian capital was invented by a bronze founder, Callimachus of Corinth.

Ancient Greece

Temple of the Olympian Zeus, Agrigento, Sicily. The frieze is one of the major decorative elements of the building and carries a sculptured relief. See also: : 3100-395 BCE; : 4500-539 BCE; and : 3500-330 BCE.

Greek Revival architecture

The and vault never became significant structural features, as they were to become in. Furthermore, Ionic columns have more 25-40 and narrower flutes, which are separated not by a sharp edge but by a flat band fillet.

Ancient Greek architecture

The Severe Classical style 500—450 BC is represented by the pedimental sculptures of the Temple of Zeus at Olympia, 470—456 BC. This finely grained material was a major contributing factor to precision of detail, both architectural and sculptural, that adorned ancient Greek architecture.

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