PHILIPPINE MYTHOLOGY

Pantheon of the Gods and Goddesses
Mythological Creatures
Philippine mythology is derived from *Philippine folk literature*, which is the traditional oral literature of the Filipino people. This refers to a wide range of material due to the ethnic mix of the Philippines. Each unique ethnic group has its own stories and myths to tell.
PHILIPPINE PANTHEON. The stories of ancient Philippine mythology include deities, creation stories, mythical creatures, and beliefs. Ancient Philippine mythology varies among the many indigenous tribes of the Philippines. Some groups during the pre-Spanish conquest era believed in a single Supreme Being who created the world and everything in it, while others chose to worship a multitude of tree and forest deities (diwatas). Diwatas came from the Sanskrit word devata which means "deity", one of the several significant Hindu influences in the Pre-Hispanic religion of the ancient Filipinos.
Introduction...

Because the country has many islands and is inhabited by different ethnic groups, Philippine Mythology and superstitions are very diverse. However, certain similarities exist among these groups, such as the belief in Heaven (Kaluwalhatian or Kalangitan), Hell (Impiyerno), and human soul (kaluluwa).
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The prevalence of belief in the figures of Filipino mythology is strong in the provinces. Many common folk attribute psychological problems to these superstitions and considered significant for psychologists in understanding the Filipino psyche.
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Before the arrival of the Spaniards and the introduction of Roman Catholicism in the 1500's, the indigenous inhabitants of the Philippines were adherents of a mixture of animism, Hinduism, and Vajrayana Buddhism. Bathala was the supreme God of the Filipinos, represented by the langit, or sky, but not all Filipinos believed in it. The Ninuno, or the ancient ancestors, were the people who taught Filipinos/Tagalogs who will be in the future; they believed in the supreme God. For the Bikolanos, the supreme God was Gugurang.
Other Filipino gods and goddesses include araw (sun), buwan (the moon), tala (the stars), and natural objects (such as trees, shrubs, mountains, or rocks). However, they were not the Western kinds of gods and goddesses; they were representations for some Filipinos/Tagalogs; or they were representations as gifts. As the Abrahamic religions began to sweep the islands, most Filipinos became Christians, consequently believing in only one God. Other Filipinos became Muslims, especially in the southern islands of the country such as Mindanao.
Filipino mythology gods and goddesses

The famous gods and goddesses of Greek, Roman, Norse, Egyptian, Chinese, and Japanese mythology are the most widespread popular mythology in the world today. These different countries contain different gods and goddesses. Even if Filipino Mythology is not as well-known as the others, they still contain similar elements, such as gods, goddesses, creation stories, mythical creatures and beliefs.
PANTHEON of Philippine gods and goddesses

(in Alphabetical order)
PHILIPPINE MYTHOLOGY: PANTHEON OF THE GODS AND GODDESSES
god of fire; brother of Agwe
AGWE

god of waters
god of the sea, fishing, and seafaring
god of the hunt, the protector of huntsmen
the bird who stirred up the waters and the heavens
goddess of the wind and the rain
APOLAKI

god of the sun, lord of war, son of Bathala, patron of warriors
the shell goddess

ASPENE
god of war
BATHALA

king of the gods, ruler of the heavens, creator of humanity
god of pacts
goddess of beauty
goddess of secrets
Deltise

God of Mambabarangs
god of evil; enemy of Bathala
goddess of love, pregnancy, childbirth, became known as "Maria Makiling" post-Spanish
HABAGAT

god of winds
HALMISTA

god of Magic
god of the morning
god of the sea and the ocean
HUKLOBAN

goddess of death
goddess of agriculture and animal husbandry
god of thunder
Although he is not a God, he is still considered as a high power. He has the power to change destiny at his will.
god of earthquakes

KIDUL
KILUBANSA
god of healing
god of gluttony, food, and eating
LAKAPATI
deity of fertility and cultivated fields
goddess of volcanoes
god of disease, although unlike Manggagaway, he cures them
ferryboat god, ferries souls to hell
god of strength and bravery
godess of war

MANGARAGAN

goddess of war
goddess of disease, poses as a healer and inflicts terror by inducing maladies instead; one of Sitan's helper
god of broken families
one-eyed, beautiful goddess and ruler of the moon, daughter of Bathala
OGHEP

god of mountains and hills
PAMAHRES

god of knowledge
PASIPPO

god of music
the king of the Dwendes of the North
god of trees
god of death
god of hell
SIRENHA

goddess of fishes
god of the afterlife, guardian of the realm of the spirits
goddess of gold
goddess of the stars; daughter of Bathala
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THAT'S ALL.
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