

*The reason why this ancient symbol was present in numerous ancient civilizations is a mystery, which like the pyramids and the metal clamps, investigators have not been able to understand. Bonus: Four Solved Archaeological Mysteries.*

Contact Author Examples of ancient technology The geared Archimedes screw is just one of a host of ancient technological wonders found around the world predating our modern technology by thousands of years This is an ancient wall, exact builder unknown. We are not even sure how they moved the blocks and fitted them so tightly. Romans used a water wheel to lift large amounts of water up to the level of their aqueducts that then delivered it by gravity to regions far from the source. Hints of their origins are also found in sacred writings and carry over technological items into acknowledged ancient cultures like the Greeks and their use of hydraulics and steam or the ancient Egyptian dynasties and their magnificent pyramids. But it does not end here. Recently, a bronze clockwork was dredged up from the depth of the Mediterranean Sea that turns out to have been a working mechanical clockwork orrey with all the known planets of the time. It shows no signs of being a work in process, but an object that has been perfected and even mass produced; yet is the only example we have of an object like this described in the literature of the time. As we advance in our understanding, we uncover some of the mysteries, but there are far more that remain unsolved. As an example, we have solved the mystery of the statues of Easter Island , which are massive and heavy. Perhaps some of what we learned from there applies to more ancient mysteries elsewhere. There are items such as a non-rusting iron pillar in India that long predates modern culture and Indian civilization itself that is one of the oldest continuous cultures on Earth. Not only that, the Vedas and Egyptian hieroglyphs contains descriptions of devices that can be construed as planes, jets, helicopters, rockets and nuclear weapons. This is somewhat vindicated in the plethora of ancient small fetishes that look like contemporary jets. The thirteen crystal skulls that are carved out of single large crystal chunks of silicon dioxide, otherwise known as, quartz are a challenge to the imagination considering that this is one of the hardest substances around. They are all perfect in craving and smoothness and ancient, coming from a time when it is thought that people were no more advanced than being able to manufacture Clovis points. The region once known as Persia, unearthed an item now called the Bhagdad battery and it dates from a time when it is thought that no one knew anything about electrical energy beyond lightning in thunderstorms. There are fossilized remains of what looks like a battery, parts of a laser and other electrical equipment in places where they should not exist at all. The Nazca Lines of Peru were a mystery until a German archeoastronomer solved the mystery; that is except the date of manufacture, which is apparently ancient due to the natural reduction of iron oxide in this dry and hot mountainous region. The magnificent high mountain structures at Macchu Pichu are a mystery of construction due to the massive interlocking stones and their extreme location high in the Andes. How did they get there? How were they so tightly fit together that not even a sliver of metal can fit between stones that weigh up to eighteen tons? And then there is Stonehenge. This raises even more questions. This one is so old that archeoastronomers have been able to determine that it was built in a time when the axial tilt of the Earth was different than it is now. In the middle of the Pacific Ocean there exist artificial islands called Nan Madol, made up from cross laid basalt columns. These massive columns are extremely heavy and challenge our imagination as to how they got there, as no basalt in the area and then were manipulated into place to form an artificial archipelago that has become overgrown with natural flora and fauna. Numerous metallic artifacts of sophisticated alloys that we have just been able to duplicate recently are found in many regions. There are numerous underwater sites, like off the coasts of Japan 1 and India as well that challenge our understanding of history with their mute mystery. Just who left these artifacts and what does it do to our understanding of history? What follows is a selection of some of the interesting finds which are but a few of what exists that tantalize us to this day. Greek hydraulics Greek hydraulics and steam existed more than 2, years before they caught on in Britain in the late 18th century. The Greeks even invented a steam turbine 2, years before Britain and were just one step from developing a full fledged steam engine. Though the Greeks did not use steam to drive anything other than toys and demonstrations, they nonetheless were aware that it could serve as a means of propulsion. However, this

was not shared with the population as a whole and remained the plaything of the Greek court. A massive temple built to the goddess Diana erected at an impact site had hydraulically activated massive doors that appeared to open on their own to worshipers to reveal the massive image of the goddess inside. Hydraulics was usually used for irrigation in the hilly and mountainous terrain of Greece. Information about hydraulics comes from written accounts and from myth, particularly the myths of Heracles Hercules. The stopping of floods and the cleaning of the Augean stables are some of the mythic sources of being able to control massive amounts of water. Pyramids of Egypt Egyptian dynasties that were obsessed with sky watching, built their magnificent pyramids. The oldest of them were constructed in the 4th dynastic period and contain such massive blocks like the granite plug, which cannot even be budged by modern technology. Further, the layout of the main pyramids as a group is patterned after Orion. It is conceded that great surveying skills were needed to map out and construct the whole complex. Also there is an eighty ton obelisk still on its side that they would have erected were it not cracked. How they were to move and stand it up are still much of a mystery. The obelisk still lies on its side in the quarry where it was carved. The great Giza plateau of Egypt is testament to humanities obsession with events celestial. A lot of research has gone into this area since the times of Napoleon. The Pyramids, viewed from the air, map out an almost exact duplicate of the principle stars of the constellation of Orion. Furthermore, the great pyramid in its day marked the passage of Sirius and alpha Draconis. The descending passage was completed when alpha Draconis was visible at the lower end and looking up and directly north to the star. In the year, Polaris will be visible from the bottom of the descending passage. The intervening time of 4, years between the two alignments is recapitulated in the number of pyramid inches from the outer casing surface, now stripped away, to the bottom of the descending passage where it angles to the level. How these ancient civilizations could move and assemble such massive structures as well as accurately align them is still a hotly debated subject. Pyramids are not limited to Egypt. In central Mexico is Teotihuacan, an abandoned massive city of pyramids that housed a large population 1, years ago. The pyramids rival those of Egypt in size and serve the same purpose, especially in astronomical observations. A world wide disaster caused starvation and abandonment of the city. It remains mostly intact because it was never reinhabited. Both the Aztecs and Maya built pyramid cities. Though not as large as Egyptian or Teotihuacan, they served the same astronomical purposes. The Egyptians also used pyramids for burial purposes, whereas the Aztecs and Maya practiced human sacrifice. The Antikythera Mechanism, A working mechanical clockwork orrey "More than a hundred years ago an extraordinary mechanism was found by sponge divers at the bottom of the sea near the island of Antikythera. It astonished the whole international community of experts on the ancient world. Was it an astrolabe? Was it an orrey or an astronomical clock or something else? For decades, scientific investigation failed to yield much light and relied more on imagination than the facts. However research over the last half century has begun to reveal its secrets. It dates from around the 1st century B. Nothing as complex is known for the next thousand years. The Antikythera Mechanism is now understood to be dedicated to astronomical phenomena and operates as a complex mechanical "computer" which tracks the cycles of the Solar System. It is described in Roman and Greek literature, but was regarded as a myth until the discovery of one a century ago. It is a fine clockwork mechanism that shows signs of highly accurate machining that were regarded as a development of 19th century technology. Using the original, a modern day counterpart was manufactured and tested and found to be highly accurate for what it does. This one device shows that there was a skill level that existed in ancient times that was lost over the following centuries only to be painstakingly rediscovered with the advent of the Renaissance and industrial revolution. As the Antikythera mechanism is now known to be a real ancient device, it makes many people wonder what else existed by way of mechanical devices that we read about in world myths, such as in the Vedas. Easter Island Statues Easter Island is the home of antique statue gods that were erected shortly before the arrival of European sea going explorers. The single island is dotted with massive stone statues of elongated and stylized faces, some full trunk statues and others with mysterious hats or head-dress. It is now known with meticulous research that these were carved in situ from the central extinct volcanic flanks, separated from the rock by heating and pouring water to crack the rock and then rolled to the shoreline on the felled trunks of palm trees. They were then erected by sheer brute force and plenty of rope. They were erected facing the sea.

The building campaign had been so obsessive that it destroyed the local ecology that has not since recovered fully, centuries later. After the land was denuded and the fishing dried up, people began to starve and this is recorded in carved emaciated fetishes and the late statues. There are even signs of a rebellion against the building program during its final days. The arriving Europeans found the remnant of an emaciated and diseased population on an ecologically ruined island that recounted the story of their recent past. It stands as a mute testament as to what ecological destruction can do and we should not ignore the warning.

**Non-rusting iron pillar in India** There exists an iron pillar in India that does not rust like all other iron and steel made now with the exception of stainless steel. For the longest time, the mystery perplexed scientists who wondered how such an item could exist from a more primitive past. The pillar is thought to be at least 1, years old, possibly older. Metallurgists at Kanpur Indian Institute of Technology have discovered a thin layer of misawite over the entire surface, a compound of iron, oxygen, phosphorus and hydrogen, which has kept the cast iron pillar from rusting through as does contemporary iron. According to the scientists, the protective film developed within three years after the erecting of the pillar and has been accumulating ever since. After 1, years, the film has grown to about two hundred microns thick, according to the Indian Institute of Technology. The protective film was formed catalytically by the presence of high amounts of phosphorus in the iron, which differs from modern iron containing little phosphorus. The combination of iron, phosphorus, hydrogen and oxygen on the surface protected the iron underneath when the misawite formed 3. We could use this technology today and duplicate it to create long lasting iron parts that do not corrode. This would be a very environmentally sound approach. It may not have been the intent of the makers of the pillar, but we could intentionally do it now based on the reversed engineering from the Kanpur Indian Institute of Technology.

**Ancient fetishes of Planes and Jets** For as long as there have been people, there has been the desire to fly like the birds. Mythology around the world abounds with people flying by various means and flying creatures of all kinds that are not birds. In , a peculiar six-inch wooden object was found in a tomb at Saqqara, Egypt.

### 2: Ancient Civilizations (TV Series " ) - IMDb

1) *The Vinca Culture.* The Vinca culture is the oldest Neolithic civilization in Southeastern Europe dating back to between 5000 and 3000 BC. Unfortunately, not many people have heard of the Vinca, and thus, they are at the top of our obscure ancient civilizations list.

Looking back as far as we can go in recorded history, we will understand that before our advanced society, many others existed on Earth. But just why did great civilizations abandon their mighty cities? Where trade, agriculture, and society were very well defined? Regrettably these are just some of the questions that history cannot offer an answer to. Here we have our list of great ancient civilizations whose mysterious disappearance remains a profound mystery. Many researchers believe that drastic changes in weather caused this ancient civilization to break apart until eventually their cities were abandoned due to lack of food and supplies. Just like many other ancient civilizations, the people of Easter Island were extremely skilled builders, but for an unknown reason, they do disappeared from Earth. After centuries of monument building and social development, researchers believe that the people of Easter Island moved to another place after using up all of the Islands resources. According to scholars, the most distinctive Maya achievements were in abstract mathematics and astronomy. Interestingly, the ancient Maya were one of the earliest ancient civilization to use the number ZERO. There are two theories regarding the origin of the Maya that have been developed in the archeological community: The reason why the ancient Maya collapsed is still debatable, several theories have been proposed but scholars worldwide have a difficult time defining what exactly caused this great civilization to collapse. Most scholars seem to agree that a drought was the main reason the ancient Maya civilization collapsed, but deforestation, famine, and warfare are also possibilities that cannot be overruled at present. The megalithic stone circles are believed to be the oldest temple ever created on our planet and predate Stonehenge in England by several thousand years. The mysterious temple, which consists of three huge stone circles was deliberately buried for an unknown reason in the distant past. What was their true origin? And what was their true age? The San Lorenzo plateau is one of those examples. It is considered one of the most important architectural projects in ancient times. The great Olmec civilization is mainly noted for their giant heads, which have become a giant mystery ever since their discovery. To date, researchers have not been able to understand how the ancient Olmecs managed to create these giant heads and what was their exact use. Just like the Aztecs and the Maya, among other great ancient civilizations, the ancient Olmecs disappeared into the mists of history. At the beginning of the Christian era and for no apparent reason, it is believed that the Olmecs gradually abandoned their sites. The people who settled into the Olmec sites acted in a vengeful spirit, tearing down the Olmec sculptures.

## 3: Ancient Mysteries - Wikipedia

*Unexplained World Mysteries, lost civilizations, ancient ruins, sacred writings, strange artifacts, science mysteries, conspiracies and more Strange Artifacts Science presents the picture of the past in which humanity started from primitive beginnings, and steadily progressed upward in the development of culture and science.*

RSS Alien conspiracies and mysteries of the Mayans The ancient civilization of the Mayans is fascinating in its own right, and perhaps on par with such other ancient societies as the ancient Egyptians or Sumerians. And, much like the ancient Egyptians and Sumerians, there are ample suggestions in their ancient writings and legends of some kind of outside influence, possibly extraterrestrial. When you look at the highly advanced nature of the Mayan civilization, for example, including advanced knowledge of the alignment of the stars and the positioning of the planets, it is hard not to look at such suggestions of alien contact in the distant past in a new light. The ruins of much of the Mayan civilization lay in the middle of dense jungles in what is now southern Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, and Belize. Furthermore, these architecturally precise monuments, buildings, and temples are also astronomically sympathetic and accurate. Where did this knowledge, for buildings dating back at least BC, come from? Further still, how did the Mayans “ supposedly without tools or the wheel “ manage to construct such monstrous buildings in such dense jungle areas? And how, in this otherwise unfriendly terrain, did they achieve such advanced methods of agriculture and irrigation? Were the Mayans really responsible for these ancient cities? Or, like other advanced ancient civilizations, might the origins of such societies stem from other worlds, somewhere in the stars? Before we move on, check out the short video below. It looks at the basics of the Mayans, a most fascinating culture. Many scholars of history, both in the mainstream and on the fringes, now state that the most advanced of all the advanced civilizations, including the ancient Egyptians, Babylonians, and Sumerians, were by far the Mayans, although that statement and assertion is still very much up for debate to some. For example, as well as their advanced forms of agriculture and forest gardens, they made great use of the water supplies at their disposal. They were able to create aqueducts using water pressure which would siphon water from the surrounding rivers, often sending it uphill, so that it would reach the cities. Even water supplies and sewage wastes were separate. For all of their advancements, however, part of their society was brutal in that it relied heavily on blood sacrifices. Might these serpent origins suggest a reptilian link who, if we believe the claims, require the intake of human blood to maintain their human form? Might that explain the rampant number of blood sacrifices in the ancient Mayan world? Palenque And Pakal The Great Although the ruins of the ancient Mayan city of Palenque date back to around BC, the city underwent an advanced transformation in the s under the rule of Pakal the Great, who we will come to shortly. This is an interesting situation and one that can also be found in the ruling lines and dynasties of other ancient societies. And much like certain dynastic lines in ancient Egypt, the origins and background of Pakal are uncertain. Some claim him to be the brother of Ajen Yohl Mat, but if this was the case he should have been crowned king in his own right. Pakal the Great would go on to arguably be the greatest of the Mayan rulers and was the penultimate ruler of the ancient Mayans. He would rule for almost seventy years. The Tomb Of Pakal! One of the most interesting relics of the Mayan world is the Tomb of Pakal the Great. And more specifically, the sarcophagus lid. It shows Pakal himself seated and appearing to look upwards. According to mainstream interpretations, he is preparing for his journey into the underworld. However, many people, certainly those who subscribe to the ancient astronaut theory , believe what the carving really shows is a depiction of Pakal positioned in a very real, nuts and bolts craft. One that may indeed have been capable of taking the Mayan king up into space. Might this suggest some kind of hybridization with an alien race? Perhaps even to such creator gods as Quetzalcoatl? It is certainly an interesting theory, and it is easy to see where the comparison to the spacecraft comes from. Researcher and model maker, Paul Francis would manage to create what such a craft might look like. Firstly, the positioning of Pakal appears to show him in a seated position. Furthermore, his hands appear to be actively manipulating controls. His feet, meanwhile, seem to be pressing down on some kind of pedal, perhaps an accelerator? Might this giver of life have been an oxygen mask for space travel? There are also other bizarre discoveries in locations once a part of

the Mayan world. One of the strangest of these is the discovery of strange stone heads. Of which, thirteen have been found to date. These heads show the faces of people not thought to have been indigenous to the area. Certainly not at the time they were carved thought to be over 2, years ago, at least. Many subscribers to the ancient astronaut theory insist this headgear looks very similar to some kind of space-helmet. Given that, at least according to mainstream history, there was no contact between the Mayans of the ancient world and other civilizations from such places as Africa or China, why were such depictions present in these mammoth stone heads? They must have been considered important for such detail and depictions to have been made in the first place. Or might they hail from a previous time? Is the number thirteen relevant? Legends say, for example, there are thirteen crystal skulls from the ancient world. One of which, incidentally, has apparent Mayan origins. Or what of the constant legends from around the world of twelve followers and one, special, divine, leader? Do they share connections with these thirteen stone heads? And do they suggest a history much different from the one we know? The 3,Year-Old Landing Pad? Although the incident would end in court among accusations of fraud and breach of contract , a potential documentary on the Mayans set for release in claimed to have proof of alien contact in the past between an extraterrestrial race and the Mayan culture. He would claim his partner, Elizabeth Theriot, was attempting to take control of production, a charge she essentially countered. A judge would ultimately rule in her favor. Furthermore, some of the claims of Julia-Levy would face specific scrutiny. In particular, that the Mexican government would release proof of alien contact. Was Julia-Levy simply an eager filmmaker making big claims? Or might his sudden fall from grace have been much more calculated? And what of the claims of Rosado? Only time will tell if any more information is forthcoming. The short video below looks at the apparent connections between the ancient Mayans and extraterrestrial contact.

## 4: Mysteries of Discovered Ancient Technology | Exemprore

*Over the years, Ancient Origins has reported on thousands of archaeological mysteries that have not yet been solved. Here we have chosen to highlight just ten of these ancient enigmas, from lost labyrinths to enormous geoglyphs, stone masonry with exceptional precision, mysterious figurines, and giant spheres.*

And, from looking at just some of the finds in Russia, it is quite remarkable and hard to ignore that perhaps as much as millions of years ago, there were civilizations way ahead of ours. The traces over the millions of years are harder to come across, but when we do, wow! From unsolved mysterious events to odd formation, megaliths and amazing technology before its time, Russia has a LOT to offer the ancient knowledge geeks. There are perhaps stone circles around the world. One has to wonder about prehistoric man traveling the world to build stone monuments and yet they are obviously shared knowledge. How was this possible? My proposal is the ancient ones - the giants- the "Originators" as I like to call them. When we ask, "how could ancient man do this? It was built to years, around the same time as Stonehenge. It may seem obvious to some, but the fact that these sites were apparently constructed, deliberately, to act as astronomical observatories and even calendars of a sort, before the same expertise was achieved in the great foundational empires of antiquity, like the Egyptians and the Greeks, is seemingly strong evidence for attributing greater development and sophistication to these pre-historic cultures. The 7 pillars of Manpupunor in the same region - Ural Mountains, are considered one of the 7 wonders of Russia. The Manpupunor pillars are believed to be a natural formation of nature like these other ones in Russia - above. They are said to be formed by ice and wind. In , hikers took off together in the Ural Mountains and went missing. When their bodies were found after a search, they were found in odd ways, such as having their bones broken with no external injuries, tongue missing, and bare naked. The mystery has been looked at over and over with different theories. They obtained in a three-layer plate, which, according to Chuvyrov, was made by artificial means. The first layer of 18 centimeters is cement or ceramic on the basis of dolomite. The second layer of about an inch - enriched with silicon, to give a picture strength. Microhardness of slightly less than that of corundum. Third porcelain layer several millimeters. Perhaps, in order to create diffused light, to illuminate the card. It is noted that at the plate allegedly plotted map showing the location of Ufa elevated to the modern city Meleuz. This image is a relief, according to modern concepts, you can get it from cosmic heights. It is alleged that on the map Dashka stone marked waterworks system and channel length of 15, kilometers, dams, 12 dams up to a mile wide and powerful water intakes. Rhomboid are designated areas - they were far from the channels. According Chuvyrova - so runways. The map also has numerous inscriptions. It is believed that this hieroglyphic-syllabic language of unknown origin. What the inscriptions say is currently unclear. Some researchers claim that the stone is not artificial, but a purely natural origin, and the system of cracks has nothing to do with the scheme of the rivers of Bashkortostan. A layer of one mineral over another is not something surprising. There are stones, for example, with a layer of quartz on top. There are also "Moonstone" and "solar stone" with the same system of cracks. The constancy of angles proves just natural, pure crystallographic effect. Alexander Chuvyrov calls the age of plate about 50 million years old, but this dating is based on conventional geologic column. He thought that the plate may be of extraterrestrial origin. In the Eastern Urals near a river called Narada, they found 20-year-old tiny spirals made of copper, tungsten, and molybdenum. They are very tiny, about 1. They are estimated to be between 20, years and , years old. Gear dating ,, years? In Southern Siberia in the Khakasis region, a truly shocking find was made. In a coal mine, a gear shift was found inside some coal, suggesting the gear is as old as the coal that formed. In the Siberia region in , an explosion that was felt 40 miles out from ground zero. In the end, it was estimated square miles of forest were obliterate by what is believed to be a space rock detonating in the sky above the forest, therefore no impact crater was found. The Russian version of the Sasquatch is reported most often in the southern portion of Mongolia. They are not reported as tall as our Sasquatch, measuring in around five and six and a half feet tall. They are reported by witnesses a being covered in reddish brown hair and living in a feral state in the forests. Their reported pronounced brow ridges have been compared with Neanderthals. A fisherman hauled in this inch tall figurine dating years old. It was

fossilized and believed to have been a figure of a pagan god found in a region known for ancient finds. It is believed this site might date back more than a hundred thousand years ago! Scientists are playing it safe by saying it could be an ancient structure by some civilization with advanced knowledge or it was done by nature. Researchers did come to believe it might be an ancient powerhouse because of the way it was constructed, vertical plates of the capacitor blocked by horizontal blocks. In the s, this Russian inventor and designer of military technology, was perhaps the most enlightened man of his entire generation, perhaps even ours. He spoke 20 languages fluently, including ancient ones. He died in , and hopefully many of his notes will be reviewed and released. Siberian Ice Maiden "Altay Princess": From 5th century BC, this mummified lady was found in a subterranean burial chamber. This tomb was on the border of China. She was buried with food and with her horses, facing east. Her skin still showed tattoos of deer shapes. She was buried in a beautiful gown and leggings and a 3-foot tall headdress, a fur, a mirror, and deer figurines. For now, they are just calling her Samoyed, of Russian indigenous descent, but still no one has said if her DNA matches that potential lineage. The meadow is covered with remnants of birds and animals that for some reason do not decompose. Vegetation on the meadow is rather scarce, tree branches are charred, animals do not live here, and people who happen to come to the meadow develop headaches and unexplainable anxiety. They say that ruinous energy of the place has something to do with the fall of the Tunguska meteorite. By the evening people developed tingling sensation in their bodies, some developed toothache. Everybody noticed growing anxiety. Shortly after 9PM we approached the meadow. Our radio froze, and we turned back. We spend a great deal of focus on the pyramids, but if you look at ancient man, i. Neanderthal and Denisovans, we find that man was well and truly settled in this region long before we arrived to the continent. Links For More Info:

### 5: Top 10 Mysteries of Ancient or Lost Civilizations - Listverse

*It's possible that whole civilizations, some with advanced technology, have come and gone. At the very least, human culture reaches much further back in time than conventional history admits. There are many mysteries in our ancient past, but there may be clues to that past around the world in the form of sunken cities, ancient structures.*

**Harappa Lost Civilization** 1. It is believed that they were the oldest inhabitants of this area since now hieroglyphics have been discovered that are more than 2, years old. This left physical traces like the Alaca Hoyuk and Hattusa, some of the biggest settlements of the Hittites, those which are believed to have been originally Hattian. Hattian Their population probably existed for decades or centuries under the aristocratic government of the Hittites. They had their own language; however, no written records have been found. It is probable that they were multilingual, maybe to facilitate trade with their Assyrian partners. But the most that is known about them is thanks to the Hittites, who took on their customs and left behind traces. This civilization formed as among the first inhabitants of the area to use agricultural systems and writing, they also constructed one of the oldest cities known in North America, called Mount Alban. Founded in the 5th century BC, the city was home of around 25, citizens and existed for more than 1, years. In Mount Alban, the lowest social classes were governed by a privileged class formed from priests, warriors, and artists. Like many of the civilizations of Central America, the Zapotecs overwhelmed their neighbors through a combination of wars, diplomacy, and tributes. It seemed that there were no reasons for the sudden fall of their culture. Their biggest city was left almost intact by the inhabitants; despite being finally destroyed through years of abandonment. Some investigators believe that the failure of their economic system could have pushed the Zapotecs to find work elsewhere. The rest of the population grouped into various city-states that continued to fight each other until they were defeated.

**Vinca Lost Civilization** The Vinca where the biggest prehistoric civilization in Europe and they existed for almost 1, years. From the year 55BC, they occupied the entirety of Serbia and Romania. They were named based on a village close to the Danube river where the first discoveries were made in the 20th century. The Vinca civilization was the first to dig a mine in Europe. They worked hard with metal and were possible the first civilization in the world to use copper. Vinca lost civilization The Vinca where the biggest prehistoric civilization in Europe and they existed for almost 1, years. The archaeologists also found various buried toys between other artifacts and have realized that the Vinca were very organized. In houses in the Vinca civilization, there were specific places for trash and all the dead were buried together in the same place.

**Hurrian Lost Civilization** Hurrian lost civilization Another civilization that influenced the Hittites was the population of the Hurrians that lived a long the Middle East during the second millennium BC. It is even likely that they existed before this. The names of people and places written in the Hurrian language have been found in Mesopotamian records that date to the third millennium BC. Unfortunately, there are very few traces of their civilization. The majority of what we know about them from the written works of other cultures, including the Hittites, Sumerians, and Egyptians. One of their biggest cities is known as Urkesh and is situated in the North Eastern part of Syria. Urkesh is also known for having been the city where the oldest written Hurrian text was found. It was in the form of a stone tablet and with a statue known as the Lion of the Louvre. Characterized first as a nomadic civilization, scientists believe that the Hurrians could have had a much bigger impact that was originally thought, mostly because their language differed greatly from other Semitic and Indo-European languages. However, at the end of the second millennium BC, almost all the ethnic traces of the Hurrians had disappeared and only their influence on the Hittites remained. Their civilization bears the name of the area in Nigeria where traces of their culture was discovered for the first time. Some theories postulate that the overexploitation of natural resources played an important role in the decline of the population. Whatever the case, scientists believe that this civilization played an important role in the development of other cultures in the area, those such as the people of Yoruba and Benin.

**Nok lost civilization** The most well-known examples of their artistic nature are the terracotta figures that have been found in the area. Also it is thought that they were the first Africans to know how to meld iron, although it is believed that maybe it was introduced to them through the Carthaginians. The reason for this suspicion is that no evidence

has been found it indicate that they melded copper. This was a precursor to the melding of iron is almost all other civilizations.

**Punt Lost Civilization** Punt lost civilization The land of Punt pronounced poont was famous for the production of incense, ebony, gold, and was recognized for being a popular commercial partner with ancient Egypt. Despite that the Egyptians wrote extensively about the land and its people, they never actually said anything about where they were located. The greater part of our knowledge of the Punt comes from the reign of Hatshepsut, the famous women pharaoh that governed Egypt during the 15th century BC. The records on the walls of her mortuary temple contain information of a great commercial expedition to Punt with details very specific and with images of houses in the form of hives on stilts. Also there are carvings on the walls of the temple depicting a scene that showed Hatshepsut receiving marvelous gifts from the land. Unfortunately, archaeological evidence has not been uncovered that shows the location of Punt, even though there have been numerous Egyptian engravings with the name of the civilization, so many researchers hope that Punt can be discovered someday.

**Norte Chico Lost Civilization** Since their creation during the third millennium BC and with a duration of more than 1, years, the Civilization of Note Chico dominated South America in being the oldest sophisticated culture in the continent. They were called Norte Chico by the Civilization that occupied modern day Peru. This Civilization had 20 great cities, advanced architecture, and they gave a high importance to agriculture. Also they developed intricate irrigation systems, sophistication that was unknown in the continent at this time. Norte chico lost civilization Traces have been found of religious symbols in the whole area, especially close to the stone pyramids for which the civilization is famous. There is some debate on whether or not to classify them as a civilization and also what the meaning of civilization is.

**The Elamites** consisted primarily of what is today Iran together with a little part of Iraq. It is one of the first civilizations The oldest in Iran and was founded during the third millennium BC. Limited by the frontiers of Sumer and Akkad, the culture of Elam was similar to theirs, even though their language was totally unique. Even though their independent reign lasted just short of a millennium, very little is known about them because the Elamites were not concerned with documenting their mythology, nor their literature, or any scientific advances. The written works were seen above all as a way to honor the king or to carry out administrative duties. Due to this, they impacted the future development of other civilizations only a little bit, especially in comparison with the Egyptians and the Sumerians.

**Dilmun Lost Civilization** Dilmun was an important commercial civilization at its peak. It covered an area consisting of Bahrain, Kuwait, and parts of Saudi Arabia. Saar still is being investigated, but a great number of the evidence that has already been uncovered dates to the third millennium BC, giving credit to the theory that they had been constructed by the Dilmun people. Dilmun lost civilization Dilmun was an important trader in its times, it controlled the trade routes of the Gulf of Persia and a network of communications that came to Turkey. Large springs of water flow across the area which causes scientists to believe that this could have given rise to the legend that Bahrain is the biblical garden of Eden. In addition, Enki, the Sumerian god of wisdom, was said to have been living in the subterranean waters.

**Harappa Lost Civilization** Harappa lost civilization This civilization also known as the Hindi valley, they were a group of people that lived in parts of what is now Pakistan and India. Their urban areas were insurmountable since it was important for them to plan their cities out in advance. Unfortunately, their culture slowly reduced and scientists believe that was due to the long droughts that they fought for centuries. That, in reality, is the only theory, but also is has helped explain other cultural declines in the area. Their most notable utensils were stamps, generally made from soapstone. They represented diverse animals and mythical animals. Due to its architecture, the ruins of the Harappa civilization provided a model for that emerged after it.

Lost Civilizations Of The World:

## 6: Ancient Civilizations Mysteries: 9 Enigmas of History

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Advanced civilizations appeared several thousand years ago, but much of the mechanical ingenuity we know in modern times began to develop only around the Industrial Revolution a couple hundred years ago. Oopart out-of-place artifact is a term applied to dozens of prehistoric objects found in various places around the world that seem to show a level of technological advancement incongruous with the times in which they were made. Many scientists attempt to explain them using natural phenomena. Others say such explanations ignore the mounting evidence that prehistoric civilizations possessed advanced technological knowledge that was lost throughout the ages only to be redeveloped in modern times. We will look at a variety of ooparts here ranging in purported origin from millions of years ago to merely hundreds of years ago, but all said to show advancement well ahead of their time. This is not a comprehensive list of all ooparts, but it is a substantial sampling. An illustration of a Baghdad battery from museum artifact pictures. As far as we know, nobody else has found anything like these. Ancient Egyptian Light Bulb? The light-bulb-like object engraved in a crypt under the Temple of Hathor in Egypt. Public Domain In , in what is now known as Rockwall Co. He found they were all magnetized the same way, suggesting they formed where they are and were not moved to that site from elsewhere. But some remain unconvinced by this single TV-show test and ask for further studies. Geologist James Shelton and Harvard-trained architect John Lindsey have noted elements that seem to be of architectural design, including archways, linteled portals, and square openings that resemble windows. Nuclear reactor site, Oklo, Gabon Republic. The uranium had already been extracted. They found the site of origin to have apparently functioned as a large-scale nuclear reactor that came into being 1. The water must be extremely pure, for one. Much purer than exists naturally. The material U is necessary for nuclear fission to occur. It is one of the isotopes found naturally in uranium. Several specialists in reactor engineering have said they believe the uranium in Oklo could not have been rich enough in U for a reaction to take place naturally. A portion of the Piri Reis map of Public Domain A map created by Turkish admiral and cartographer Piri Reis in , but sourced from various earlier maps, is thought by some to depict Antarctica as it was in a very remote age before it was covered with ice. A landmass is shown to jut out from the southern coastline of South America. Hapgood " was one of the first to publicly suggest that the Piri Reis map depicts Antarctica during a prehistoric time. He was a Harvard-educated historian whose theories about geological shifts earned the admiration of Albert Einstein. He hypothesized that the land masses shifted, explaining why Antarctica is shown as connected to South America. Wikimedia Commons In A. How exactly it works remains a mystery, but replicas have worked with a precision comparable to modern instruments. No one had felt the quake in Luoyang and dismissed the warning until a messenger arrived days later requesting aid. Baigong Cave, with photo of pipe in the bottom left Caves near Mount Baigong in China contain pipes leading to a nearby lake. They were dated by the Beijing Institute of Geology to about , years ago, according to Brian Dunning of Skeptoid. State-run media Xinhua reported that the pipes were analyzed at a local smeltery and 8 percent of the material could not be identified. Antikythera Mechanism The Antikythera Mechanism is a year-old mechanical device used to calculate the positions of the sun, moon, planets, and even the dates of the ancient Olympic Games. A drill bit had been found encapsulated in coal about 22 inches thick, buried in a bed of clay mixed with boulders about 7 feet thick. The Society decided that the instrument was of a modern level of advancement. Top left, bottom right: Spheres, known as Klerksdorp spheres, found in the pyrophyllite wonderstone deposits near Ottosdal, South Africa. Robert Huggett Top right, bottom left: Similar objects known as Moqui marbles from the Navajo Sandstone of southeast Utah. Paul Heinrich Spheres with fine grooves around them found in mines in South Africa have been said by some to be naturally formed masses of mineral matter. Others have said they were precisely shaped by a prehistoric human hand. The Hidden History of the Human Race. If they are mineral masses, it is unclear how exactly they formed. Iron Pillar of Delhi An

inscription from about A. It remains rust-free and is of an astounding purity. In modern times, wrought iron has been made with a purity of Its carbon content is three times higher than other swords of its time and impurities were removed to such a degree that the iron ore must have been heated to at least 3, degrees Fahrenheit. A hammer was found in London, Texas, in encased in stone that had formed around it. The rock surrounding the hammer is said to be more than million years old. Some limestone has formed around artifacts known to be from the 20th century, so concretions can form fairly quickly around objects, he said. Concretions are masses of hardened mineral matter. Carl Baugh, who is in possession of the artifact, has said the wooden handle has turned to coal evidence of its great age and that the metal it is made of has a strange composition. Critics have called for more, independent testing to verify these claims, but thus far no such testing has been conducted. Workers at a stone quarry near Aix-en-Provence, France, in the 18th century came across tools stuck in a layer of limestone 50 feet underground. The presence of man had then preceded the formation of this stone, and that very considerably since he was already arrived at such a degree of civilization that the arts were known to him, and that he wrought the stone and formed columns out of it. What appears to be remnants of such a bridge have been seen from satellite images, but many say it is a natural formation. Badrinarayanan, former director of the Geological Survey of India, studied core samples from the bridge. He was puzzled by the appearance of boulders on top of a marine sand layer, and surmised that the boulders must have been artificially placed there. No single natural explanation has been agreed upon by geologists. Dating has been controversial, as some say any given part of the bridge such as coral samples cannot give a true picture of how old the entire bridge is. In , three people were out searching for geodes for their gem and gift shop in Olancho, Calif. Virginia Maxey, one of the three discoverers, said at the time that a geologist examined the fossils around the device and dated the device at , years or older. The geologist was never named, and the current whereabouts of the artifact are unknown. Critics of the claim, Pierre Stromberg and Paul V. They think it was a modern spark plug encased in a quick-forming concretion rather than a geode. Prehistoric Wall Near Bahamas? A wall of rock in large, thick block shapes was found off the coast of the Bahamas in Archaeologist William Donato has conducted multiple dives to investigate the wall and hypothesizes it is a man-made structure some 12, to 19, years old built to protect a prehistoric settlement from waves. Eugene Shinn, a retired geologist who worked for the U. Geological Survey, has said core rock samples he took show a dip toward deep water. If all the cores show a dip toward deep water, this would prove the rock formed where it is and did not form elsewhere later to be transported by humans to its present location. His later writings said that all of his samples showed this dip, seeming to prove it is a natural formation. But his earlier study stated that only 25 percent of his samples showed a dip.

### 7: 10 Mysteries That Hint At Forgotten Advanced Civilizations - Listverse

*Let's explore this ancient culture and the amazing advances they were able to make asking the question, were they influenced and assisted by a more advanced technology, were they assisted by aliens?*

They have to do with great formations which are found between 6 and as much as 30 meters of depth which seem to be altars, stairs, paths, and towers, the reason for which there are those who say that they are structures created by some unknown civilization. Other lecturers, like the marine geologist Masaaki Kimura maintain that it could have to do with the ruins of a city which were submerged by an earthquake. The truth is that in December of , nothing else was talked about more than this. Obviously, nothing happened, but the fact is that as was evident, the calendar continues to be a mystery to us. Among others, one of the simplest and most sensible explanations mentions that this calendar of some 5, years in duration, which starts in approximately B. They have a perfect outline, with excellent straight and parallel lines, and very surprising diverse geometric figures. It is believed that each drawing was made with stakes, calculations and cords, while there are those who give free reign to imagination and elaborate all kinds of theories about their origin and purpose, among them, that they are closely related to the existence, visits, and forming of relationships with intelligent forms of life from another planet, or the ancient civilizations of Peru. Submerged city on the coast of Cuba Cuba Coast Mystery Feeding the myths about lost civilizations under the sea, such as that of Atlantis, the news about the discovery of an entire city submerged under the waters of the coast of Cuba became known a few years ago. The news mentioned that a team of Canadian explorers, supposedly contracted by the Cuban government to search for petroleum, discovered what could be the ruins of a city submerged thousands of years ago at a depth of meters and, as was to be expected, did not delay in taking on all kinds of myths and fantastic aspects. There are even those who assert that these constructions are more than 6, years old, which would be preceding the Egyptian pyramids by some 1, years. The nature of these findings still remains in the shadows and very little information can be found in this respect. The find, made by United Fruit Company workers in , sparked a craze to discover what they held inside, and some were even blown up using dynamite only to find a solid block of stone. These perfectly spherical remains of over 15 tons in weight are a mystery even after being examined by historians, archaeologists, and other specialists. All that is known is that they were made by a pre-Columbian civilization around BC. Stonehenge, England Stonehenge Ancient Mystery This megalithic ring may well be a clock, astronomical observatory or ceremonial center for some Celtic tribe, and is over years old. The golden ratio between the structures forming the circle and its position according to the Sun during the summer solstice suggests that the builders possessed advanced knowledge of astronomy. Cochno Stone, Scotland On the surface of a monolith more than thirteen meters long and eight meters wide, hundreds of inscriptions with circles, spirals, ellipses and all kinds of glyphs lie waiting for someone to decipher them and find out who its creators were. Early theories point to this being a ritual site that functioned as a funerary space, while also including a map of the stars and messages in a language still unknown to archaeologists. This structure in south-eastern Turkey lies buried in the mountains and contains engravings, bas-reliefs and animal and humanoid sculptures. The bewilderment increased when it was discovered that it had been buried in around BC, with the aim of hiding it. It redefines the moment when mankind became sedentary. Antikythera Mechanism In , a group of divers found a set of differently sized gears that seemed to be part of a more elaborate machine just off the Greek coast. After international interest and further expeditions, it was discovered that each piece was part of a mechanical calendar calculation system created around BC, with the ability of predicting the movement of the stars and matching them with dates that were important to the ancient Greeks, such as the Olympic Games. It is a unique instrument both in its function and its technology, the like of which would not be seen until at least years later. One by one, these strange figures stretch for hundreds of kilometers and some have been cut through by ancient Roman roads. Experts have dismissed their use as farmyards and retaining walls due to their height, and still do not understand the function of these mysterious lines that can be seen from the sky. Ancient Egyptian Artifacts in the Grand Canyon Egyptian artifacts Grand Canyon Mystery This is one of the most curious and interesting myths, or

assumptions, that I found and although it lacks practically all support, only thinking about such an idea leaves us open-mouthed. We know that sensationalism has no limits and that it is more than likely that it was all a lie. Meanwhile, the only thing we do know is that there are no existing records of any kind to support this, thus it is false. There are innumerable enigmatic questions which still continue to be a mystery for traditional scholars when it comes to ancient civilizations and their development. Here we have some of the most incredible similarities between prehistoric civilizations which shared a universal scientific knowledge, something scholars believe is impossible. Why did ancient civilizations construct pyramids all over the world? Pyramids Ancient Mystery Ancient civilizations constructed similar pyramids in practically the entire world, following a mysterious pattern. One of the common aspects which most surprises people is the construction of pyramids in the ancient world. These majestic monuments can be found in all the corners of the world, from terraced pyramids circular pyramids, and the classics. Almost all the ancient cultures of the world constructed incredible pyramids which challenge our current understanding of some of the most incredible civilizations on Earth. The inhabitants of ancient Egypt, ancient China, the Pre-Incas, Incas, Aztecs, Mayas and many other ancient cultures raised pyramids which still exist today. No one has been able to understand what the true purpose of the pyramids was. Destined to be used as tombs? As monuments to honor the gods? Or is it possible that, as many believe today, the pyramids were constructed in order to make use of the natural energy of the planet and the universe? The mystery around the pyramids gets deeper when you realize that some of them, like the pyramids of the Giza plateau are aligned astronomically. The truth is that, although we have dealt a great deal with understanding the fundamental principles of the pyramids which ancient cultures constructed, we still have no idea how they were capable of raising these majestic buildings and what their true purpose was. The pyramids and their celestial connection There is a certain celestial connection existent among the Giza Pyramids. The same pattern can also be found in the pyramids of Xian. Without doubt, it is more than a simple coincidence. The fact that the cultures and civilizations of the world would construct monuments is something fascinating and the fact that nearly all of them share architectural similarities is simply amazing, but we cannot forget the celestial connection that the majority of them also share. If we focus on the pyramids of the Giza plateau, the pyramids of Teotihuacan and even the Chinese pyramids, we will discover that all of them seem to be aligned particularly to the constellations. In this case we are speaking of the constellation of Orion, which apparently was of highest importance not only for the ancient Egyptians, but also for the ancient Aztecs and their predecessors, ancient China, and other civilizations of the world. How they were able to position these monuments with such precision in order to imitate the cosmos is something that no one has been able to comprehend, and it remains as one of the great enigmas of history. Ancient metallic clamps Evidence of lost ancient technology? Ancient Metallic clamp Were metal clamps used to hold together immense and heavy rocks in ancient cultures around the world? This image suggests it and could prove it. It is believed that molten metal was poured into the fissures in the shape of a T or an X and upon cooling and hardening they held the rocks together. An ancient technology, but very advanced. Dictated by the same teacher? Are these ancient metal clamps real proofs of an advanced technology lost and waiting to be rediscovered? This technology can be found in temples and other prehistoric monuments around the world. What was the true purpose of these metallic clamps? And the most important question which no one has been able to answer is: How was this ancient technology transmitted to other parts of the world? Evidence of metal clamps being used can be found in constructions in ancient Egypt, ancient Greece, Pre-Inca, Inca and other parts of the world. Is it possible that these ancient builders had the same teacher? Do they follow the same pattern just like they did when they began to construct the pyramids? These mysterious slots in the shape of a T have been discovered at Tiahuanaco, Ollantaytambo, Koricancha and at the site of Yuroc Rumi, Vilcabamba. These clamps were also used in the Parthenon, in buildings in Mesopotamia, Egypt, and Cambodia. While scientists are still not sure about the exact purpose of these mysterious T-shaped furrows, some have suggested that they could have been used for some type of ceremonial purpose while others point out that the ancient clamps could have been used to maintain enormous rocks in the correct position. The symbol of the swastika, present in almost all the cultures of the past Swastika Ancient Mystery Contrary to what is currently believed, the Swastika represents peace and prosperity and this was known by many diverse

ancient civilizations around the world. The Swastika, also known as the Gammadion, is one of the oldest and most widely used symbols on planet earth. And if you believe that it is a symbol which represents evil and death, you are very mistaken. The symbol of the swastika represents peace and prosperity and is a very positive symbol. It is considered a universal symbol and was used by numerous cultures and civilizations throughout history. The symbol of the Pine Cone: It is found in nearly every culture around the world Pinecone symbol Mystery The symbol represents the Pineal Gland, this was known by ancient civilizations, and it represents the Third Eye. From ancient Rome to ancient Mesopotamia, the symbol of the Pine is without doubt one of the most mysterious symbols found in ancient architecture and art. According to many investigators, the symbol of the pine points towards the highest level of spiritual illumination possible, something that was recognized by nearly all the ancient cultures around the world. It can be found in monuments and art, including those produced by the Indonesians, Babylonians, Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans. Strangely, the symbol of the Pine had the same meaning for all the ancient cultures, symbolizing the secret vestigial Organ: Four Solved Archaeological Mysteries 1. Strange Acrobat Sacrifices In , Antiquity magazine published a story on the discovery of human remains in a cave in north-western Syria. The skeletons, which belonged to at least three people killed in a sacrifice in around BC, were arranged in strange positions and their skulls had been removed. Experts point out that other remains linked to this type of activity can be found. Screaming Mummies In , archaeologist Gaston Maspero discovered a strange burial site with no identification of its occupant. However, most disturbingly of all what was left of its face had a deep expression of despair, and was mouthing a scream with its mouth wide-open. At the time, theories trying to explain the expression ranged from poisoning or torture right before death, to them being buried while suffering from catalepsy. However, the cause of this horrible expression, which has since been found on many other mummies, is due to the flesh decomposing, which causes the jaw to drop, leaving the mouth open as if it were letting out a disturbing, desperate scream. The disturbing discovery, made up of a series of strange bones still held together by a layer of skin, turned out to be the talon of a non-flying bird known as the Dinornis or moa, and was over years old. The First Chemical War in History In , while excavating in the Syrian site of Dura-Europos, where the Persians and Romans fought several battles in the 3rd century BC, a team led by archaeologist Robert du Mesnil made a creepy discovery linked to chemical warfare. In particular, they had discovered a series of strange tunnels, one of which had 19 bodies that seemed to have died while trying to escape from something. After several investigations, it was concluded in that the Romans had discovered that the Persians were building tunnels, so they began to dig their own to intercept them. However, the Persians had prepared a deadly trap. They incinerated different compounds based on bitumen and sulfur crystals to slowly poison the Romans. The toxic cloud swarmed the Roman tunnels, leaving the first victims of chemical warfare, fought over years ago.

## 8: Ten Unsolved Ancient Archaeological Mysteries | Ancient Origins

*The famous Nazca lines can be found in a desert about miles south of Lima, Peru. On a plain measuring approximately 37 miles long and one mile wide are etched lines and figures that have puzzled the scientific world since their discovery in the s.*

Here we have chosen to highlight just ten of these ancient enigmas, from lost labyrinths to enormous geoglyphs, stone masonry with exceptional precision, mysterious figurines, and giant spheres. Perhaps one day we will find the answers to some of the questions posed by these intriguing sites. For if anyone put together the buildings of the Greeks and display of their labours, they would seem lesser in both effort and expense to this labyrinth! Even the pyramids are beyond words, and each was equal to many and mighty works of the Greeks. Yet the labyrinth surpasses even the pyramids. Yet today, nothing remains of this supposedly grand temple complex – at least not on the surface. Although the words of Herodotus have frequently been drawn into question, the detailed and consistent descriptions of the labyrinth from multiple sources indicate that it is a place that did indeed exist in the ancient past. The researchers have faced numerous obstacles, but it is hoped that excavations can be launched in future in order to potentially shed light on one of the greatest mysteries of antiquity. But is this really what happened all those years ago? To this day, the burial site of Alexander the Great has never been found. If and when it is, it is anticipated to be among the greatest archaeological discoveries of all time. The Enigmatic Nazca Lines of Peru Located in the arid Peruvian coastal plain, some km south of Lima, the geoglyphs of Nazca cover an incredible km<sup>2</sup>. The geoglyphs depict living creatures, stylized plants and imaginary beings, as well as geometric figures several kilometres long. The startling feature of the Nazca geoglyphs is that they can only really be appreciated from the air, raising questions about how and why they were created. Underground cities and tunnels around the world Extensive underground networks and even entire cities have been found all over the world. It spans more than 8 levels going as deep as 80 meters with more than entrances to the surface. In Egypt, the Giza Plateau has an enormous underground system that is a combination of manmade caverns and tunnels as well as subterranean rivers and passages. In Guatemala, kilometres worth of tunnels have been mapped underneath the Mayan pyramid complex at Tikal. In , 24 man-made caves were discovered in China, displaying incredible craftsmanship that would have involved the excavation of 36, cubic meters of stone. Archaeologists have uncovered thousands of Stone Age underground tunnels, stretching across Europe, perplexing researchers as to their original purpose. Legends of vast underground cities being built to be protected by events on the surface appear in the myths and legends of multiple different continents from Egypt to America to China. Could that be the explanation for the thousands of tunnels, caves and underground cities around the world? Further research and exploration is needed to uncover just what these underground networks for used for, why they were built and by whom. Until then, their existence remains a mystery. The subterranean structure is shrouded in mystery, from the discovery of elongated skulls to stories of paranormal phenomena. But the characteristic that has been attracting experts from around the globe is the unique acoustic properties found within the underground chambers of the Hypogeum. Although not known for certain, it is believed that the hypogeum was originally used as a sanctuary, possibly for an oracle. At certain pitches, one feels the sound vibrating in bone and tissue as much as hearing it in the ear. The questions remain – was it intentional? Was the Hypogeum actually designed to enhance amplification? Is it possible that the designers of these spaces knew something that modern scientists are just rediscovering? Enduring Mystery Surrounds the Ancient Site of Puma Punku Around the world, we can find numerous examples of ancient stone-cutting so precise that they rival creations of the modern day produced with advanced machinery. Enormous blocks weighing up to tons, consist of perfectly straight edges that lock perfectly into each other and contain no chisel marks. Attempts to replicate the precision of the stonework have failed and archaeologists, as well as stone masons, are at a loss to explain how they accomplished such precise cuts without advanced technology. The unusual site of thousands of megalithic stone jars scattered across nearly one hundred sites deep in the mountains of northern Laos has fascinated archaeologists and scientists ever since their discovery in the s. The unusual site known as the Plain

of Jars is dated to the Iron Age BC to AD and is made up of at least 3, giant stone jars up to 3 metres tall and weighing several tonnes. Most are made of sandstone but there are others made of much harder granite and limestone. The jars appear to have been manufactured with a degree of knowledge of what materials and techniques were suitable. Little is known of the people who carved the huge containers and the jars themselves give little clue as to their origins or purpose. While everyone recognises the movie as a work of fiction, the giant ancient stone spheres are not. Around spheres are known to exist, with the largest weighing 16 tonnes and measuring eight feet in diameter, and the smallest being no bigger than a basketball. Almost all of them are made of granodiorite, a hard, igneous stone. Since their discovery the true purpose of the spheres, which still eludes experts, has been the subject of speculation ranging from theories about the balls being navigational aids, to relics related to Stonehenge, the product of an unknown ancient civilization or visits from extraterrestrials. Part of the mystery surrounds the way in which they were created as the near-perfect spheres appear to have come from a quarry that was more than 50 miles away and they were created in a time in which metal tools had apparently not been invented yet. However, the biggest mystery remains what they were used for. The unknown origins of the incredible Sajama Lines of Bolivia In Western Bolivia, thousands and thousands of perfectly straight paths are etched into the ground, creating an amazing sight. These line were etched into the ground over a period of 3, years by indigenous people living near the volcano Sajama. It is unknown exactly when or why they were constructed, but they remain a mystery, as it is hard to imagine how the construction of something of such magnitude could pre-date modern technology. The Sajama lines cover an area of approximately 22, square kilometres 8, square miles , with the longest lines measuring 20 kilometers 12 miles in length. Despite the rugged topography and natural obstacles, they are remarkably straight, formed into a web or network. Some believe that the indigenous people used the lines as a navigational tool during sacred pilgrimages. However, there is no firm evidence yet to confirm this hypothesis, so for now, the true purpose of these magnificent geoglyphs remain a mystery. The Venus Figurines of the European Paleolithic Era The Venus figurines is a term given to a collection of prehistoric statuettes of women made during the Paleolithic Period, mostly found in Europe, but with finds as far as Siberia. To date, more than of the figurines have been found, all of whom are portrayed with similar physical attributes, including curvaceous bodies with large breasts, bottoms, abdomen, hips, and thighs, and usually tapered at the top and bottom. The heads are often of relatively small size and devoid of detail, and most are missing hands and feet. Some appear to represent pregnant women, while others show no such signs. There have been many different interpretations of the figurines, but none based on any kind of solid evidence. Inspired by Venus, the ancient Greek goddess of love, it assumes that the figures represent a goddess. Of course, this is one possible explanation, but it is just one of many interpretations that have been proposed. A considerable diversity of opinion exists in the archeological and paleoanthropological literature regarding the possible functions and significance of these objects. Some of the different theories put forward include: Like many prehistoric artifacts, the cultural meaning may never be known.

### 9: Ancient Mysteries | Edgar Cayce Readings | Edgar Cayce's A.R.E. | Edgar Cayce's A.R.E.

*The ancient Greeks may not have been the oldest civilization, but they are doubtlessly one of the most influential civilizations to have ever existed in the world. Even though the rise of ancient Greece came from the Cycladic and Minoan civilization ( BC - BC), there is evidence of burials found in the Franchthi Cave in Argolid.*

Share2 Shares 34K Understanding our past is what historians and anthropologists seek to do. Looking back we will witness civilizations rise and fall, as humanity walks down a very repetitive path of construction and destruction. Still, there are some ancient cultures that seem incredibly alien to us, legends and strange encounters cast nothing but shadow over some of these peoples. Some are said to be very advanced and tranquil only to vanish with some cataclysm and others, despite stories and accounts of encounters, never seem to have existed. Here is a list of mysteries surrounding ancient peoples. But that number is just that – a belief, a theory, not a fact. So when was it built? John Anthony West challenged the accepted age of the monument when he noted the vertical weathering on its base, which could only have been caused by long exposure to water in the form of heavy rains. In the middle of the desert? Where did the water come from? It so happens that this area of the world experienced such rains – about 10, years ago! This would make the Sphinx more than twice its currently accepted age. Bauval and Graham Hancock have calculated that the Great Pyramid likewise dates back to about 10, B. This raises the questions: Who built them and why? Egyptologists point out that the Egyptians would have noticed the cat-like shape, and then carved in the features. On a plain measuring approximately 37 miles long and one mile wide are etched lines and figures that have puzzled the scientific world since their discovery in the s. The lines run perfectly straight, some parallel to one another, many intersecting, making the lines look from the air like ancient airport runways. This prompted Erich von Daniken in his book Chariots of the Gods to suggest that they actually were runways for extraterrestrial craft. More intriguing are the gigantic figures of some animals carved into the ground – a monkey, a spider, and a hummingbird among others. The puzzle is that these lines and figures are of such a scale that they can only be recognized from a high altitude. So what is their significance? Some believe they have an astronomical purpose, while others think they served in religious ceremonies. A recent theory suggests the lines lead to sources of precious water. The truth is, no one really knows. We get the legend of Atlantis from Plato who wrote about the beautiful, technologically advanced continent-sized island back in B. Many, of course, conclude that Atlantis never really existed. Those who think it did exist have sought evidence or at least clues in almost every corner of the globe. Other proposed locations for Atlantis include Antarctica, Mexico, off the coast of England, possibly even off the coast of Cuba see below. The controversy and theories will likely continue until someone uncovers a sign saying: More people fear it, perhaps, than feared the predicted catastrophes of the year What does this mean? The end of the world through some global cataclysm or war? The beginning of a new era, a new Age for mankind? Such prophecies have a long tradition of not coming to pass. Just in case, however, in you might want to do your Christmas shopping early. Upon entering Spirit Cave they discovered the remains of two people wrapped in tule matting. One set of remains, buried deeper than the other, had been partially mummified the head and right shoulder. The Wheelers, with the assistance of local residents, recovered a total of sixty-seven artifacts from the cave. These artifacts were examined at the Nevada State Museum where they were estimated to be between 1, and 2, years old. Erv Taylor examined seventeen of the Spirit Cave artifacts using mass spectrometry. The results indicated that the mummy was approximately 9, years old – older than any previously known North American mummy. Further study determined that the mummy exhibits Caucasoid characteristics resembling the Ainu an Ethnic Japanese people , although a definitive affiliation has not been established. Remarkable finds indicate ancient people migrated from Orient. Although highly intriguing, the truth of this story is in doubt simply because the site has never been re-found. The Smithsonian disavows all knowledge of the discovery, and several expeditions searching for the cavern have come up empty-handed. Was the article just a hoax? It is hard to believe such a story could have come out of thin air. Like Atlantis, there is ongoing debate as to whether it really existed and, if so, where. Native Americans arrived there many centuries before Columbus, and there is good evidence that explorers from

other civilizations beat Columbus here, too. Artifacts have now been found suggesting that ancient cultures explored the continent. Greek and Roman coins and pottery have been found in the U. Ancient Hebrew and Asian artifacts have also been found. Stories of travellers from distant lands in native myths and folklore also suggest probability. The truth is, we know very little about early, far-traveling cultures. Sonar readings revealed something unexpected and quite amazing 2, feet down: A great sunken city? National Geographic showed a great deal of interest in the site and was involved in subsequent investigations. In , a minisub dove down to explore the structures. However, it would be totally irresponsible to say what it was before we have evidence. Skeptics say the large, tiered formations are probably natural in origin which seems crazy looking at the pictures. The architecture includes what appear to be paved streets and crossroads, large altar-like formations, staircases leading to broad plazas and processional ways surmounted by pairs of towering features resembling pylons. If it is a sunken city, it is huge. This article is re-produced with permission from About.

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