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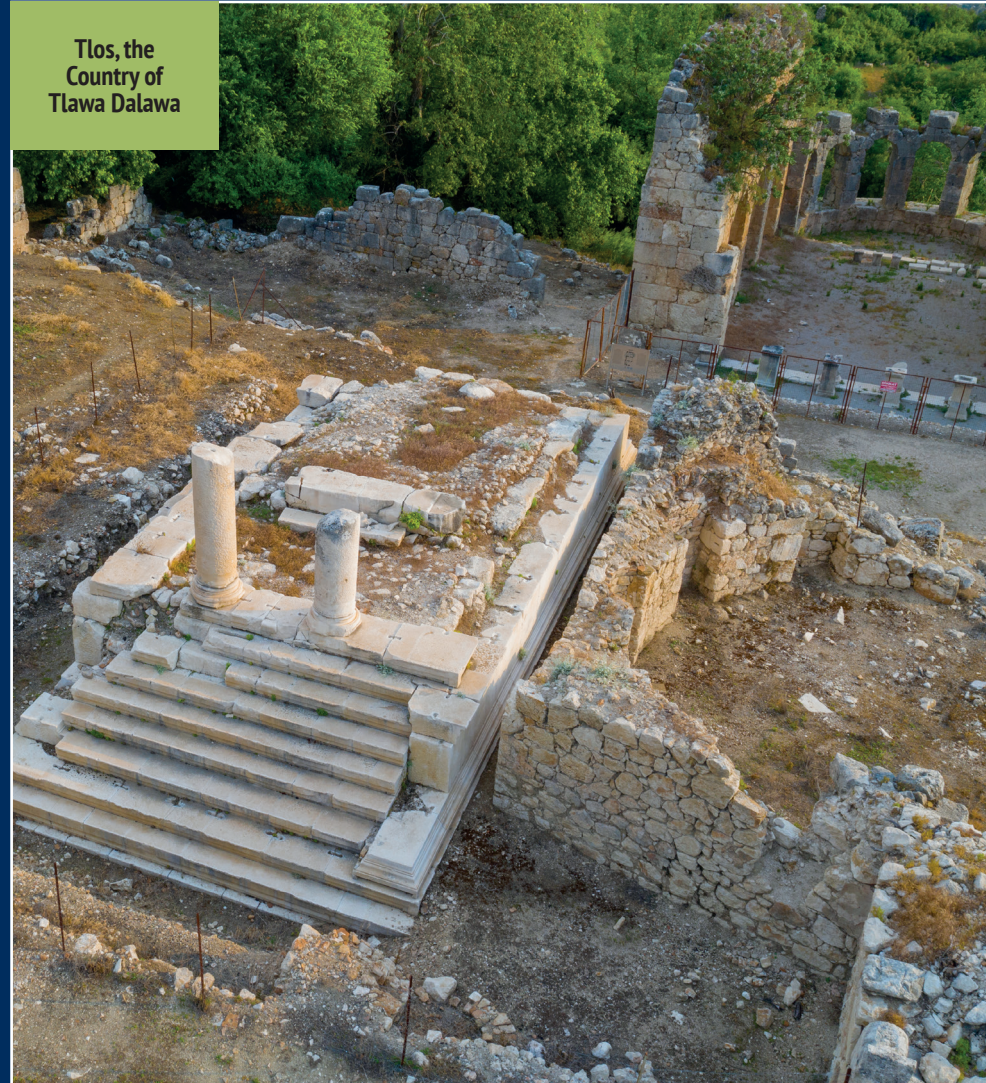
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# TLOS

THE CITY ON THE HILLSIDE OF AKDAĞLAR

Tlos, the Country of Tlawa Dalawa



According to Greek myths, the name of the city comes from Tloos, one of the four sons of Tremilus and Praksidke. The city name of Tlos is derived from Tlawa, a Lycian expression. Tlawa, on the other hand, refers to the "Dawala Land" often mentioned in the Hittite texts. The Hittites settlement in Tlos, which is emphasized in the written documents, has also been proved today with archaeological finds. However, both the archaeological data and the findings in the Tlos territory show that the history of the first people in this region dates back to the periods even before the Hittites.



Bellerophon and Myth of Pegasus

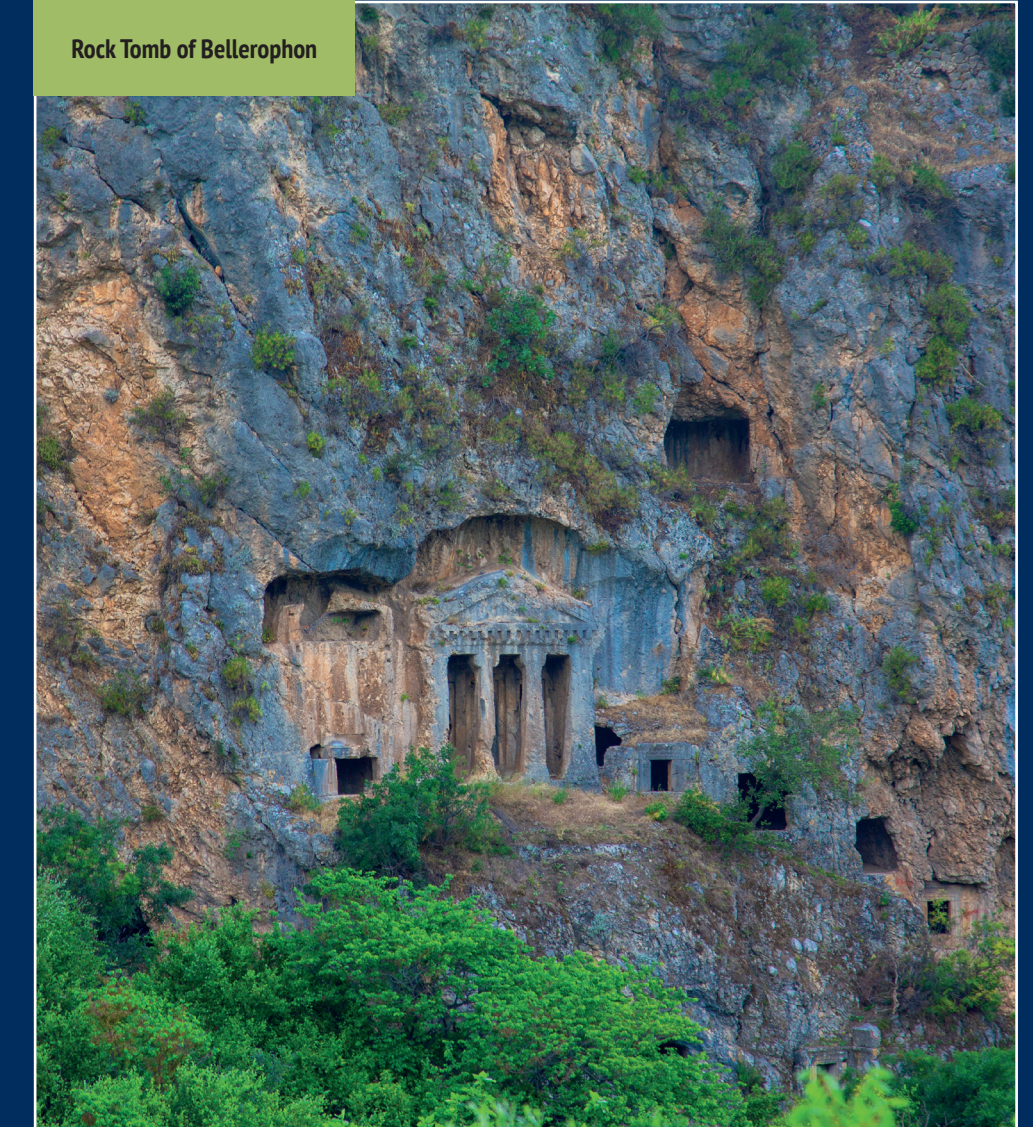


Three of the five sculptures found after the archaeological studies made in the theatre belong to one male and two female.

The male statues, each 2.10 m high, are in military armor and belong to Roman emperors Hadrian, Marcus Aurelius and Antonius Pius.

The adventures of Bellerophon begin when he kills someone by accident. After this murder, he is forced to leave the city and goes to King Proitos to get rid of his sins. King Proitos' wife falls in love with Bellerophon and asks him for a date. When Bellerophon refuses, she complains to her husband that Bellerophon wanted to seduce her. The King then gives a letter to Bellerophon and sends him to Iobates, the King of Lycia. In the letter, Iobates is asked to kill the person who brought it. Iobates reads the letter and asks Bellerophon to kill the monster Chimera. Iobates doesn't think that Bellerophon alone can handle the Beast. But one day Bellerophon finds Pegasus, a winged horse while drinking water from the fountain of Peirene in Corinth, and he gets on Pegasus and starts flying, breathes down Chimera's neck and finally kills the Beast with a single stroke.

Rock Tomb of Bellerophon



It is a magnificent building reflecting the facade arrangement of an Ionic Temple consisting of four columns and located in front of a flattened terrace on the titan rock in the north of the Acropolis.

Grave Stele

Inside the rock tomb, which consists of two side-by-side burial chambers and a front chamber at the entrance, there are deathbeds (kline), as in other tombs.