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# Greek household solar system



## Overview

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The Antikythera mechanism (/ ,æntɪkɪˈθiərə / AN-tik-ih-THEER-ə, US also / ,æntaɪkɪˈ -/ AN-ty-kih-) [1][2] is an ancient Greek hand-powered orrery (model of the Solar System). How did the Greeks build their houses?

Despite living hundreds of years later, the Roman architect Vitruvius wrote down his observations on how the Greeks built their houses in his *De Architectura* (2.8.5), providing us with the most detailed descriptions of Greek domestic architecture. The average house in Classical Greece was made out of relatively simple materials.

How self-sufficient was the Greek house?

Recent scholarship has debated how self-sufficient the Greek house really was, but before the 1990s, many scholars assumed that every house produced all its own necessary goods and services for survival. This assumption is due to biases and ideals found in the primary sources that survive from Athens.

Where can we find information about a house in Greece?

Relevant sources of information for us today are the districts of Delos, Priene, Olynthos, and also of Pella, which have come to light, whose houses cover a long period of time and have as their main structural element the characteristic courtyard, the atrium, the open inner core.

What was a typical Greek house made out of?

The average house in Classical Greece was made out of relatively simple materials. The typical house had a foundation utilizing stone as the main component. One of the most common methods of foundation construction was rubble masonry.

How did Ancient Greek houses differ from common houses?

The ancient Greek house predominantly exhausts all the possibilities of luxury

in the interior, while the exterior remains simple and unadorned with small openings for light. As a result, the houses of the rich were not outwardly different from the houses of the common people.

How did the Greek household plan change?

The change was based on a hierarchy of need. An example of growing complexity in the classical Greek household plan was the andron, a space used primarily for leisure. The major necessities of life, food, shelter, etc., which were the focus of the most basic Greek home, were now being added to.

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