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\_\_\_\_\_ 1. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aphrodite

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\_\_\_\_\_ 2. <http://www.pantheon.org/articles/a/aphrodite.html>

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# Aphrodite

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In Greek mythology, Aphrodite is the goddess of love. According to Hesiod, she was born when [Uranus](http://www.pantheon.org/articles/u/uranus.html) (the father of the gods) was castrated by his son [Cronus](http://www.pantheon.org/articles/c/cronus.html). From the aphros ("sea foam") arose Aphrodite, and the sea carried her to either Cyprus or Cythera. Hence she is often referred to as Kypris and Cytherea. Homer calls her a daughter of [Zeus](http://www.pantheon.org/articles/z/zeus.html) and Dione.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 3. <http://www.mythweb.com/gods/index.html>

The two most recent editions of "The Oxford Classical Dictionary" are at variance over this aspect of the goddess. The 1970 edition sees her as a goddess of war and traces this to her Oriental roots. It is true that she has resemblances to Astarte, who is a goddess of war as well as fertility.

The 1996 edition of "The Oxford Classical Dictionary", on the other hand, offers several counterarguments. It sees her being paired with Ares, for instance, not because they are similarly warlike but precisely because love and war are opposites.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 5. <https://soundcloud.com/#dj-aphrodite>

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