

Megaliths and Monoliths

Course Description

From the dawn of history men and women have been erecting stones to mark the graves of their loved ones, and for a wide variety of reasons we have been erecting monoliths and megaliths ever since. Sometimes they were a single stone, sometimes they were many. And some were just mountainous mounds of dirt. We humans still stand in awe of the remarkable accomplishments of our ancestors. “Megaliths and Monoliths” will explore another dimension of what it means to be human.

Some Possible Topics

What’s a Megalith?

Origin of Megaliths

Distribution of Megaliths

Kinds of Megaliths

Megalithic Tombs

The Moai of Easter Island

Pyramids

Henges

Mycenae

Tiryns

Machu Picchu

Cemeteries

Stonehenge

New Grange

Sphinxes

Obelisks

Reasons for Megaliths

Megaliths in the Modern World

Megalithic Tombs

Carnac Stones (France)

Cairn of Barnenez (Breton)

Construction Methods

Ħaġar Qim (Malta)

Burial Mounds (Silbury Hill)

Asian Megaliths

Living Megaliths (Indonesia)

Cycloliths

Cairns

New World Pyramids

Roman Columns

Natural Megaliths

Menhirs

Great Dolmen (Nordic)

Animal Megaliths

Stone Ship Megaliths

Megalithic Gateways

Broch (Scotland)

African Megaliths

Native People Megaliths

Inuit Megaliths

Extra Terrestrial Origins

Japan Kofun Megaliths

Megaliths and Astronomy