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Greek/ Roman	Sphere	Iconic Attributes	Image
Zeus/ Jupiter	sky, weather, king of gods	thunderbolt, eagle	
Hera/ Juno	clouds & air, marriage, childbirth, queen of gods	crown, throne, peacock, patera (that round flat dish in her left hand)	
Poseidon/ Neptune	sea, earthquakes	trident, fish, horses and chariot	
Hestia/ Vesta	hearth, fire	hearth or altar flames; old woman; hair covered by veil or cloak	
Hades/ Pluto	Underworld, wealth, the dead	scepter, dog Cerberus, wife Persephone, other underworld figures	

Demeter/ Ceres	vegetation, grain, fertility	sheaf of grain, sickle, poppy, torch, crown, daughter Persephone/ Kore	 A marble relief sculpture showing Demeter seated on the left, holding a sheaf of grain, and Persephone standing on the right, holding a torch. They are both dressed in classical Greek attire.
Apollo/ Apollo	music, poetry, prophecy, reason, medicine/disease	bow & arrows, lyre, laurel wreath, beardless, tripod, mouse, raven	 A black and white illustration of Apollo, a beardless young man with a laurel wreath, holding a bow and arrows. He is standing in a classical pose.
Artemis/ Diana	hunting, bears and virgins; later on: the Moon	bow & arrows, quiver, stag	 A black and white illustration of Artemis, a young woman with a bow and arrows, standing next to a dog. She is wearing a long, pleated dress.
Ares/ Mars	war; in Rome: fertility, also	helmet, spear & shield, wolf, snake	 A fresco painting of Ares, a dark-skinned man with a snake coiled around his arm, holding a spear and shield. He is wearing a helmet and a shawl.
Athena/ Minerva	wisdom & craft, war, patron of Athens	owl, olive tree, helmet, spear, shield or aegis (goat-skin shawl, fringed with snakes) with Gorgon-head	 A black and white illustration of Athena, a woman with a helmet and a shield, holding a spear. She is wearing a shawl with a Gorgon head on it.

<p>Hephaistos/ Vulcan</p>	<p>smith of the gods, fire, craft</p>	<p>hammer, anvil, tongs, working, lame (i.e. leaning on a stick, riding, leaning on someone's shoulders, etc.)</p>	
<p>Aphrodite/ Venus</p>	<p>sexual love, fertility</p>	<p>dove, nudity, son Eros/Cupid</p>	
<p>Hermes/ Mercury</p>	<p>messenger of gods; tricksters, thieves, business, travellers; Psychopompos; later on: magic</p>	<p>wings (esp. on sandals or feet), travelling hat, caduceus (the staff in his right hand)</p>	
<p>Dionysus/ Bacchus</p>	<p>wine, vegetation, unreason, poetry, prophecy, theater</p>	<p>thyrsus (that big "pine-cone-on-a- stick" thing in his right hand), wine cup, vine, grapes, ivy, animal skins, women's clothing, leopards, lions, Maenads, Silenoi, satyrs</p>	