Mythology of the

EARTH DRAGON

In earliest myths and cosmologies, the Dragon is all that is pure, neutral, chthonic, undomesticated, original and uncivilized. She is the most organic symbol of the untamed and untamable, the ancient of ancients, First Nature. She is the fire of life in all things, the bearer of the truth, and the "pearl beyond price." Currently, in Vinotok, the Earth Dragon is a representation of the divine and primordial feminine earth energies.

The Earth Dragon is the fierce guard and protector of the natural world, rising up to wreak vengeance on humanity as it misuses, abuses and plunders the Earth. She takes on all patriarchal and greedy, death-dealing characters, acting as champion for, not only the survival, but the thrival of Earth.

The Old-Timers from various European cultures often saw the Butte as a sleeping dragon or griffin which might be awakened when injustice invades the valley.

Marcie Telander, Vinotok Founder & Godmother

Poem for the Earth Dragon

mistress of mischief,
master of elements
malevolent fertile balance

fearless passionate power
of magic and fire's breath
ancient guardian on highest lands

emblem of Earth
strength meet success
legendary existence of auspiciousness

mythic reptilian beast
winged creature of wind
life of abundance in your longevity

beckoner of rain clouds
wild wisdom unfettered
energy embody our valley's prosperity

nature's most original being
benevolent, fabled, ferocity
defy the potent advancement of man

battle blind progress
defend our Red Lady
scaled serpentine harbinger of luck

bring balance to our watershed
grow to match the mountain side
guard great treasures of our underground

ld soul – speak truth
our primordial protector
life has its beginnings in your chaos

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