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Euboia, Chalkis 340-294 BC AR Drachm

B076438 / U02549 3.3 Gm 17 mm

Obv: Nymph Hera r. Rev: Eagle flying, carrying serpent in talons, XA? around, thunderbolt to right

Hera was the Olympian queen of the gods and the goddess of women and marriage. She was also a goddess of the sky and starry heavens. She was usually depicted as a beautiful woman wearing a crown and holding a royal, lotus-tipped staff. Sometimes she held a royal lion or had a cuckoo or hawk as her familiar. Hera grew up to be the most beautiful of the goddesses & Zeus made her his bride. As a wedding present Gaia created for her the famed garden of the golden apples, which the Hesperides & the Drakon Ladon were set to guard. Hera became the mother of Ares, Eileithyia and Hebe by Zeus. Ares was born before the Titan-War and he is said to have defended Olympus against the assaults of the Titans.

