

WORLD'S GREATEST MYSTERIES

Everybody loves a mystery, especially one that has never been solved. In today's world, where science can provide the answers to most questions we have, the unsolved mysteries of the world are even more fascinating to us.

The greatest mysteries of the world show us that there is still much for us to learn and discover about the world we live in!

THE CROP CIRCLES

Starting in the 1960s the people of England were baffled when strange patterns began appearing in farmers' fields. Some of the circles were crude, and some were complex, a few even looked like the DNA double helix. The strangest part of the circles was that nobody knew who or what was making them.

The most popular explanation was that UFOs were making the circles. The mystery has grown because at least some of the circles have been exposed as pranks. Other explanations included the weather and magic. Crop circles have now been seen all over the world, including Australia, the United States and Europe.



THE BERMUDA TRIANGLE

Here is another interesting wonder to the world. The Bermuda Triangle, also known as 'The Devil's triangle', is a 305,000 square kilometre area of the Atlantic Ocean where the disappearances of ships, airplanes, and boats has led to the belief that "supernatural" forces live in this area of the sea. Many planes, ships, and boats are believed to have disappeared in this triangle without a trace. This includes over 1,000 seamen and airmen. In most of these disappearances, no distress signal was ever received from the missing ships or planes that adds to the cloud of mystery that surrounds them. Although wild storms and downward air currents regularly occur in the area, scientists have not revealed anything extremely strange.

While most scholars place the Great Sphinx at 4,500 years old, some believe that it could be up to 12,000 years old. There are even suggestions that it was not originally a sphinx, but a statue of the Egyptian god Anubis.



THE LOST CITY OF ATLANTIS

Atlantis is a name for a large island kingdom that supposedly had been in the Atlantic Ocean many years before it sank into the depth of the sea and vanished within a day and a night!

The lost city of Atlantis was first mentioned by the ancient Greek philosopher Plato more than 2,300 years ago. The lost city of Atlantis is known as one of the oldest and greatest mysteries of the world. According to Plato, the island kingdom existed 9,000 years before his time and mysteriously disappeared one day. It is suggested the city is believed to have sunk into the sea after an earthquake or tsunami thousands of years ago. The mystery of the lost city of Atlantis still captures the imagination of millions and overtime, many explorers have attempted missions to find the underwater island, but whether in South America, off the Greek Islands, or near Antarctica, The Lost City of Atlantis is yet to be found and remains one of the greatest mysteries of human history.



STONEHEDGE

On the Salisbury Plain in Wiltshire, England, here stand numerous standing stones that each weigh a whopping 5443 kilograms! The stones date back to 2500 – 3000 BC and are stacked up onto each other. Who put them there and what their purpose was still to this day remains a mystery. Some people believe that the stones are the result of a glacial movement, others believe it predicts an alien invasion! Most believe it is a burial ground as cremated remains have been found around the site. No explanation has been discovered as of yet.



The Moai, or Easter Island statues, were built between 500 and 750 years ago and are believed to be sculptures of ancient Polynesian ancestors. Averaging around 4 metres tall and 12.5 tonnes, nobody is certain how the more than 900 statues were moved and placed around the island.



Not all mysteries date back to ancient times, in 1980 an anonymous group commissioned the construction of a granite monument in Elbert County, Georgia, in the United States. The large slabs were engraved with guidelines on rebuilding the earth, possibly meant for after an apocalyptic event. To date, the identity of the group responsible for the Georgia Guidestones remains a mystery.



Peru's Nazca Lines are a series of giant geometric designs, some simple shapes and lines others drawings of people and animals, are believed to date back 1,500–2,500 years. It is not known why they were made.

