

CAN WE LOOK FOR THE TEMPLE OF HERMES IN FENEOS

The ancient Greek temple of Hermes in Feneos (Arcadia) must have existed. Pausanias left us clear information about it in his work *Description of Greece*, but so far, it has not been identified archaeologically. This paper is an attempt to use the astronomical hypothesis as an aid in locating it. We assumed that on the axial direction of the temple, it was possible to observe the risings of stars, which have a mythological connection with Hermes. We found information about this mythological connection in Hyginus' work *Poetic Astronomy*. Research has established that there is an area in Feneos where our basic assumption is possible. Did the ancient builders have a similar (astronomical) hypothesis in mind? Time will tell.

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