

Most Cycladic figurines depict **female figures** with their arms folded under the chest. Only the nose is visible on the face, while the toes are pointed downwards. Some figurines with folded arms have a distended abdomen and depict women in a **state of pregnancy.** There are other figurines, which do not have arms and legs, nor a head. They more closely resemble the shape of a violin, which is why they were called violin-shaped.

Most figurines depict females figures. However, **male figurines** have also been discovered, such as the famous seated figurine, holding a cup in his hand, and the hunter who has a weapon, perhaps a knife, engraved over his right arm.

The Cycladic people also made **vases**, **both clay and marble**. Many of the vases have holes in their surface which were used to hang them inside the houses. They also made animal-shaped vases, such as a pig-shaped vase, which was used as a jewelry box. The small marble pigeons that have been discovered, were used to decorate large marble vessels, such as the one you see in the picture

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the next page and match each numbered option with one of the pictures.



- 1. It looks like a violin, but it's a woman
- 2. It is made of marble and has its arms folded
- 3. It is a jewelry box and it also... oinks
- 4. It has flown away from the pigeon vase
- 5. It is a marble vase that they used to hang in their houses



- **6.** She is expecting a baby
- 7. He is off with his weapons to hunt
- **8.** He is making a toast!

