

## Odysseus' Journey

## Books 9-12

Compile a list of the locations/obstacles Odysseus encounters on his long journey in Books 9-12. For each location, identify significant characters/creatures he encounters and any major events that occur.

## Stop 1: Cicones (Book 9, lines 45-72)

Characters: Odysseus, citizens

Events: Plunder

Xenia: none

Length of Stay: 2 days

## Stop 2: Lotus Eaters (Book 9, lines 73-117)

Characters: Odysseus, crew, citizens

Events: men eat lotus

Xenia: dangerous

Length of Stay: brief/under an

## Stop 3: Land of the Cyclops (Book 9, lines 188-630)

Characters: Cyclops, men, Odysseus,

Events: yeah y

Xenia: horrendous - tries to kill them - they both violate

Length of Stay: 2 days

## Stop 4: Aeolus' Island (Book 10, lines 1-87)

Characters: Aeolus

Events: wind bag, Almost makes it home

Xenia: good/bad

Length of Stay:

## Stop 5: Laestrygonians (Book 10, lines 88-145)

Characters:

Events: cannibals eat them - loses 11/12 ships

Xenia: bad

Length of Stay: brief

## Stop 6: Circe's Island (Book 10, lines 146-631)

Characters: Circe, Odysseus <sup>with goddess</sup>

Events: Underworld

Xenia: nonexistent

Length of Stay: ~~1 year~~ brief 1 year

## Stop 7: Underworld (Book 11)

Characters: Agamemnon, Theban <sup>Tiresias</sup> prophet

Events:

Xenia:

Length of Stay: brief

## Obstacle 8: Sirens (Book 12, lines 44-60/180-217)

Characters: Odysseus, crew, sirens

Events: tied up, sirens have an addicting song

## Obstacle 9: Scylla &amp; Charybdis (Book 12, lines 89-121/218-282)

Characters: Odysseus, Circe

Events: battles Scylla, eats 6 men

## Stop 10: Hyperion's Island (Book 12, lines 283-491)

Characters: Helios, cows, Odysseus, crew, Sun god, Zeus, Eurylochus

Events: men starve, eat cattle, Zeus gets in a huff

Xenia: paddish

Length of Stay: monthish week

## Stop 11: Calypso's Island (Book 5, Book 12)

Characters: Odysseus, Calypso

Events: Odysseus is forced to stay on Calypso's island

Xenia: okay?

Length of Stay: 7 years

## Stop 12: Island of Phaeacia (Books 6-12)

Characters: Nausicaa, Odysseus, Alcinous, Arete

Events: story, game/competition

Xenia: good, dangerous

Length of Stay:

Odysseus must win his audience to prove that he is Odysseus and to gain passage to Ithaca