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Ghana was a kingdom in Africa that lasted from the 6th to the 13th century CE, located south of the Sahara desert and northwest of the Niger River in modern day Mauritania and Mali.



—African History – Histoire Africaine

Thanks to the introduction of the camel into the Sahara and its increasing availability and use in Roman times in the first centuries CE, trans-Saharan trade routes (north-south) became feasible, allowing African societies in the Sahel access to the markets of the Mediterranean Sea. As these routes grew more profitable, cities such as Djenne Jenou and Gao arose and in time more complex and powerful territorial states appeared, with Ghana being the first of them.



The people who formed the Ghana kingdom were the Soninke, a subgroup of the Mande-speaking family. They called their kingdom Wagadu, but we know it as Ghana, the name the Arabs gave it. The kingdom's golden age began around 800 CE and lasted for nearly three centuries. Ghana's capital changed several times but the last and most famous of them was Kumbi (or Koumbi Saleh), perhaps founded in the 4th century CE. It became the biggest city south of the Sahara with some 15,000 inhabitants at its peak.



Rise of the Great Ghana Empire – circa 400 AD. The Ghana empire rose to power mainly by capitalizing from the gold trade, as well as copper, iron-smelting & salt.





The trading activities that constituted the backbone of Ghana's economy were the sale of gold, kola nuts (the later "secret ingredient" of Coca-Cola), and ivory to cities along the Mediterranean, in exchange for salt.



The Soninke were intermediaries, as they did not control the sources of most of these products, which came from further south, while the actual transport of the goods to the north was completed by nomadic, camel-riding Berbers.

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**The Civilization called Wagadu was getting it's start better known as Ghana, a Sonniki state.**





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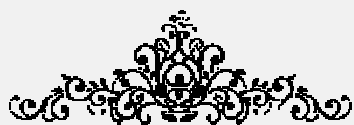
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You wouldn't believe it if you looked on the runway, at an ad campaign, or heck...anywhere, but people of color are buying more luxury goods than ever. Nielsen just released its consumer report on black Americans, and the market research firm's findings were, to say the very least, quite eye-opening. With black buying power expected to reach \$1.7 trillion by 2017, the report notes how increasingly important it's become for brands to market to black people. Sadly, getting companies to realize this has been a struggle. According to the report, \$75 billion dollars was spent last year on television, magazine, internet, and radio advertising, yet only \$2.24 billion was spent on media focused on black audiences. A puzzling figure indeed. [Read More](#)



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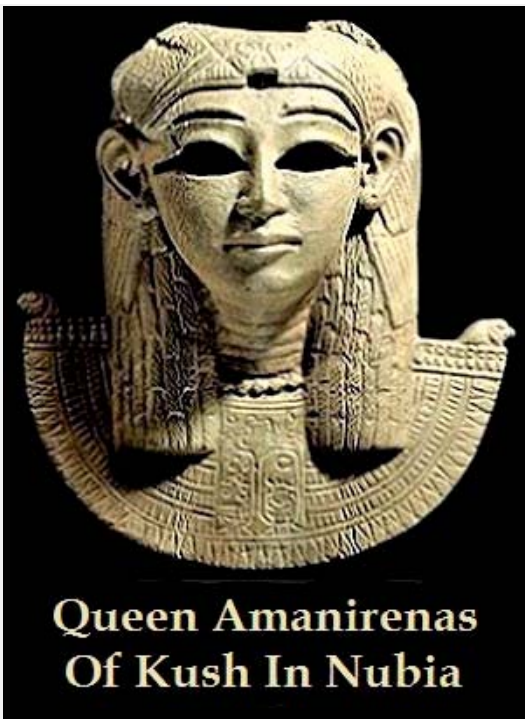
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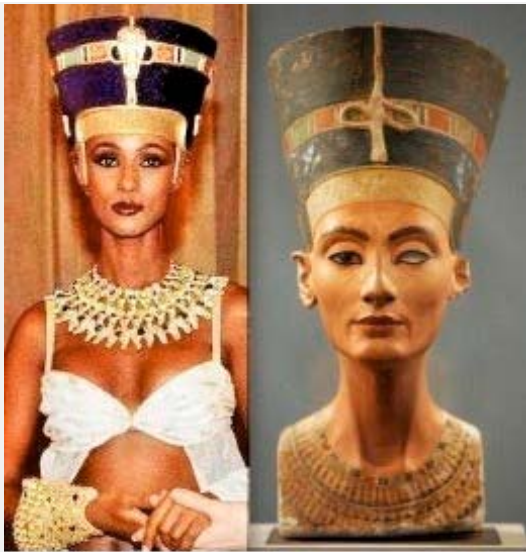




**Queen Amanirenas  
Of Kush In Nubia**

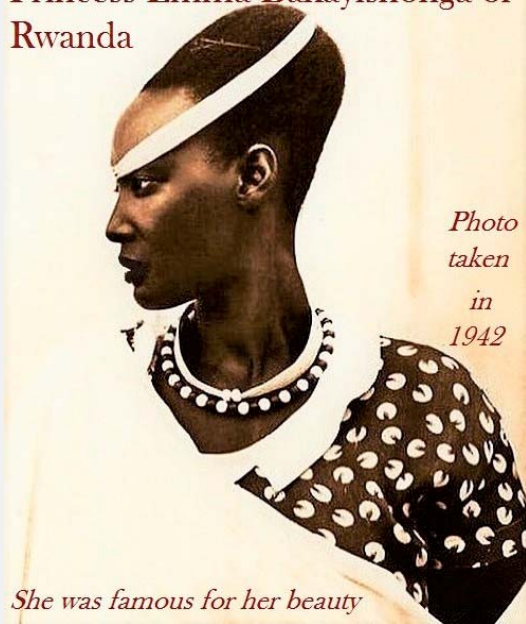


The name Nefertiti means  
“a beautiful woman has come.”



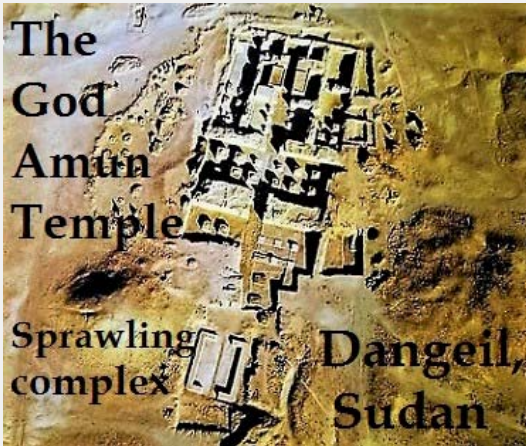
ACCESSORIES ARE TIMELESS

Princess Emma Bakayishonga of Rwanda

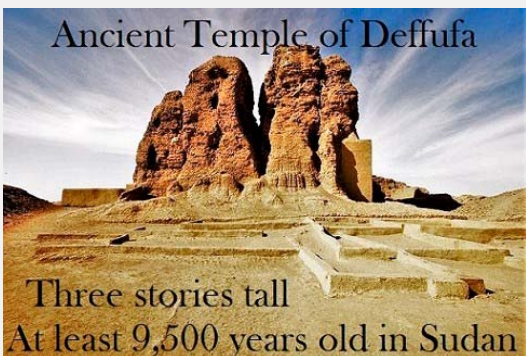
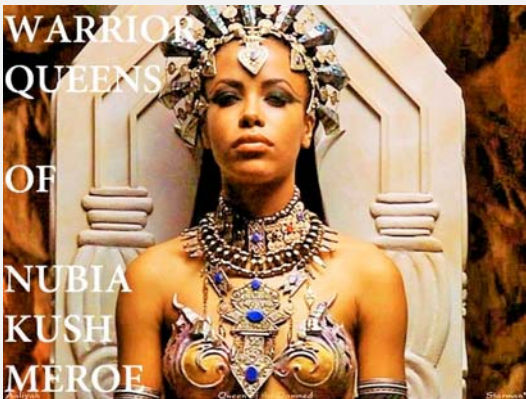


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taken  
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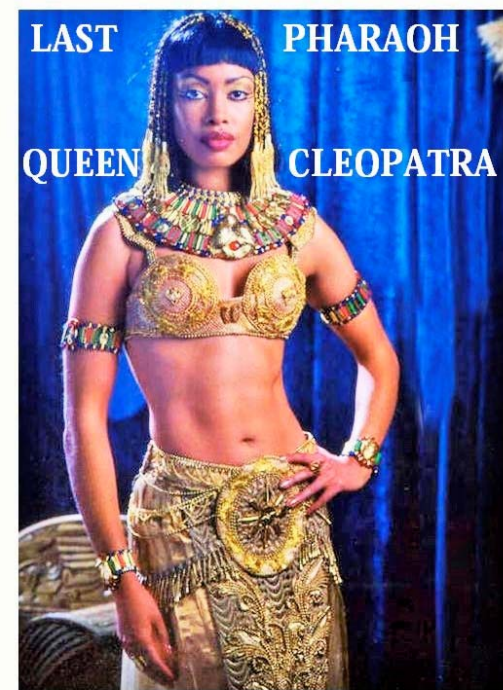
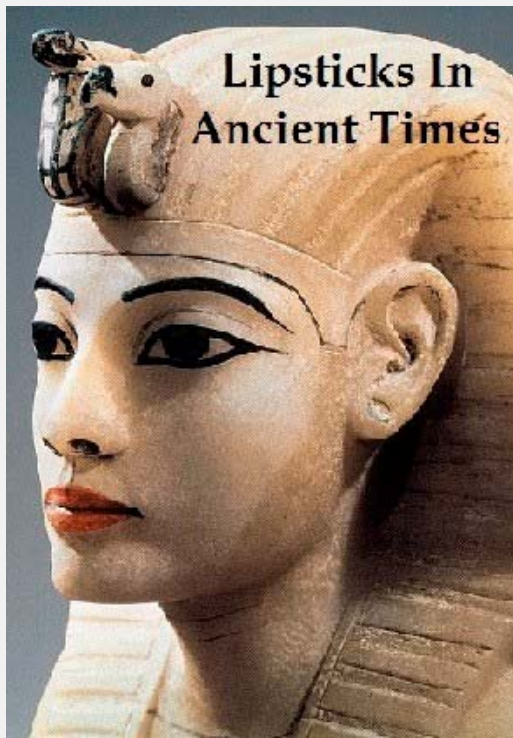
*She was famous for her beauty*



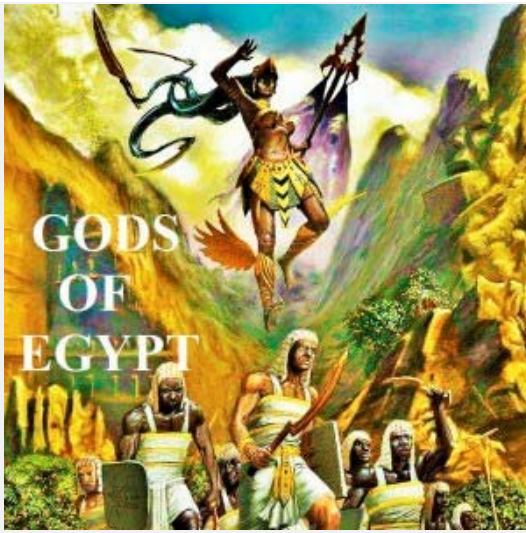
The name Nubian (nub) actually means gold





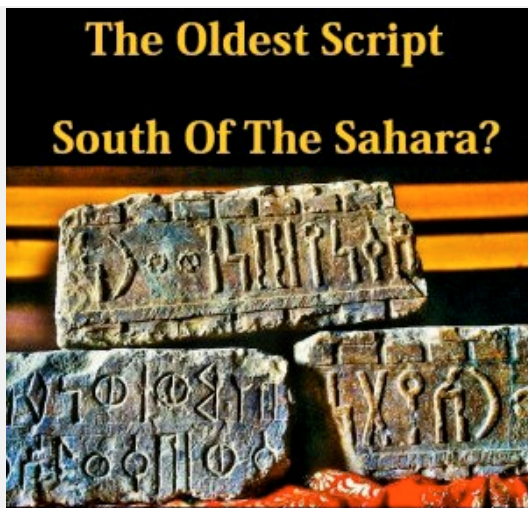


Gina Torres in 'Xena: Warrior Princess' (1995).



**Ark of the Covenant?**

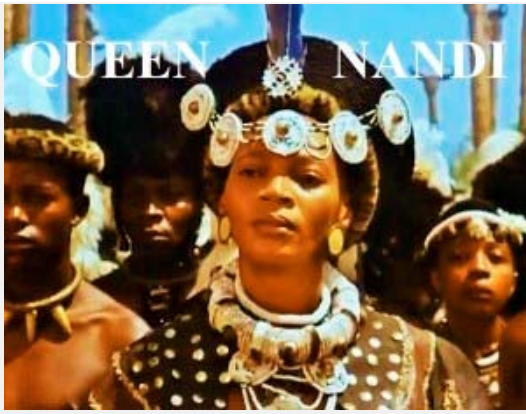




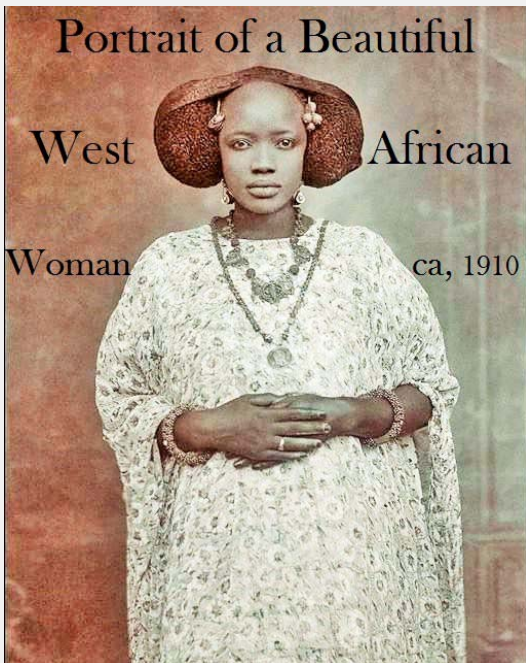
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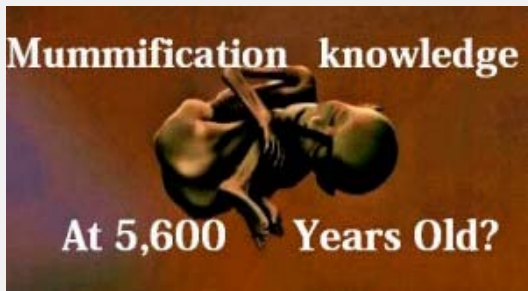
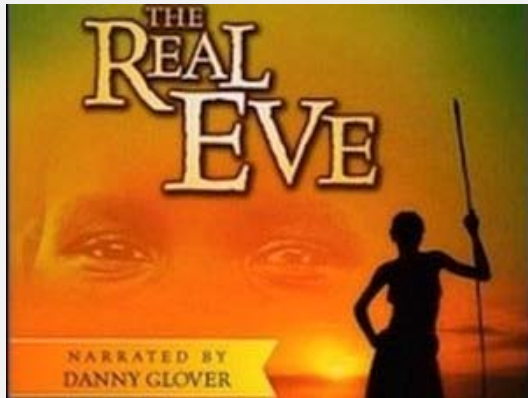
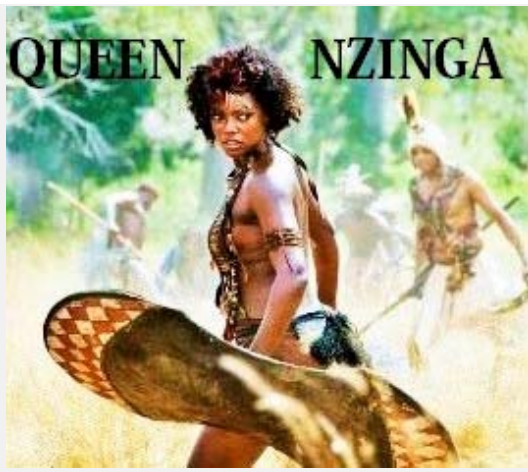


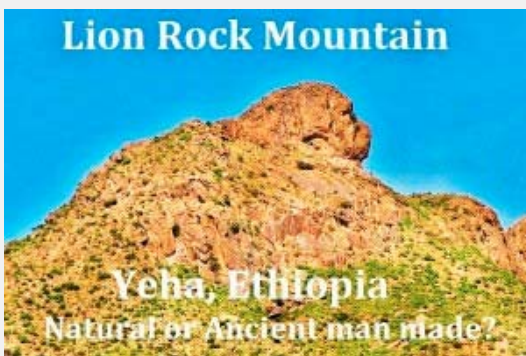
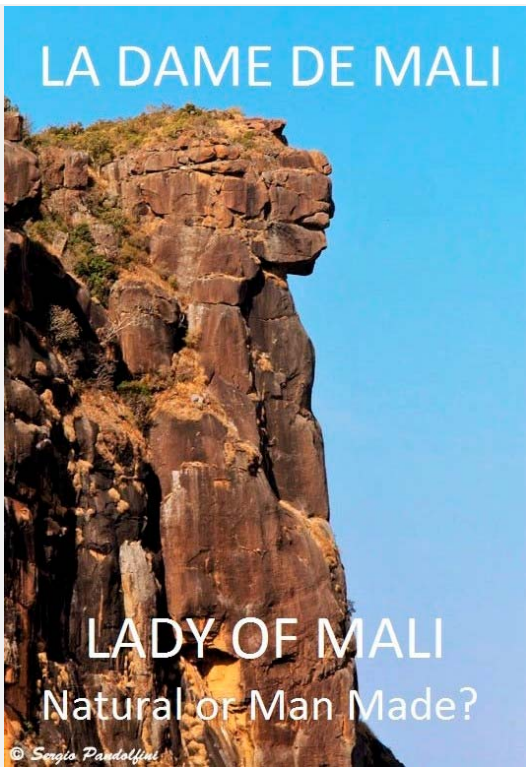




## South African Ruins



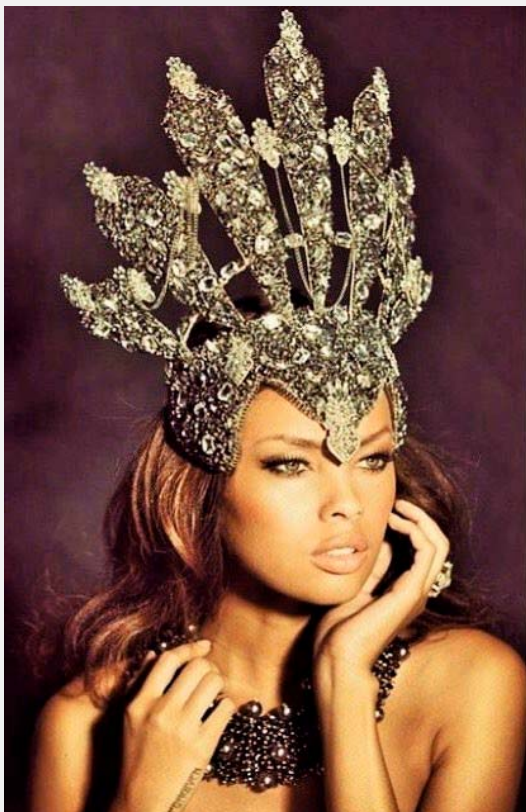
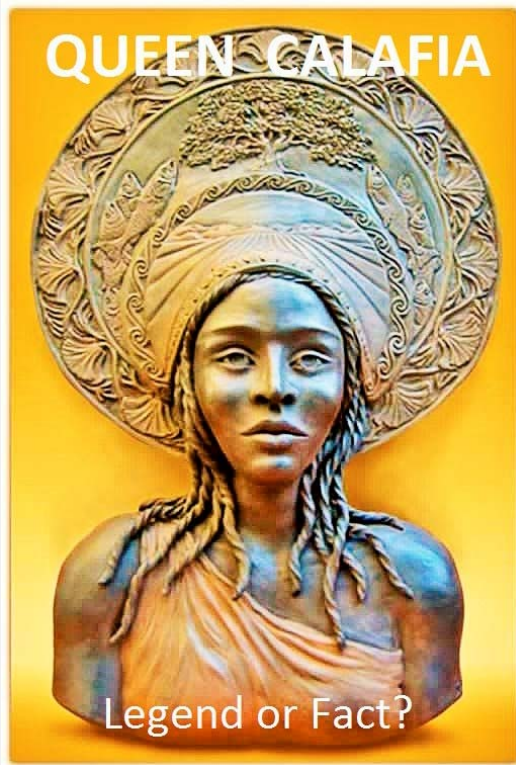


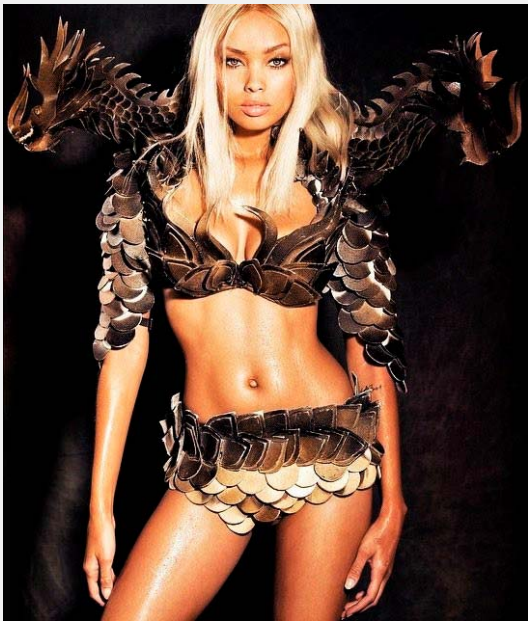


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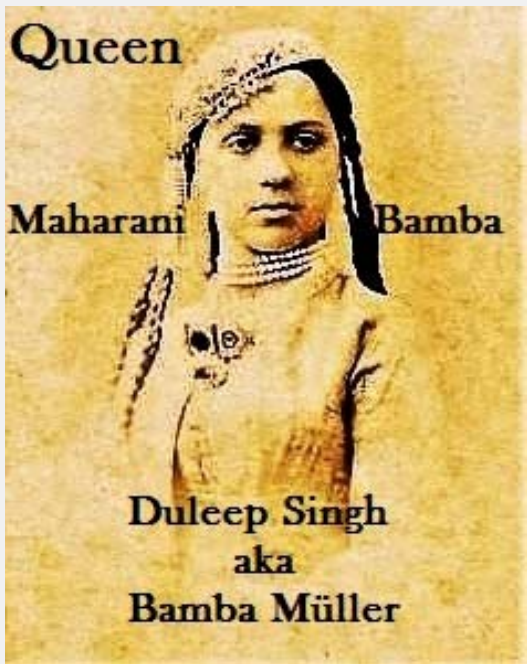
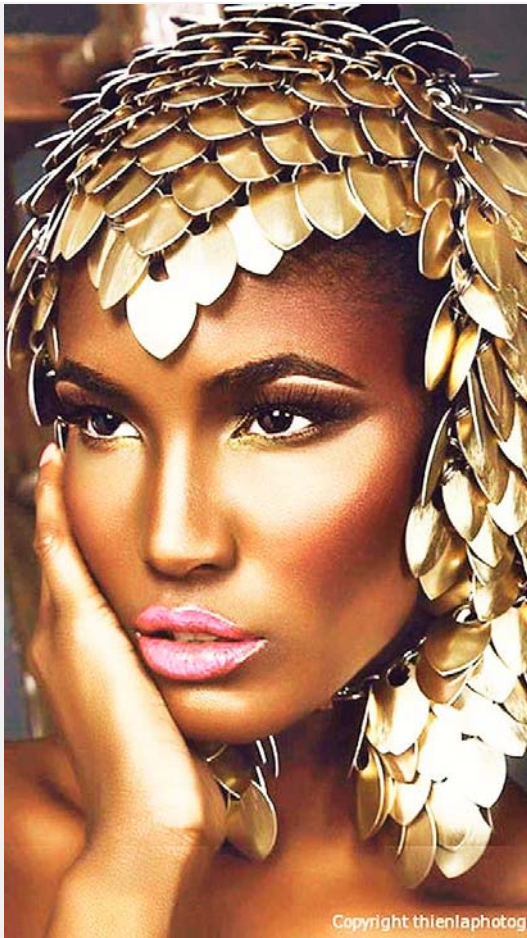


Empress of Haiti Adéline Lévêque 00

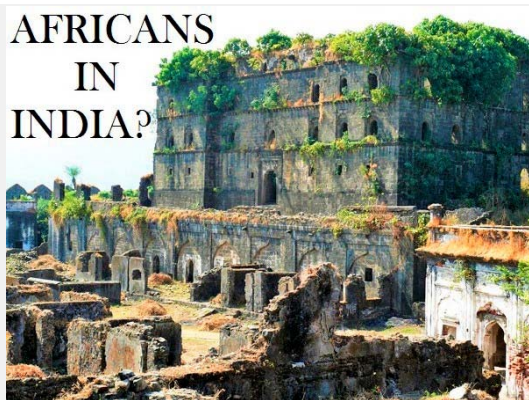


Citadelle Laferrière 100





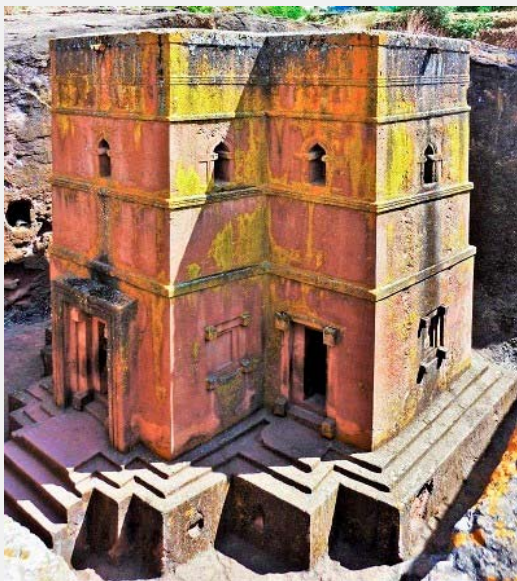




**Negus is an Amharic word for King**



**Lalibela Rock-Cut Churches**







Ras Mäkönnen Wäldä-Mika'él  
7 Emperor's Castles In Gondar



**Dressing Well Is A Form Of Good  
Manners -Tom Ford**



Sultan Said Ali bin Said  
Omar Of Comore,  
Grande Africa

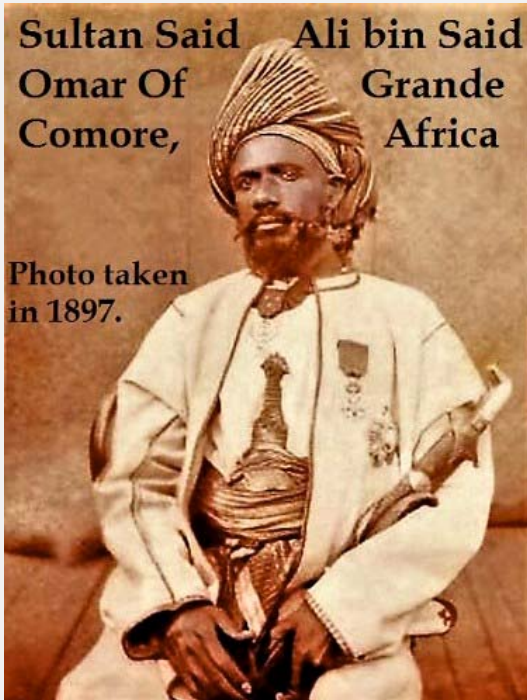
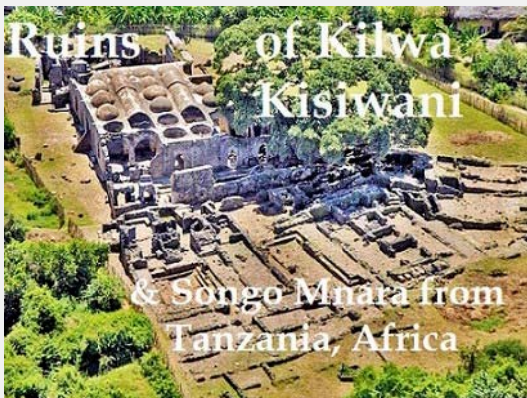


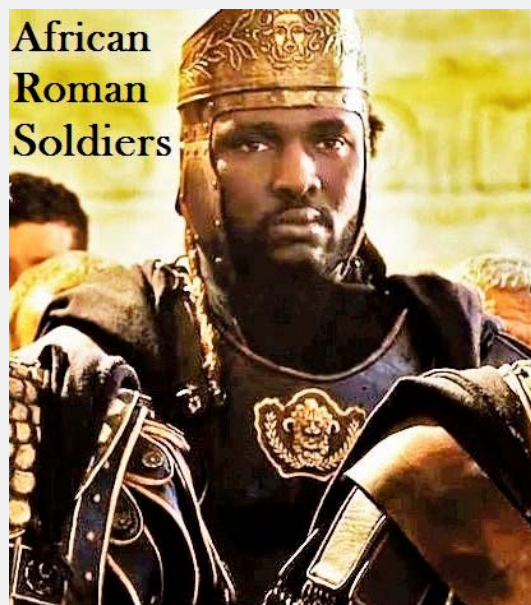
Photo taken  
in 1897.



Ruins of Kilwa  
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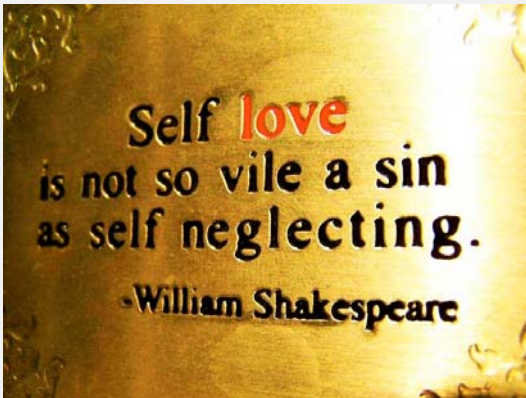
**There was a cavalry regiment  
in the Roman army called  
Ferores Mauri -  
'The Ferocious Moors'**



Just a seeker after the truth



amazon Breastplate 0



Fit people with a physique is much more than how good they look. A well built physique is a status symbol. It reflects you worked hard for it. No money can buy it. You can not borrow it. You can not hold on to it without constant work. It shows dedication. It shows discipline. It shows self-respect. It shows patience, work ethics & passion.

**Take care of your body, it's the only place you have to live- Jim Rohn**

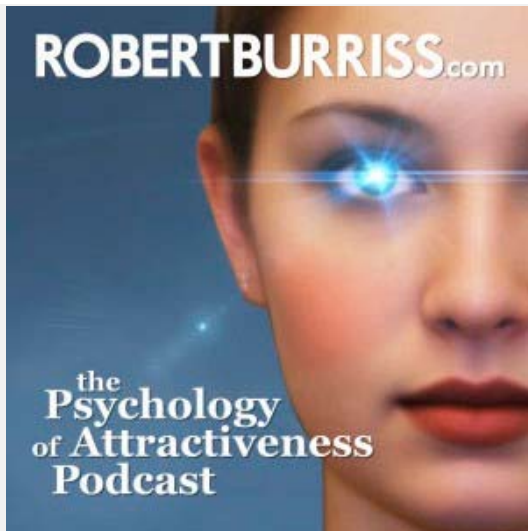


**Beauty comes in all shades**



**Vanity, definitely my favorite sin.**







The word Ethiopia in Greek means burnt face or complexion



*In those days were born unto them beautiful and comely daughters. And the angels, the children of the heaven, saw and lusted after them, and said to one another: "Come, let us choose us wives from among the children of men and beget us children". -Book of Enoch*

The most sacred place in the world is your mind. Guard it ferociously.

-RICK BENETEAU-

## SAPIOSEXUAL

(n.) A behavior of becoming attracted to or aroused by intelligence and its use.



Before you speak....

**T H I N K !**

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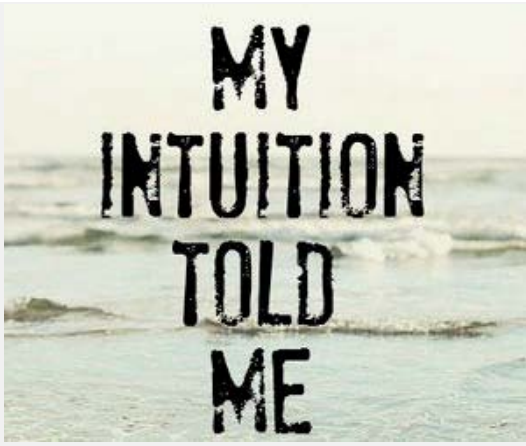
h - is it helpful?

i - is it inspiring?

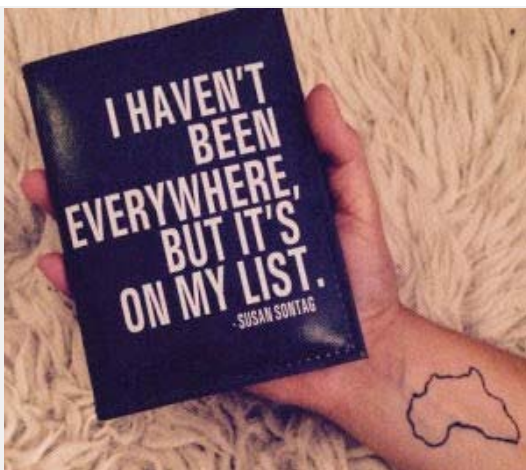
n - is it necessary?

k - is it kind?

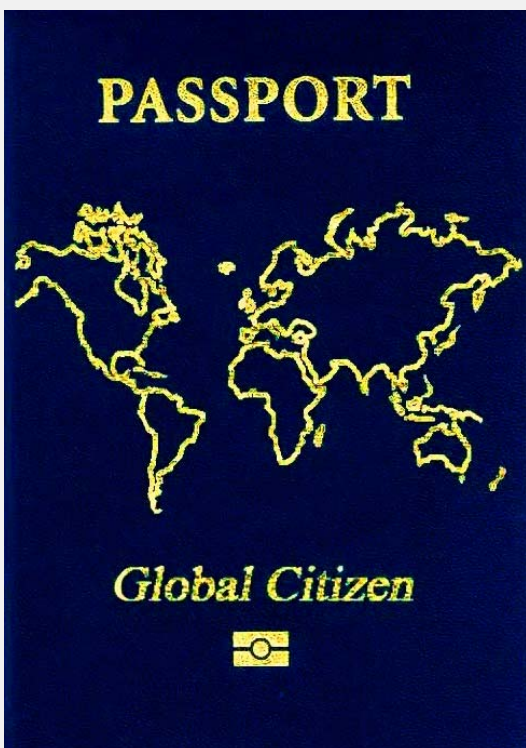


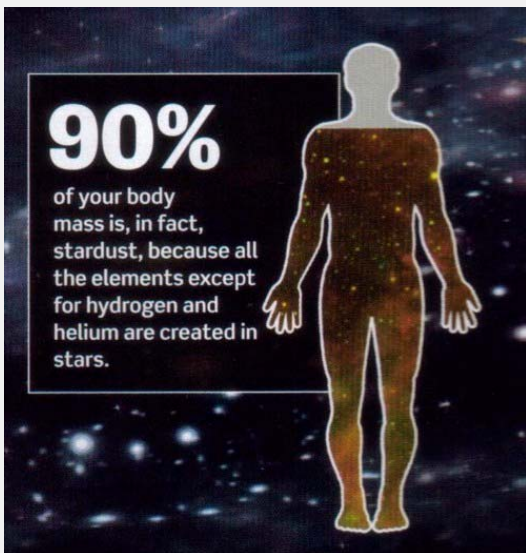
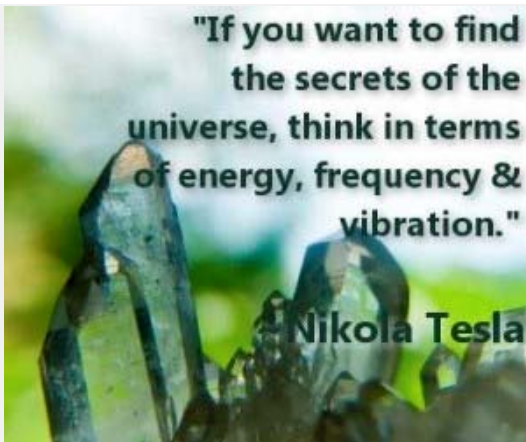


In Latin, the word Africa means "sunny,"

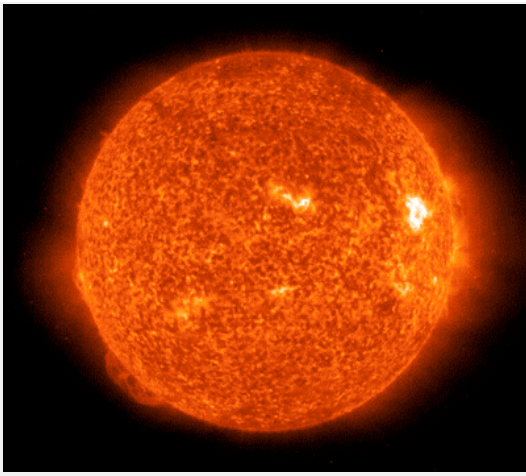


Aphrike in Greek means "without cold."









## **Sun-Kissed by the Rays of Light**



**Be Comfortable in your Own  
Skin And You Won't Hate on  
Others in Theirs.**

**Different doesn't mean wrong.**



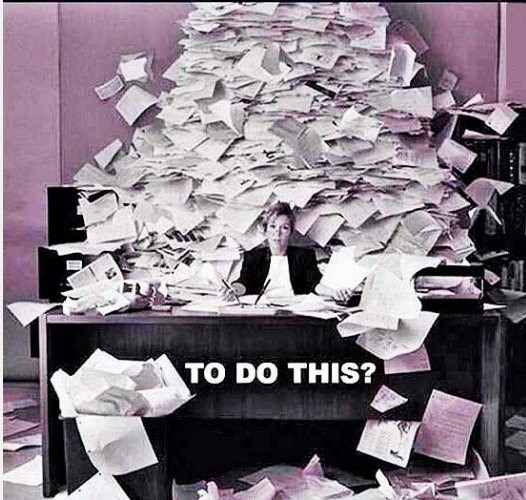
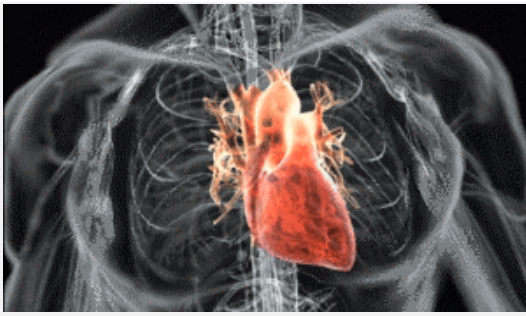
**Polygenic Inheritance**



**Albinism**



**Love Has No Color**

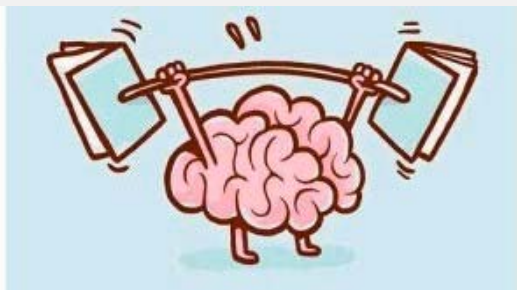


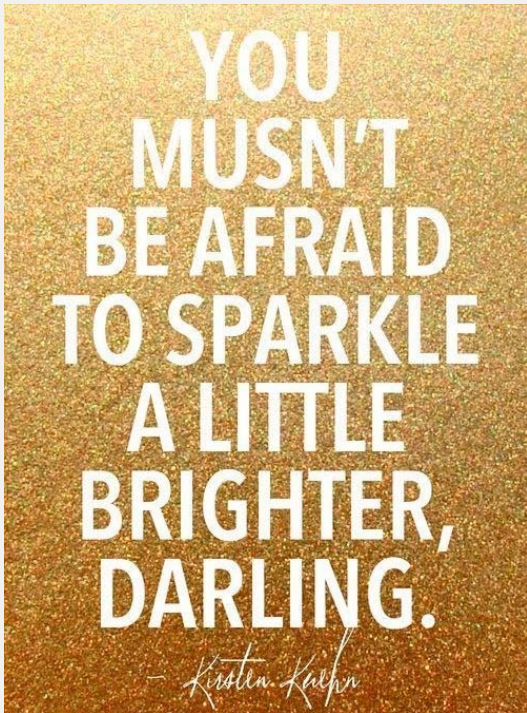
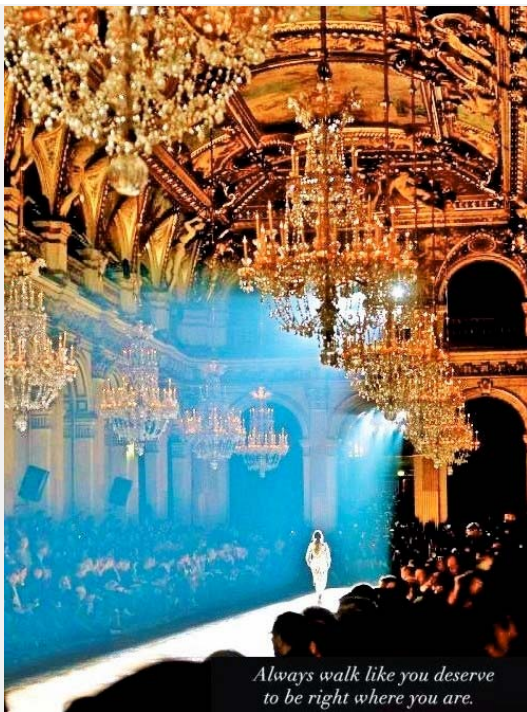






Having a rough day?  
Place your hand over your heart.  
Feel that? That's called purpose.  
You're alive for a reason.  
Don't give up.







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**BE  
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ABOUT  
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