

were spartans gay

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Homosexuality in ancient Greece - Wikipedia

Sexual relationships between adult men did exist, though it is possible at least one member of each of these relationships flouted social conventions by assuming a passive sexual role.

Was homosexuality “compulsory” in Ancient Sparta? : r ... - Reddit

So, we know that Spartan society was deliberately designed in a way that made it an incubator for homosexual behaviour, and we also know that certain forms of homosexual behaviour were an accepted part of the (early) adult life of prominent Spartiates (as they were among other Greeks).

Spartans Are Gay Heroes “A Truth Or Myth” In Ancient History

Spartans’ gay bonding has been a great example of commitment and power. Being one of the popular historical incidents, they have shown the strength of same-gender relationships.

The army of same-sex lovers who made up Sparta's biggest rivals

They were professional fighters, which was quite unusual in ancient Greece. Even more unusually, the Sacred Band was made up of 150 pairs of male lovers, the only known fighting unit comprised in such a way that ancient Greece ever produced.

The Greeks - Homosexuality - PBS

On the night of their wedding, Spartan wives were expected to lie in a dark room and dress as a man - presumably to help their husbands make the transition from homosexual to heterosexual love....

Homosexuality in Sparta - the TRUTH - YouTube

Sparta - a truly fascinating society which seems to have developed a knack for misinformation. Today, we discuss the popular belief that homosexuality was a common practice in Sparta. Please...

LGBTQ+ in the Ancient World - World History Encyclopedia

The Spartans encouraged male-male relationships in the Agoge, the Spartan education program as it was thought lovers would fight more effectively to impress and protect their beloved.

Were the Spartans gay? : r/AskHistorians - Reddit

Yes in the sense that male-male sexual relations were reasonably common, and there was something of the mentor-student thing you mention, but not especially in a military context.

The Ancient Greek Army of Same-Sex Lovers who helped defeat the Spartans

Meanwhile, Xenophon downplayed gay relationships among Spartan troops, explaining that they may fall in love but do not engage in sexual contact. Today, there is plenty of evidence to suggest this is untrue.

Sexuality - Helena P. Schrader

Spartan sexuality was much closer to modern sexuality because it recognized and was unafraid of female sexuality. Homosexuality was not dominant, and pederasty was forbidden -- in contrast to other Greek cities.