

Stones Around the World

There are places in the world where stones have taken on special meaning. Have you ever heard of Stonehenge or Avebury in England? The Rollright Stones or the Merry Maidens? The Blarney Stone in Ireland? The Islamic Ka'bah? The Dolmens in Europe? What about Meteora in Greece? The stone eyes at Homol'ov in the American Southwest? Look at the photographs of these sites below. Why do you think they look sacred? What is it about them that makes them seem magical?



Top left: Meteora, Greece
Middle left: Stonehenge, England
Bottom left: Nafplio, Greece

Top right: Merry Maidens, England
Middle right: Avebury, England
Bottom right: Ancient Corinth, Greece

Research some magical stones of your own!

Magical stones are called amulets in Egypt.

www.toureypt.net/egyptmagic3.htm

Vikings used magical sun stones for navigation.

www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,899649,00.html

Shamans in the Upper Amazon use magical stones called *pedras*.

www.singingtotheplants.blogspot.com/2009/01/magic-stones.html

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