# **Paizomen**

# **Update Notes** #2 (Nov 29, 2020)

# 1. New games:

- Blood and Steel\*
- Champion of the Gods
- Computer Circus Maximus
- Courageous Perseus
- Curse of Issyos, The
- Elysian Fields and Other Greek Myths, The\*<sup>TT</sup>
- Exile of the Gods
- Demigods
- *Gladiator\** (1977)
- *Gladiator* (1985)
- Godfire: Rise of Prometheus
- God Mode
- Gods of Rome\*
- Gods Rush<sup>D</sup>
- Labyrinth of Crete
- Let's Play: Ancient Greek Punishment
- Little Medusa (TBR)
- Madness and the Minotaur
- Mausoleum of the Medusa
- Maximus
- Medusa's Labyrinth
- Midas
- Minos
- *Minotaur* (1981, Apple II)
- *Minotaur* (1981, Atari 8-bit)
- *Minotaur* (1982)
- *Minotaur* (1987)
- Next Penelope, The
- Odyssey: Echoes of War, An
- Olympia Rising
- Phelios
- *RAM!*
- Rome and the Barbarians
- Theseus and the Minotaur
- Tommy's Chariots

#### **2.** New information:

- Assassin's Creed Odyssey
  - notable characters
    - Kallipateira, Peisirrhodos, Ariston/Plato, Demokritos, Polykleitos, Kalydonian Boar, Hind of Kerynia, Nemean Lion, Kretan Bull, Lykaon Wolf, Kallisto the Bear, Erymanthian Boar, Krokottas Hyena
- NyxQuest: Kindred Spirits
  - setting
    - added Aeolia, Thessaly, Argos?, Delphi and Mount Parnassos to 'includes settings like...'
  - notable characters
    - Hestia, Aeolus, Argos?
- Sid Meier's Civilization VI
  - DLC
    - Maya & Gran Colombia Pack (2020), Ethiopia Pack (2020), Babylon Pack (2020)

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# • Europa Universalis: Rome

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# • Glory of the Roman Empire

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# • Hegemony Gold: Wars of Ancient Greece

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### Mytheon

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## • Praetorians

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#### • Rome: Total War

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## • Total War: Attila

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#### 4. Other:

- As the official website for *Gladiux* changed its upcoming release date from 2020 to 2021, I have added a 2021 column to the chronological database and moved *Gladiux* over there. There is no update (as far as I can find) on the release of *Persephone* (the Steam Store page for this game still indicates 'Late 2020' as its release date) or *Siege of Plataea* (although Antiquity Studio has been teasing some upcoming news since September). *Immortals Fenyx Rising* is released on December 3<sup>rd</sup>!
- Added the link to Aritopoulos, A.; Mol, A. A. A.; Boom, K. H. J.; Ariese, C. E. (2019) in *Assassin's Creed Odyssey*.
- Added the link to Lowe (2009) wherever the article appeared.
- Changed the e-mail address on the Contact page to my new work address alexander.vandewalle@uantwerpen.be.
- Updated the About page to reflect my new job position.
- Slightly modified the document 'Paizomen: A Database of Classical Antiquity Games'.
- Added a games count to the Database page.
- Corrected the chronology of *Serious Sam Double D XXL* and *God of War: Ascension* in the chronological database.

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