

DON'T FLY
TOO CLOSE
TO THE SUN



A RETELLING OF THE CLASSIC
GREEK MYTH WITH ORIGINAL
ILLUSTRATIONS INSPIRED BY
ANCIENT GREEK POTTERY!





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ONCE UPON A TIME, ICARUS
AND HIS FATHER DAEDALUS
WERE IMPRISONED



ON THE ISLAND OF CRETE
BY THE EVIL KING MINOS.



DAEDALUS WAS A MASTER
CARPENTER FROM ATHENS.



WATCHING THE BIRDS ONE
DAY, HE HAD AN IDEA.



USING BEESWAX AND FEATHERS,
DAEDALUS CRAFTED A PAIR OF
WINGS FOR HIMSELF AND
ANOTHER FOR HIS SON, ICARUS.



AS DAEDALUS FASTENED ON ICARUS' WINGS TO ESCAPE, HE WARNED STERNLY WARNED: "DO NOT FLY TOO CLOSE TO THE SUN, NOR TOO CLOSE TO THE SEA, MY SON, BUT TAKE THE MIDDLE PATH AND FOLLOW ME."



IT WORKED!
THEY WERE FLYING!



THE SHEPHERDS AND FISHERMEN
BELOW MISTOOK ICARUS AND
HIS FATHER FOR GODS...



ICARUS SOARED
HIGHER AND HIGHER.



OVERCOME BY THE JOY OF
FLYING, ICARUS SOARED INTO
THE SKY, FORGETTING ALL
ABOUT HIS FATHER'S WARNING.



UNTIL HE CAME TOO CLOSE TO
THE SUN... AND THE HEAT BEGAN
TO MELT THE BEESWAX THAT
HELD HIS WINGS TOGETHER.



ONE BY ONE, ICARUS'
FEATHERS FELL DOWN
INTO THE SEA BELOW.



HE FLAPPED HIS WINGS DESPERATELY TO STAY AFLOAT, BUT SOON THERE WERE NO FEATHERS LEFT AT ALL. HE WAS JUST FLAPPING HIS BARE ARMS.



ICARUS FELL INTO THE
SEA AND DROWNED.



DAEDALUS WEPT
FOR HIS SON.



DAEDALUS NAMED THE NEAREST LAND
"ICARIA" IN MEMORY OF HIS SON.
TODAY, THE SEA IN WHICH HE
DROWNED IS CALLED THE ICARIAN SEA.



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