

Athens:

Athens is a large maritime city state located in the Greek Peninsula. Due to a recent discovery of silver outside the city, Athens has been able to invest heavily into its navy. Athens's decision to support the Ionian Revolt and defeating the Persian Army at Marathon is the main reason for the second Persian Invasion.

Sparta:

Sparta is a large militaristic city state in the Peloponnesian Peninsula. Sparta has a deep-rooted military culture and training regime that has allowed Sparta to maintain a strong professional army. Sparta did have an alliance to support Athens during the first invasion at Marathon but was not able to attend because of a religious festival.

Corinth:

Corinth is a large city state located in central Greece. Corinth is the location of the meeting of the Greek City-States to discuss the formation of the alliance and how to defend the city states from the Persian Empire. Corinth has both a strong army and navy which can be essential in the upcoming war.

Thebes:

Thebes is an important city state in Classical Greece as many heroes were born or started their journeys in the city of Thebes. Because of this Thebes has a strong military tradition, led by a special unit called "The Sacred Band". Because of this long cultural impact and trade routes, Thebes has a lot of influence across the Mediterranean.

Delphi:

Delphi is an important cultural center in Greece during the Classical Age, as heroes and leaders across the Mediterranean travel here to get advice from the god Apollo on important choices. And while Delphi does not have a large army, the religious influence that they wield can help guide Greece during the Greco-Persian War.

Olympia:

Olympia is an important cultural center in Greece. Olympia is where the Greeks hold the Olympic games which has helped to not only create strong athletes, but also to help create a Hellenic identity across Greece. Olympia can be a strong neutral city state to help bring all the city states together into one Hellenic alliance.

Argos:

Argos is a naval city state located in the Peloponnesian Peninsula. Argos has a strong naval tradition and supposedly where Jason set off in the Argos, which has allowed them to create one of the largest fleets in Classical Greece.

Pylos:

Pylos is a city state located in the Peloponnesian Peninsula and was the home of King Nestor in the Homeric Epics. While it is no longer as powerful as it once was, Pylos still has a legacy of being a place of great wisdom.

Macedon:

While not a Greek city-state, the Macedonians have adopted the Greek language, culture, and religion into their own. Macedon is also facing an immediate crisis and the Persian army is right outside of their borders. Some in Macedon think that they should submit to the Persians to avoid their homes being destroyed, while others think they should join a potential Greek alliance to resist the Persian army.

Syracuse:

Syracuse is the largest Greek colony in Sicily and holds large influence over the entire island. While Syracuse is not under immediate threat, many citizens of the city look fondly back to Greece and would be interested in joining the alliance. If Syracuse can bring support from the rest of Sicily and help build an alliance with the rising power of Carthage, it could really help in the formation of a Hellenic Alliance.

Mycenae:

Mycenae is the city state once ruled by the mighty Agamemnon during the Trojan War. And while Mycenae is no longer the strongest city state in Greece, the influence, and troops they still have will be essential in a Greek victory over the Persian forces

Cyprus:

While not part of the Greek mainland Cyprus is still a key city state for the Greeks, as it has trade connections all throughout the Mediterranean. Along with their fleet of war and trade ships Cyprus is a naval power that can rival any place in the Mediterranean.

Crete:

Crete used to be one of the most powerful islands in the Mediterranean during the Minoan civilization. Most of their power is now gone but what remains are their elite archers, which are superior to any archers the Greek city states can provide.

Rhodes:

Rhodes is a major Greek trade center in the Mediterranean which has allowed them to build connections with other polities in the Mediterranean. Rhodes also has a professional trade navy that can sail the Mediterranean Sea with ease.

Megara:

Megara is a city state that fields a large army of semi-professional soldiers. Though because of its location between Sparta and Athens both city states have attempted to put their own influence on the city-state.

Ithaca:

Ithaca is located on an island off the west coast of Greece and was where the hero Odysseus ruled during the Trojan War. Ithaca still maintains a fleet of ships and a small army of warriors that could serve as a piratical force.

Phthia:

Phthia is the Greek city state heroes such as Achilles are from and because of this Phthia has a strong military tradition. The image and legacy of Achilles is still very important to the people of Phthia and can be used as a banner to rally all the Greek states together.

Eretria:

Eretria is a Greek city state with a semi-professional army large, made up of citizen soldiers who can fight for only a part of the year. Eretria also has political connections with Carthage which could help to bring a strong ally to your effort.

Halicarnassus:

Halicarnassus is one of the most important Greek colonies in Ionia and as such is currently under Persian rule. But for the most part Halicarnassus is still able to rule itself without influence from the Persian Empire, this self-rule can allow Halicarnassus to gather intelligence for the Greek city-states back in Greece.

Plataea:

Plataea is an important strategic city state as it is located near a large plain. This plain can serve as a last resort military stand to try and defeat the Persian army. Plataea also produces a large amount of food which can allow other city states to keep their soldiers active longer.

Chaeronea:

Chaeronea is a naval city state that has a trade network reaching out to the Persian province of Egypt. This connection can help to support a revolt in Egypt, as Egypt is unhappy being ruled by the Persian Empire. While Chaeronea does not have a large army currently because of trade they can equip citizens in Chaeronea into temporary soldiers.

Thespieae:

Thespieae is a small Greek City state located in Boeotia. Because of Thespieae's location they are closer in distance than most of other city states to Persian Army, and as such the citizens want an alliance to help maintain their independence. While your army is small, it is made up of professional soldiers who can fight year-round.