Chronology

Dates may be approximate or merely traditional. Use for orientation only.

	Greece	*Troy / Ionia*	
	MYCENAEAN PERIOD		
1100		Fall of Troy VIa	1100
1000	**DORIAN INCURSION; DARK AGE BEGINS** *Complete loss of Mycenaean military tradition*		
900	Single songs of Trojan War heroes		
		Greeks to Ionia Single Songs of Trojan War	850
800		Repertoire of Trojan War Songs	800
	HELLENIC AGE; GREEK RECOVERY		
776	First Olympian Games (Sparta)		
750	Limited use of writing (Wace 554)		
		Homer: Menis	750
735	First Greek colonies in Sicily		
		Homeridae, center at Chios Odyssey; reflects peace culture Odyssean additions to Menis Iliad and Odyssey both exist	725
700	Homer known at Sparta		
675	Hesiod (Boeotia) aware of Iliad		
600		Alcaeus (Lesbos), Homerisms	600
	Tyrtaeus (Sparta) q Id 8:29-34, (16:215-217) Acman (Sparta) q Od		
566	First Panathenaea Festival (Athens)		
525	add Homer under Hipparchus	Athenian additions to Homer	525
	Athens the cultural rival of Sparta		
500			
448	Persia recognizes Athenian Empire		
440	Euripides' Rhesus adapts Iliad 10		
440	Herodotus: Histories		
400			
347	d Plato		
320	d Alexander the Great		
300	**HELLENISTIC AGE**		
250	Zenodotus at Alexandria; modern criticism begins		
225	Aristarchus establishes standard text of Homer		