

NOATUN

Noatun is the home of the god Njord. Njord's name means "power and strength", he is of the vanirs and the god of the sea, weather, wealth, trade, shipping, and fishing. He led an irregular sex life and the oldest children, Frej and Freja, he had with his first wife, who according to some sources is said to be his sister Njörd (Nerthus). In total, he has ten children with different mothers. Njord was a highly respected god, who was honored at many places of worship in Sweden and Norway, something that many place names prove today, for example, Nälsta, Närtuna, Mjärdevi, and Närlunda.

Njord's second wife Skade, grew up in the mountains and is the daughter of the giant Tjatse. When her father was killed by the Aesir, Skade put on her armor and helmet and headed to Asgard to exact revenge. This shows that she is a ring woman, that is, a female heir. After reconciliation, she received the offer of an advantageous marriage, and that she herself would be allowed to choose her husband from among the gods.

Skade wanted the beautiful Balder, Odin's son, but was only allowed to see the feet of the gods during the choice. She then saw one with the cleanest and most beautiful feet and chose him in the belief that it was Balder, but it was Njord, as he as a sea god had unusually clean feet. The marriage between Skade and Njord was not a happy one. Njord longed for the sea and Skade for the mountains. They tried to stay nine nights each in Skade's home Trymheim in the mountains and Noatun, Njord's home by the sea, but it didn't work so they ended in divorce.