

## The Parthenon frieze

# The colours of the frieze

The frieze was painted with wonderful colours. Red, blue, green, yellow and gold were some of the colours used by the ancient artists. The temple was thought to be completed only when its sculptures were also painted. Become an ancient painter and choose your favourite colours to bring the frieze to life.

Choose the frieze block you like, print it and decorate it in any way you prefer. You can colour it or use the collage technique with coloured papers or other materials you have at home.

Notice in the drawing the details shown in dotted lines. They were additional elements to the figures made of metal or painted on the marble, which are now lost. They include ribbons and hair wreaths, thongs on sandals, ropes that bound animals and symbols held by the gods.







