



Baron's Room

The Greek hero Odysseus, after the siege of Troy, was trying to make his way back to his wife Penelope.

He was captured by the nymph Calypso, who kept him on her island, and wanted to make him her immortal husband. She enchanted Odysseus with her singing, and weaving on her loom.



The king of the gods Zeus finally ordered Calypso to set Odysseus free, and he carried on his journey back to Penelope.



Baron Ferdinand, who built Waddesdon, had this room as his private apartment, and lined it with portraits of famous women.

One of these women is **Emma Hamilton**, who was famous for her relationship with Admiral Nelson.

She had lots of portraits painted and here she is as the classical enchantress, Calypso, painted by George Romney.