

The giant squid was the ship-destroying kraken

A skull of a woolly rhinoceros was once believed to be a dragon's skull

European nobles believed the narwhal's tusk was a unicorn horn

Protoceratops fossils were thought to be the bones of a griffin

A fossilized mastodon tooth was believed to have come from a biblical giant

The skull of a fossilized prehistoric elephant was thought to be from a cyclops

Sailors exploring the 'new world' thought manatees were mermaids