

# Melusina

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## Mermaid and Myth

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making her world right with a song

Floating on the wind, forest creatures flockin in  
to get close to hear her sing

And then in the afternoon up the Alzette came this dude,  
it was the Count of Ardennes, Sigfried

Catch a tiger by the tail, if he hollers then you fail,  
cuz when you empathize you set him free

And then he heard the song, had to see whom it belonged,  
and the river swirled like the seventh sea

The song was comin from up top, so carefully he climbed the rock,  
and then he saw her, Melusine

Chatted for a while, they both smiled big wide smiles,  
it was like magic, like some dream

And he woke she was gone, and back home he went at dawn,  
came back the next day but no one home

The third time was the charm, and Sig said with open arms,  
Melusine won't you please be my bride

As long as we remain, and I get Saturdays,  
I will stay here by your side

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So they led a real good life, everything it seemed so right,  
made a home and raised a family

But a few years on he snapped, tired of all of his friends' flack,  
asking what's up with those Saturdays

And then downstairs he creeped, he peeked in and then he freaked,  
it was something he could not unsee

He had torn away the veil, when he saw she had a tail,  
it all was over immediately

And in a big bright flash of light, he was a pale and a sickly sight,  
he'd broke his promise, he'd lost the key

Suddenly a whirlwind spun, and in her shiny copper tub,  
she slid through the Bock, bye Melusine

And so to this day, we here remain,  
trying for that golden key

## Hunter in the Alzette

Up the Uelzecht, by Colmer-Bierg  
farther upstream, passes by Miersch  
deep in dark forest, on the hunt  
rain in the morning, paths turned to muck

Into Guttland he makes his way  
by Luarenzweiler and Bäreleng  
Far from Feelen, searching still  
inside the valley, looks for the kill

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This is my home, I swim alone  
In the river by the Bock, I am home

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What's that sound, what's that I hear  
I must get closer, I must get near  
who's makin, beautiful sounds  
it fills my soul up, my heart it pounds

Up there's a woman, high on the rock  
A gentlewoman, up on the Bock  
like a mermaid, she draws me in  
But there's no danger, in her hymn.

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He introduces himself to her  
And likewise and she does and both demure  
Overwhelmed, falls fast sleep  
Awakes and she's gone, his heart she keeps

The sky unleashes a heavy pour  
back home he rides drenched to the core  
wet and cold, soaked to the skin  
Love keeps him warm, he hums her hymn.

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## Two Conditions

(Sig): We must marry, please come with me

(Mel): I can't leave here, it's my home

(Sig): Then I'll stay here with you forever

(Mel): Only if you leave me on my own each Saturday

(Sig): Yes I'll do whatever you want

(Mel): You must promise, do not fail me

(Sig): Yes, you have my word of course

(Mel): Do not betray me or the bond is broken

## Seer

Boma, crowd at the well  
comes true, all she tells  
Boma, what's in store  
Boma, tell us more

There will be men, fight for this prize  
There will be women, tell of this time  
What now, what about today?  
What next, will we behave?

Boma says he will betray  
Melusine will go away  
Back to the river where she is from  
Back to river where she is loved

Mortals made of clay  
but Melusina won't fade away  
we're strong, we will remain  
with Melusine we'll find our way  
Boma, what's in store  
Boma, tell us more

## Golden Key

Sun it shines on waters calm  
Gently flows at early dawn  
What is that, those ripples there?  
Now I see a golden key

Melusina

Every seven she comes back  
to give us all another chance  
more important is perhaps  
her gift of hope, we're not alone

Melusina

Modern mortals you and me  
humbled by Melusine  
We'll keep on tryin we're almost there  
Melusine we're in your care.

Melusina