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Our premises have been named after a warrior nymph in mythology called Galateia. Galateia was one of the Nereides, fifty goddess – nymphs of the sea. Her name means "the goddess of calm seas". Galateia frequented the coast of Sicily where she attracted the attention f the Cyclops, Polyphemos. The giant wooed her, but the nymph spurned his advances and consorted instead with a handsome Sicilian youth named Akis. When Polyphemos learned about this, he fell into a jealous rage and crushed Akis beneath a rock. Galateia was grief – stricken and transformed Akis into a stream. Galateia was depicted in ancient art as a beautiful woman riding side – saddle on the back of a sea monster or a fish – tailed god.