



In ancient Calydon, a monstrous wild boar was ravaging the land, destroying crops and terrorizing the people. The goddess Artemis offended because the king of Calydon, Oeneus, forgot to honor her in his sacrifices, sent the fierce boar to punish the region.

In response, a group of renowned heroes was assembled to hunt the beast. The most notable among them were Atalanta, the swift and skillful huntress; Meleager, the brave hero and leader; and other heroes like Theseus, Diomedes, and Peleus. The hunt was perilous, requiring cunning, strength, and teamwork.

During the chase, Atalanta played a crucial role, engaging the beast and ultimately wounding it. Meleager delivered the fatal blow, killing the boar. The heroes then divided the spoils, but a dispute arose over who deserved the biggest prize—the hide. Atalanta, as a woman, was initially overlooked, but she cleverly claimed her rightful share.

The hunt culminated in a fierce conflict over the prize, which led to tragic consequences, including Meleager's death, driven by anger and family loyalty. The event became legendary, symbolizing heroism, the importance of honoring the gods, and the perils of pride and discord.