



## Witchcraft Ritual Cauldron - Occultism, Esotericism - Necro - Devil - Cabinet Of Curiosities

1 500 EUR



Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Copper

### Description

France

Second Half of the 19th Century

Provenance: Private Collection - South of France

Esoteric Artifact for Black Magic Rituals and  
Demonic Conjurations Depicting the Seven  
Deadly Sins Through Demons

Magnificent witchcraft cauldron, a rare and  
unique copper artifact adorned with engravings of  
exceptional symbolic richness. This piece is  
imbued with a manifest mystical power, designed  
for occult practices, black magic rituals, and  
demonic invocations.

The cauldron's lid is decorated with floral  
garlands and menacing mascaron faces, while the

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handle was likely added at a later time.

## Analysis of the Engravings and Symbols: An Allegory of the Seven Deadly Sins

This cauldron combines motifs drawn from two iconic works exploring the theme of the Seven Deadly Sins.

### 1. Engraving by Hans Burgkmair the Elder (16th Century)

The cauldron features figures inspired by Burgkmair's work, where each deadly sin is personified by a grotesque demon:

- o Wrath (Zorn) - Demon: Amon: A furious creature wielding a sword, used in rituals of vengeance and destruction.
- o Envy (Neid) - Demon: Leviathan: A serpent-like grinning demon, invoked to cast curses and spread jealousy.
- o Pride (Hoffart) - Demon: Lucifer: A fallen angel adorned with feathers, symbolizing self-elevation and domination.
- o Sloth (Trägheit) - Demon: Belphegor: A crouching figure used to paralyze the will of others.
- o Gluttony (Fresserei) - Demon: Beelzebub: A grotesque monster devouring everything, exacerbating human weaknesses.
- o Greed (Geiz) - Demon: Mammon: A covetous demon holding chests, used to attract wealth through occult means.
- o Lust (Unkeuschheit) - Demon: Asmodeus: A lewd figure symbolizing rituals of seduction and sexual manipulation.

### 2. Engraving Revisited by Michel Liénard (1866)

Liénard's work, published in 1866, reinterprets the Seven Deadly Sins in a neo-Gothic style:

- o Wrath - Demon: Amon: A winged demon associated with destructive rituals.
- o Envy - Demon: Leviathan: A serpentine creature with hypnotic eyes, used to launch

destructive curses.

- o Pride - Demon: Lucifer: A crowned demon, symbolizing the insatiable quest for power.

- o Sloth - Demon: Belphegor: A creature surrounded by spiderwebs, symbolizing spiritual stagnation.

- o Gluttony - Demon: Beelzebub: An obese demon representing insatiable appetite.

- o Greed - Demon: Mammon: A demon clutching sacks of gold, used for rituals of material enrichment.

- o Lust - Demon: Asmodeus: A sensual demon associated with rites of sexual manipulation.

## Detailed Description of the Demons According to Collin de Plancy's Dictionnaire Infernal

### 1. Amon (Wrath)

- o Rank: Great Marquis of Hell

- o Description: Amon, commanding 40 legions of demons, appears as a wolf with a serpent's tail or a man with a raven's head. Known for stirring quarrels and conflicts, he is invoked in rituals to incite hatred, vengeance, and destruction.

### 2. Leviathan (Envy)

- o Rank: Grand Admiral of Hell

- o Description: Leviathan, depicted as a serpent or a colossal sea monster, symbolizes envy and jealousy. He guards the gates of Hell and is associated with curses designed to destabilize adversaries.

### 3. Lucifer (Pride)

- o Rank: Emperor of Hell

- o Description: Lucifer, the fallen Light Bearer, embodies absolute power. He is summoned in rituals to obtain authority and domination.

### 4. Belphegor (Sloth)

- o Rank: Prince of Hell

- o Description: Belphegor tempts mortals with promises of easy wealth. He is invoked to lull enemies into inertia.

## 5. Beelzebub (Gluttony)

- o Rank: Prince of Demons

- o Description: Beelzebub, Lord of the Flies, symbolizes insatiable desire, not only for food but also for power and pleasures.

## 6. Mammon (Greed)

- o Rank: Treasurer of Hell

- o Description: Mammon, holding chests of gold, is invoked to attract fortune through occult practices.

## 7. Asmodeus (Lust)

- o Rank: Grand Duke of Hell

- o Description: Asmodeus, known for his seductive powers, is associated with rituals of seduction and sexual manipulation.

## Mysterious Coat of Arms and Sacrificial Symbols

The cauldron bears an enigmatic coat of arms rich in occult symbolism:

- o Two hands holding a dagger: Likely referencing blood sacrifices or symbolic acts of devotion.

- o A severed leg: Suggesting human offerings in initiation rituals.

- o Crossbones and fleurs-de-lis: Symbols of purification, transgression, and regeneration.

## Demonic Hunting Scene

A fascinating depiction of a hunter pursuing a creature, likely symbolizing:

- o Soul hunting: Capturing supernatural entities for power.

- o Rituals of invocation: Gaining guidance from

spirits or demons.

### Uses in Black Magic: Rituals, Sacrifices, and Conjurations

This cauldron was likely employed in powerful rituals, including:

1. Sanguinomancy (Blood Magic): Utilizing blood to seal pacts with infernal entities.
2. Necromancy: Awakenning the dead and summoning spirits.
3. Sensual Goetia: Controlling desires and manipulating individuals.
4. Evocation of the Dead: Communicating with ancestors or demons for forbidden revelations.
5. Dark Alchemy: Crafting forbidden elixirs to manipulate life and death.

Condition: Excellent preservation.

Dimensions:

- o Height with handle: 29 cm
- o Top diameter: 24 cm

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