

HOW TO MAKE A SCRYING MIRROR

- Find yourself an old wooden or metal picture frame. Ensure that the frame is of a dark colour, as shiny frames tend to reflect in the finished mirror. An oval or even better a round frame of about 12" in diameter is preferred. Don't get one too big as you will want to carry it around sooner or later. With very little effort these can be found for a couple of pounds at any second hand store or antique shop. Flea markets are a gold mine for these frames and I have bought beautiful ones for as little as 25 pence. Don't bother if the frame is a little damaged – you can always paint or refinish it, but make sure that the glass is unscratched and clear. For a couple of pounds, the glass can be replaced. I have also bought a round piece of glass and lead trim from a stained glass supply house and made some beautiful gifts from these. *I have even trimmed them in stained glass.*
- Buy a can of high gloss spray enamel paint. Read the label to make sure it is suitable for glass as some paints are not. This kind of paint can be found in any hobby shop, or hardware store.
- Remove the glass from the frame and clean it well with a good glass cleaner. Let it dry for several hours.
- Place the clean glass on a large piece of newspaper, being careful to handle it by the edges so as not to get finger marks on the surface. Spray paint the glass using quick even light passes back and forth until the glass is covered completely. **WARNING!** do not allow the paint to run! If you do the painting outdoors, be sure it is a sunny and windless day as you do not want the paper or other debris to blow onto the wet paint and it takes several hours to dry so as to be hand led.
- Apply a second coat if necessary, but for the best effect it is better to do this in one coat as the mirror effect will be flawless in this manner.
- Place the glass back into the finished frame, and you now have your Black Scrying Mirror. Believe me, it is every bit as good as, if not better than any you can find for sale.
- Empower the mirror with a Full Moon Spell or any spell which works for you. Once consecrated it is infused with your own personal magnetism and should **never** be handled by anyone else. If someone picks it up it is imperative that you reconsecrate it.
- Scrying mirrors should be made during the Full Moon, each mirror taking many days to ritually charge and finish properly.

- The preparation and construction of the black mirror is crafted with the highest magickal standards and traditions. When the Moon is Full, the glass pieces are cleansed and charged. They are then anointed with a tincture of herbs (I used mugwort, rosemary, and dittany of Crete in vodka), to attract and hold energy, and any charge given to them. They are then *Ritually Blessed* under the light of the Full Moon and left for a night and a day within a Magick Circle. Finally, the black coating is applied to seal in the energy, and a felt backing is put on to protect the mirror and absorb later applications of tinctures or oils.