

CAUTION – Please fully research and consult a health professional before using any plants medicinally.

Seattle Druid Meetup

HERB-OF-THE-MONTH-CLUB

1st Thursday's at the Sunlight Café 6 - 8 pm

Thursday, October 6, 2011

Wormwood



Wormwood:(*Artemisia absinthium*)

Also known as Absinthe. A Druid sacred herb.



Wormwood is very magical and sacred to Moon deities. An accumulative poison if ingested. Wormwood is a bitter herb used to flavor vermouth and the now-banned liqueur *absinthe*. A leaf and flowering top infusion is a tonic for the digestive system, liver, gallbladder, and blood, reducing inflammation and clearing impurities. The plant treats fever, expels worms, and reduces the toxicity of lead poisoning. As a companion plant, it acts as a deterrent against several insect pests. **Toxic in high doses!**

The leaves and flowers are used in a light infusion to help digestion, flatulence, and heartburn. Wormwood improves circulation and stimulates the liver. The tea is said to relieve labor pains. Use one teaspoon per cup and steep for twenty minutes; take a quarter cup up to four times a day; or use as a tincture, eight to ten drops in water up to three times a day. A fomentation of the leaves and flowers soothes bruises and sprains. The oil relieves arthritis. **CAUTION:** *The oil is for external use only! Prolonged use of wormwood can lead to nerve damage.*

<http://www.joellessacredgrove.com/Herbs/uowxyz-herbs.html>

Parts Used: Leaf and flower

Magical Uses: The scent of wormwood is said to increase psychic powers. Burned with incenses on Samhain to aid evocation, divination, scrying and prophecy. Especially good when combined with Mugwort. Strengthens incenses for exorcism and protection. Hung from a rear-view mirror, wormwood protects vehicles from accidents on treacherous roads. Use in spells for: Binding; Psychic Awareness; Evocation; Love; Clairvoyance.



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Wormwood was once made into a very addictive liqueur called Absinthe. It is now banned in most countries because of its addictive and dangerous qualities. Wormwood may be used to remove anger. Although such practices require a thorough analysis of one's underlying motives, we learn that "for those who seek to vent their anger in a peaceful, creative means" this herbe is indeed appropriate to use. It is also used in group magick to stop war or inhibit the enemy.

<http://www.janin.com/lady/herbs/magick/W.html>

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(Celtic Herbs, Celtic Lore)



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<http://celticearthwisecreations.com/2010/11/06/wormwood/>



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Connected to the planet Mars and the element of fire, Wormwood is used to promote love, psychism, and protection. http://www.wildwisdom.net/grimoireh_w_y.htm

Traditional Uses:

- 1) Burn as an incense and/or wear to promote psychic powers.
- 2) Sew into white pouch and hang in car for protection from accidents.
- 3) Sew into red pouch and carry to attract love.
- 4) Place [Wormwood](#) under the bed to attract love.

WORMWOOD (*Artemisia absinthium*)

Common names: Absinth, Absinthium, Ajenjo, Crown for a King, Green Ginger, Madderwort, Old Woman

Parts Used: Plant tops, leaves, seeds. **Methods Used:** Water extraction, burning.

Spiritual Uses: A Druid Sacred Herb.

Burn with Mugwort in an incense on Samhain to aid in divination and prophecy.

Add to protective charms and incenses.

Physical Uses: Wormwood has traditionally been used to treat digestive problems, including nausea.

It is believed to improve the appetite, heal stomach ulcers, aid with tuberculosis, improve kidney functions, cool fevers, and allay headaches.

It gets its name from the use of the tea in ridding the body of parasites such as round worms and tape worms.

Native Americans from Canada to Mexico used Artemesia to treat colds and bronchial maladies.

Compresses can be effective for treating bruises and insect bites.

<http://rittiman.com/urt/wormwood.htm>

