

GLOSSARY OF POTIONS

A compendium of both approved and unapproved potions and ingredients, as well as common terms used throughout the potion-making community. Locations in italics pinpoint the exact source of where B.R.E.W.'s most-elite Elixirists have worked tirelessly to discover key ingredients to specific potions.

Auditory Tablet—*Costa Rica*. Concoction contained in a capsule that gives the user the ability to hear conversations and communicate without requiring cell phones, walkie-talkies, or other means of vocal transmission. Depending on dosage, the effects of the Auditory Tablet generally dissolve within ten to fifteen minutes of consumption.

Banishment (Exiled)—Term used by B.R.E.W. officials for sending a convicted Scourge to a Forbidden Zone for an extended period of time. Banishment prevents the need to build and staff prisons while also keeping the convicted safely away from the innocent population. Banished Scourges live out their term of punishment in a safe and almost entirely brewing-free environment.

Blight Bomb—*Chernobyl, Ukraine*. An explosive and unpredictable potion used for crumbling walls and destroying

buildings. Increases in strength if left unchecked and will eventually demolish an entire structure before being rendered benign. (Key ingredients: plaited nickel; feather grass; radioactive water.)

Burning Rubber Reduction—*United States of America, Indiana.*

Putty-like substance that, when applied to a vehicle's tires, propels the motorist forward, often at breakneck speeds, without requiring pedaling. Steering is still necessary and recommended. (Key ingredients: American cockroach intestines; peregrine falcon feathers.)

Cacophonous Compound—*United States of America, Michigan.*

The purpose of this substance is to create utter discord and discombobulation by filling a general space with random and overlapping noise. Sounds that may surface from use of this potion include, but are not limited to, chattering children, off-putting music, and malfunctioning appliances. (Key ingredients: Magicicada wings; crinkled aluminum; strawberry preserves.)

Certe Syrup—*Latvia.* Replicating potion that, when poured

into a locked device, such as a doorknob or a padlock, will produce an exact copy of the fastening mechanism. Perfect for making a spare key in a pinch. (Key ingredients: yak butter; lauku tea; puff adder venom.)

Chamber President—Leader of B.R.E.W.'s Chamber of

Directors and presiding officer within the Community. This individual has the power and authority to govern the ongoing practice of potion making.

Clasping Cannikin—*Origin Unknown.* Highly illegal device

used to form a modified Blood Link between two relatives. This potion allows a banished potion master the freedom of venturing beyond the borders of his or her area of exile. Most Clasping Cannikins have a short lifespan and can

carry harmful, even fatal, consequences if the individual does not return immediately to his or her Forbidden Zone before the potion expires. (Key ingredients: proboscis monkey snout; spotted filefish spine; chipped ferrite.)

Copen Warner—A well-known and respected distributor of brewing equipment throughout the Community. Copen Warner offers high-end options of Bunsen burners, heating elements, and an assortment of handcrafted cauldrons for only the most seasoned Elixirists. The company slogan is “Why limit yourself with less when you can brew with the best?”

Decurdler—*United States of America, Wisconsin.* Acid-reducing potion that lines the stomach with a temporary layer of cooling gel, at which point the consumer may ingest any substance without upsetting the stomach. (Key ingredients: jack pine bark; carrion beetle shells.)

Dentadura Draught—*Peru.* Used by South American Elixirists for an array of dental remedies. Various applications of the draught may cause teeth to soften, help prevent teething babies from biting, or even strengthen the user’s molars to the point of crushing stone. (Key ingredients: alpaca milk; ginseng; acorns.)

Distractor Potions—*Origin Varies.* A type of ward used by Elixirists to avert the curiosity of outside eyes. The concoction causes basic confusion and redirection to where intruders find themselves suddenly interested in some other location. (Key ingredients: dogfish scales; shattered pieces of a kaleidoscope.)

Dunka Draught—*Latvia.* Gritty potion that, when released within the general area of an opponent, will strike the intended target repeatedly with a series of hooks, jabs, and

uppercuts. (Key ingredients: sessile barnacles, tapioca pudding, tow-truck axle grease.)

ExSpongement—Term used to describe the process of permanently removing an Elixirist's ability to brew. There have been forty-seven known ExSpongements carried out since the formation of B.R.E.W., and though sentencing may be reversed, it is an extremely difficult practice requiring highly trained Elixirists authorized to use the Vessel.

Fire Rocket—*Poland*. Dangerously explosive potion used primarily in long-range battles. As the name suggests, it propels a missile-like projectile across long distances and, upon impact, will envelop the intended target with a blanket of fire. (Key ingredients: barberry pulp; thorn apple seeds; Lebanese sika plant kernels.)

Funnel Formula—*United States of America, Oklahoma*. When squirted from a pipette, this potion transforms an intended target, either living or inanimate, into a mini tornado. (Key ingredients: black rat tail; clubmoss; pickled sycamore seeds.)

Fusion Potion—General term for a potion that aids in the melding of inanimate objects with the essence of a living creature. They are controversial concoctions that require full clearance from B.R.E.W. prior to use.

Ke'oki Cordial—*United States of America, Hawaii*. Spongy potion that can turn any solid ground into a trampoline. (Key ingredients: triggerfish lips; plumeria petals; seven-year-old Spam.)

Kunci Cream—*Indonesia*. Cleverly crafted potion that is used to pick the lock of a closed door. This concoction operates quickly and quietly, all while maintaining the integrity of the locking mechanism. (Key ingredients: grated anoa horns; honeybee wings; coneflower petals.)

- Mangle Potions**—*Origin Varies*. These potions can be brewed in a variety of ways and are used by Dark Elixirists in battle. Each Mangle potion yields a specific result to a particular body part—mainly arms, legs, fingers, and toes. (Key ingredients: Lonomia caterpillar husk; hemlock; oleander; pokeberry stalks.)
- Ogon Oil**—*Russia*. An instant liquid fire generally used for heating in cold, damp environments where dry tinder and a primary fuel source are not readily available. (Key ingredients: musk deer tongue; melic grass.)
- Philtering Loofah**—Instrument used by Philters to remove both the remnants of a potion and the resulting effects of an ingested liquid from a victim. Commonly combined with a deadening substance such as Cannonball Lead or Clove Oil.
- Projecting**—A term used for the rare practice of temporarily passing an Elixirist's ability to concoct onto someone else who would otherwise be unable to brew on his or her own.
- Ragasztó Ragout**—*Hungary*. A sticky substance that adheres an intended target's hands, feet, or other body part to any surface for an extended period of time. Commonly used by B.R.E.W. Investigators during arrests and questioning. (Key ingredients: shattered blue jeremejevite; stonefly blood; rusted knitting needles.)
- Rebenemine Rub**—*Estonia*. A rupture potion sold and traded within the Swigs and frequently used as a trigger for a variety of deadly booby traps. This rub is one of the primary potions included on B.R.E.W.'s List of Outlawed Concoctions. (Key ingredients: steeped narcissus bulbs; sand lizard fangs; lynx nostril lining.)
- Replication**—Unlike the Restorative skill of duplicating a known potion through a recipe, the rare Elixirist practice of

Replication uses modified substances to imitate the effect and result of a potion with unknown origins. Few Elixirists possess this ability as it is both dangerous and unproven. Several noted Scourge banishments have been the result of a Replication gone wrong. (Key ingredients: Portuguese man-of-war tentacles; Andean clover honey.)

Sequester Strap—*France*. A chemically treated belt, band, or strap used to create a preventative ward specific to an individual. Commonly used as a means of punishment for unruly Drams. B.R.E.W.'s Chamber of Directors are the only ones with the proper authority to initiate a Sequester Strap. (Key ingredients: cassava; coypu claws; scorched neoprene.)

Sessizlik Serum—*Turkey*. A minor exploding potion that transforms into a thin, fabric-like substance, which then can be used to silence an opponent for a short period of time. Primarily used by Scourge members of the Turkish mafia. (Key ingredients: gray wolf whiskers; crumbled bauxite.)

Sloop Solution—*Portugal*. Specially contained potion that, when dropped directly into a body of water, transforms into a malleable syrup, which will expand and solidify into a durable board. The Sloop may be used as a small raft for a short period of time. (Key ingredients: fig juice; balsa sawdust.)

Smelte Sludge—*Denmark*. Gloppy, amber-colored potion used for melting solid substances into a sticky sludge. Works best on glass, crystal, and some porous stones. (Key ingredients: flawed opals; juniper berries; tail fluff of a European hare.)

Sottusopra Serum—*Slovenia*. A concoction that gives clarity and balance by constantly rendering the environment right-side up, no matter what angle the user might be standing in. Great for tumbling and handstands. This potion is the only known Elixirist concoction publicly added to the banned

substance list by the International Olympic Committee. (Key ingredients: pureed radishes, cuttlefish fins, pink peppercorns.)

Swigs—Term to describe locations all over the world that act as trading posts for unsanctioned potion exchanges. Dealings within the Swigs are often illegal and rarely governed by B.R.E.W.

Wardbreakers—A controversial method of disabling wards or eliminating distractor potions from a protected area by using chemically modified insects. Beetles are the most common form of Wardbreaker, but any manner of insect can be used in a pinch, including moths, caterpillars, and cockroaches.

Writ of ExSpongement—Formal document issued by the Chamber of Directors that grants permission to ExSponge an individual. Not to be taken lightly, such a writ is virtually a death sentence to one's potion-making ability and has been a heated topic of debate for many years.