

# LIVING ARTIFACTS

A GUIDE FOR THE CLUELESS



DEAR READER,

THIS BOOK CONTAINS MY RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE ABOUT OUR FULL MOON ANOMALIES. MOSTLY, IT INVOLVES FACTS ABOUT INANIMATE OBJECTS CHANGING INTO LIVING CREATURES, EITHER APPARENTLY USELESS OR UNEXPECTEDLY HELPFUL ONES. IT MIGHT HAPPEN THAT YOUR STORAGE CHEST WANTS TO EAT YOUR SOUP LADLE OR A PLANT DEVELOPS A SHOCKINGLY AGGRESSIVE PERSONALITY. BUT IF YOU TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT THESE THINGS, THEY CAN ACTUALLY BE USEFUL OR EVEN ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY FOR YOU, IF YOU WANT TO BECOME MY SUCCESSOR AND COMPLETE WHAT I GAVE MY LIFE TO EXPLORE. I HOPE THIS WILL BE OF ASSISTANCE IN SOME WAY.

THE UNKNOWN RESEARCHER





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# WORLD

FOR YOU TO UNDERSTAND MY RESEARCH NOTES, THERE ARE A FEW ESSENTIAL THINGS I HAVE TO POINT OUT ABOUT OUR WORLD.

FIRST, WHERE WE LIVE, THERE EXIST TWO DIFFERENT KINDS OF CREATURES, TWO DIFFERENT CULTURES THAT HAVE SETTLED AT THE VERY SAME PLACE, BUT NEVER MEET ONE ANOTHER, DIVIDED BY THE SHARED REIGN OF FATHER SUN AND MOTHER MOON. BECAUSE WHILE WE ARE A NOCTURNAL SPECIES, THE OTHERS ARE ACTIVE ONLY DURING THE DAY. AND YET WE NEED EACH OTHER LIKE THE SUN NEEDS THE MOON AND THE OTHER WAY AROUND. WITHOUT THE SUN THERE WOULD BE NO STRENGTH, NO GROWTH AND NO CONSISTENCY. AND WITHOUT THE MOON THERE WOULD BE NO DOUBT, NO CHANGE AND NO PROGRESS IN THIS WORLD.

AS DIFFERENT AS OUR NATURES ARE OUR MAGIC POWERS. SOLAR ENERGY IS OBVIOUSLY RECEIVED FROM FATHER SUN HIMSELF. SUN WORSHIPPERS' BODIES ARE BUILT FOR OUR EXTREMELY HOT AND SUNNY WEATHER, THEIR POWER IS ACTIVE DURING THE DAY AND VANISHES THE MOMENT THE SUN HAS SET. BESIDES, THEY WOULD NOT SURVIVE OUR CHILLINGLY COLD NIGHTS.

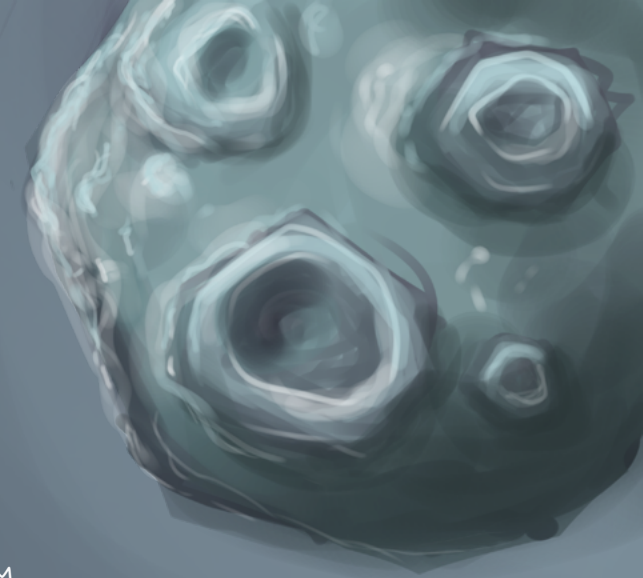
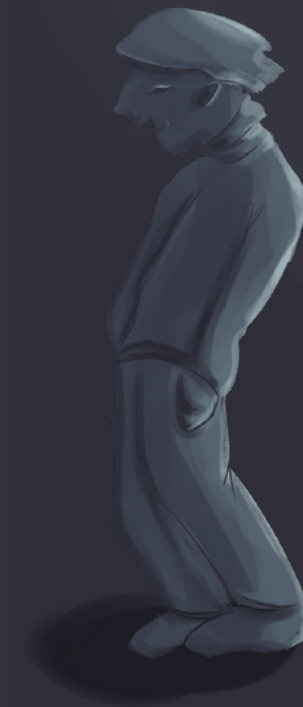
SOLAR ENERGIES ARE INTERNAL POWERS. THEY CAN FOR EXAMPLE BE CONCENTRATED IN A SPECIFIC BODY PART TO UNLEASH AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF STRENGTH, WHICH CAN BE USEFUL FOR PHYSICALLY EXHAUSTING TASKS. SUN WORSHIPPERS' ENERGY LIVES INSIDE THEM AND CAN'T BE EXTRACTED OUTSIDE OF THEIR CORPUS. THAT'S WHY THEY HAVE A HIGHER RISK OF INJURING THEMSELVES IF THE ENERGY ISN'T USED CAUTIOUSLY. THEY ARE STRONG WORKERS, POWERFUL BUILDERS AND EXTRAORDINARY ATHLETES WITH CLEAR AND DEFINITE OPINIONS.



OUR KIND RECEIVES LUNAR POWERS FROM MOTHER MOON AND THAT'S WHY WE LIVE WITH HER CYCLE AND HER NIGHTTIME APPEARANCE. SHE GAVE US BODIES TO SURVIVE THE COLD AND DARK OF THE NIGHT AND WE COULDN'T GO OUT INTO THE SUN BY DAY, SINCE OUR SKIN WOULD EASILY BURN AND OUR EYES WOULD BE BLINDED BY THE RADIANT LIGHT.

ALTHOUGH OUR LIMITS SEEM SIMILAR, OUR POWERS AREN'T. LUNAR POWERS ARE EXTERNAL POWERS. WE CAN EXTRACT THEM FROM ONE SOURCE AND TRANSFER THEM INTO ANOTHER, AND IT IS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO USE THEM AS A PERMANENT INTERNAL ENERGY, BECAUSE OUR BODIES WOULD BURN THROUGH THEM PRETTY FAST. OUR STRENGTH IS TO COMBINE AND DIVIDE EXTERNAL ENERGIES AND CREATE SOMETHING NEW. WE ARE GOOD RESEARCHERS AND REMARKABLE INVENTORS, AND IT IS OUR NATURE TO BE CONSIDERATE WITH OUR THOUGHTS AND OPINIONS.

OUR DILEMMA NOW IS THAT THERE ARE MAGICAL RULES IN THIS WORLD WHICH CAN'T BE OVERWRITTEN BY OUR MANUAL SPELLS AND ACTIONS. THE FACT THAT SUN WORSHIPPERS' POWERS ARE RESTRICTED BY THE APPEARANCE OF THE SUN AND ITS CHANGING THROUGH THE SEASONS CAN'T BE ALTERED. EQUALLY, US CHILDREN OF THE MOON HAVE TO LIVE WITH THE INCREASING POWER DURING THE TIME OF THE WAXING MOON AND THE DECREASING POWER DURING THE WANING MOON. THE ENERGY PEAK OF THE FULL MOON AFFECTS NOT ONLY US - EVERYTHING WE TRANSFERRED POWERS TO WILL FEEL MOTHER MOONS ENERGY, TOO. AND THAT'S WHERE THE FULL MOON ANOMALIES BEGIN. MANY OF THE OBJECTS WE WORK WITH WILL COME ALIVE AND CREATE TOTAL MAYHEM AROUND US. THEREFORE, AS YOUR FIRST TASK, YOU MUST USE MY RESEARCH TO LEARN HOW TO SOOTHE YOUR WORKING TOOLS.





**TIER THREE**



# DOGOSCOPE

A TOOL TO OBSERVE PLANETS AND STARS IN ORDER TO FIND THE BEST PHASE FOR BREWING SPECIAL POTIONS AND PERFORMING LUNAR SPELLS. YOU MAY HAVE SEEN A TELESCOPE BEFORE, BUT DOGOSCOPE IS DIFFERENT. ONCE THE FULL MOON RISES, DOGOSCOPE TRANSFORMS INTO A CREATURE WITH A VERY LIVELY PERSONALITY. IT LOVES TO PLAY AND STROLL AROUND, ALWAYS IN SEARCH OF SOMETHING NEW.

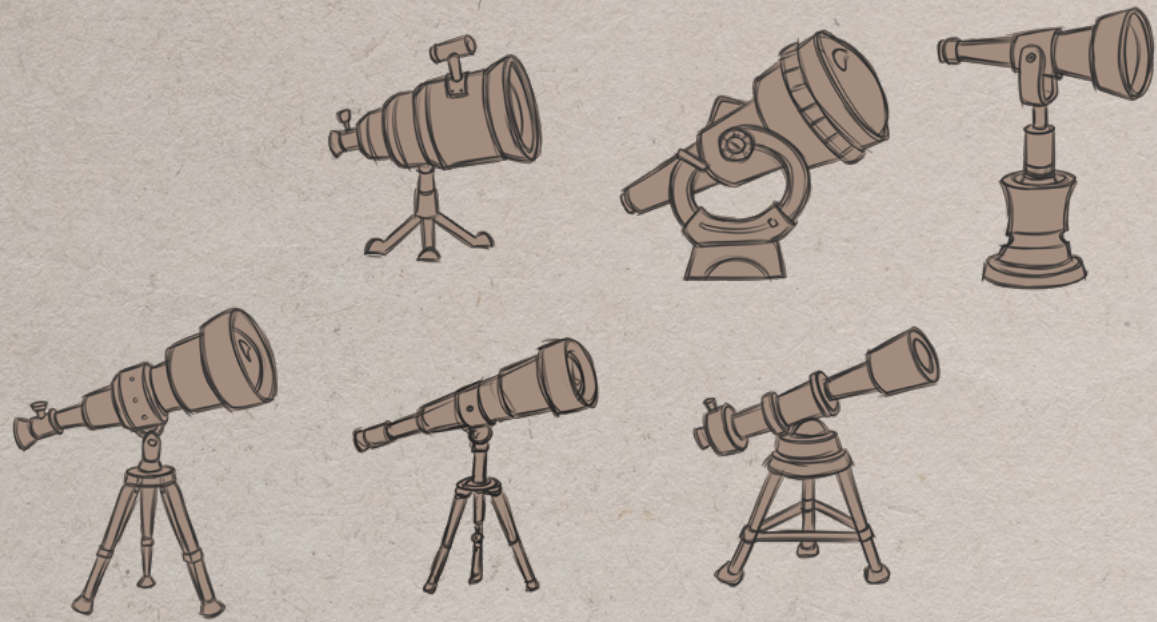


BUT AS MUCH AS IT ENJOYS BEING PLAYFUL AND ENERGETIC, IT ALSO VERY MUCH LIKES TO BE STROKED AND TICKLED. AND IF YOU'RE LUCKY AND IT HAS CALMED DOWN ENOUGH, IT MIGHT LET YOU SEE STARS AND CONSTELLATIONS THROUGH ITS OWN EYE - WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY BETTER THAN YOURS.

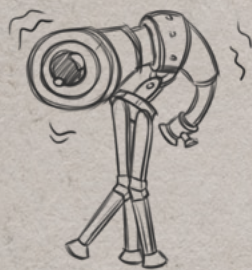
EVERY TIME YOU INTERACT WITH DOGOSCOPE, IT ADAPTS TO YOUR BEHAVIOR AND REACTS TO YOUR ACTIONS. IT IS EVEN WILLING TO LEARN COMMANDS IF YOU'RE NICE AND LOVING AND CARE ABOUT ITS NEEDS.



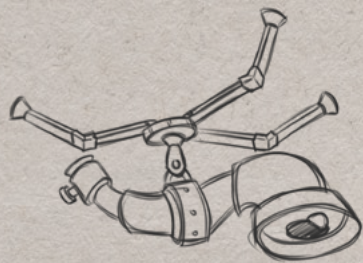




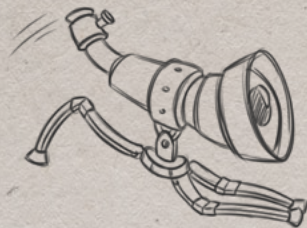
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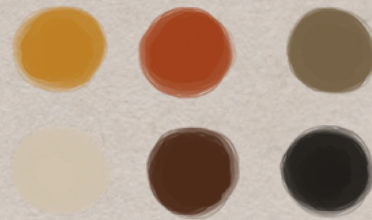


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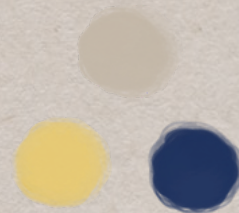


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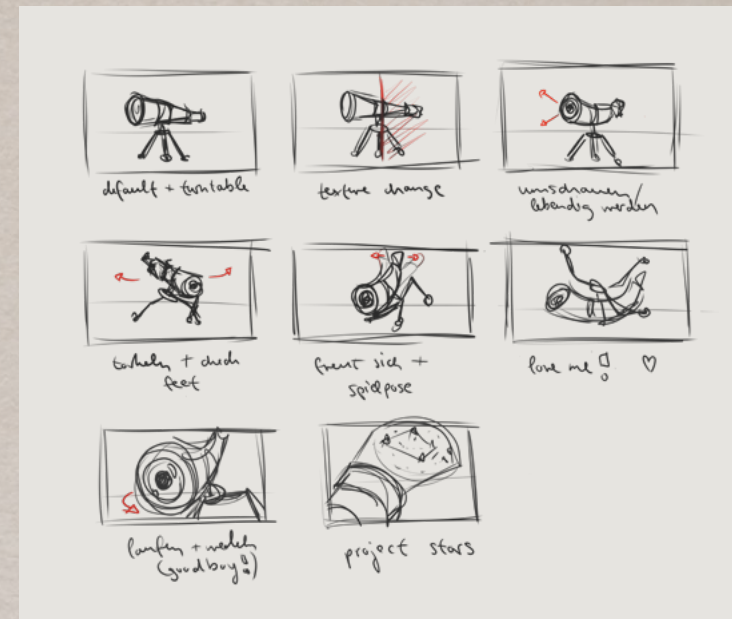
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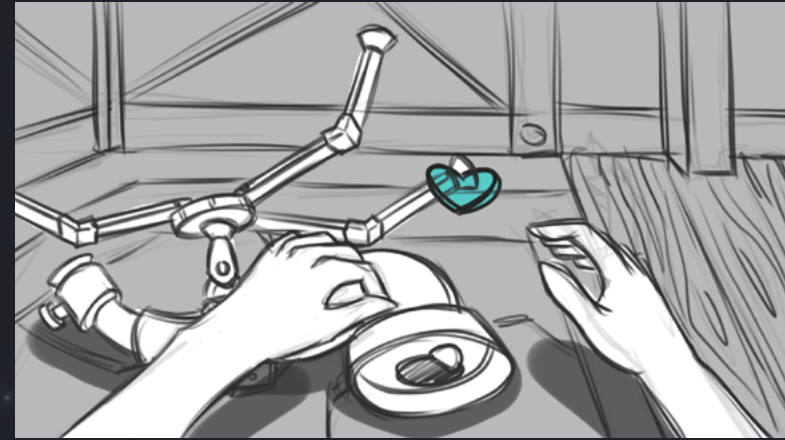


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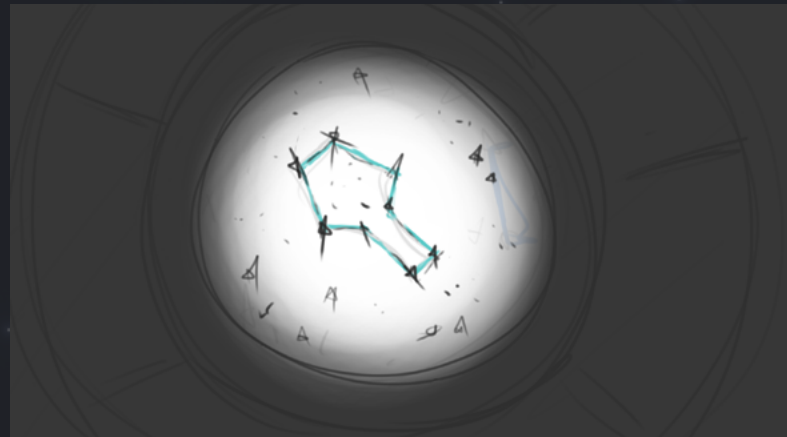


STATIC TELESCOPE  
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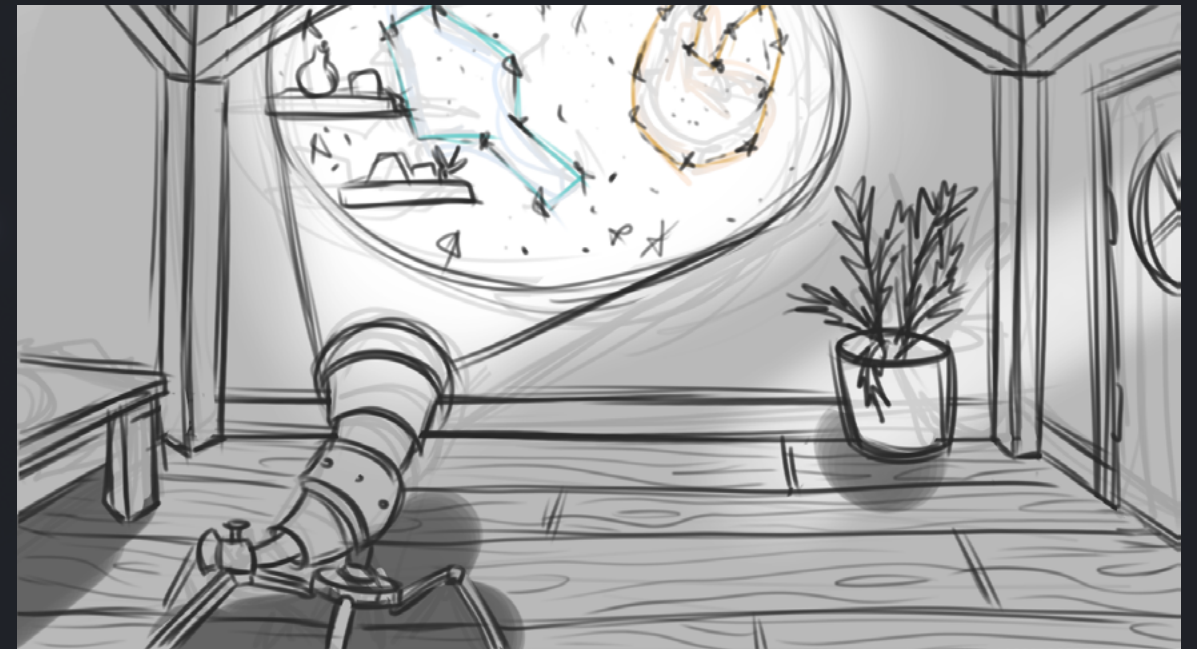


SOOTHE LIVING TELESCOPE  
CARE ABOUT ITS NEEDS  
BUILD FRIENDSHIP TO TAME

DOGOSCOPE HELPS YOU  
FIND CONSTELLATIONS AND  
SHOWS NEW ONES



SEARCH FOR STAR  
CONSTELLATIONS AND PLANETS  
MOVE HOLDING LEFT MOUSE, ZOOM  
WITH MOUSE WHEEL





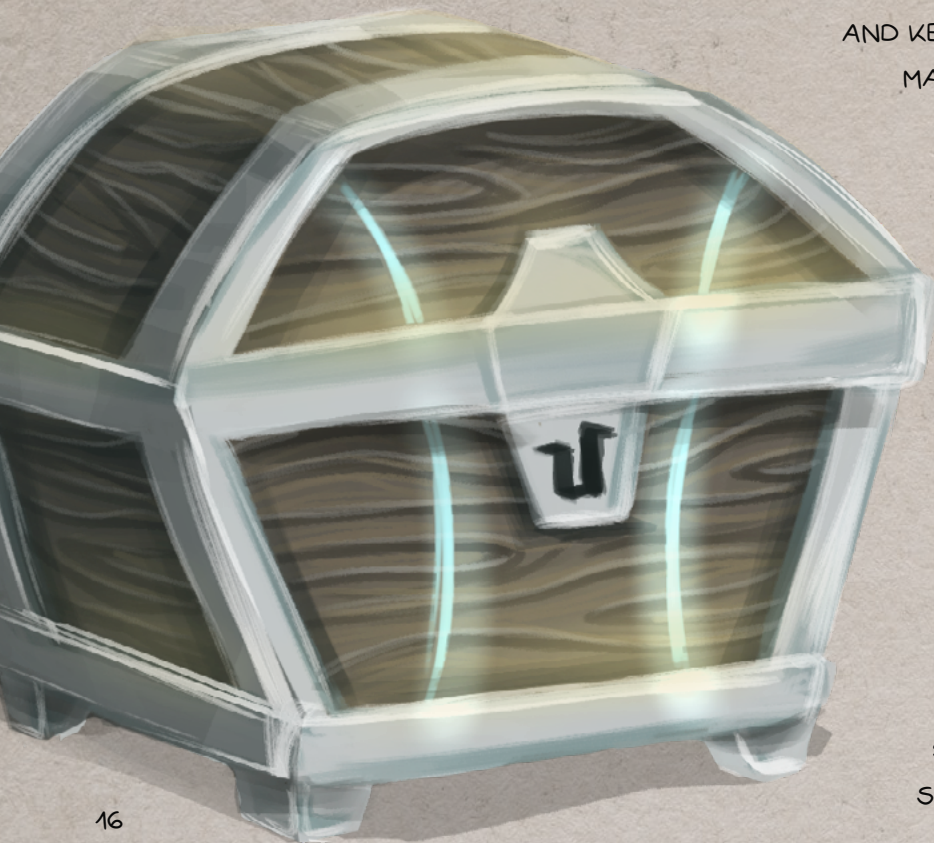




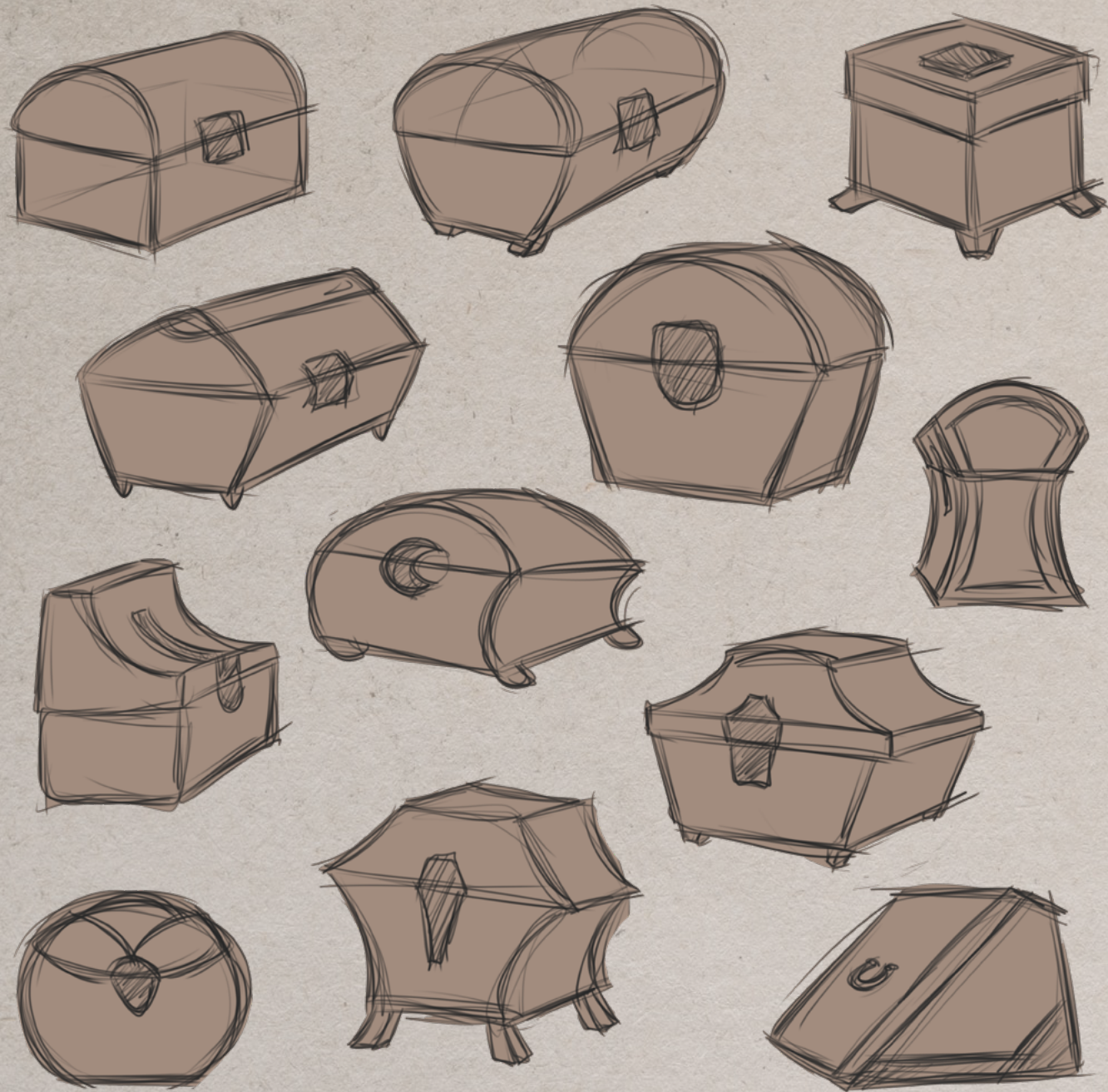
# UNCULUS

YOU MAY THINK THIS IS AN ORDINARY CHEST THAT STORES YOUR THINGS, BUT WHEN THE FULL MOON RISES, UNCULUS BECOMES A TERRIBLY HUNGRY CREATURE WITH SLIPPERY SKIN AND A STICKY LONG TONGUE TO CATCH ITS MEALS. IN SEARCH OF ITS FAVORITE FOOD IT EATS EVERYTHING THAT PASSES ITS WAY, SO LOOK OUT FOR YOUR... WELL, *EVERYTHING*, WHETHER IT'S BOOKS OR TOOLS OR YOUR NEWBORN. I'M KIDDING, IT DOESN'T LIKE MEAT AT ALL. BUT KEEP AN EYE ON EVERYTHING ELSE THAT IS CLOSE TO IT, BECAUSE IT HAS MULTIPLE STOMACHS AND CAN EAT AN UNBELIEVABLE AMOUNT OF FOOD.

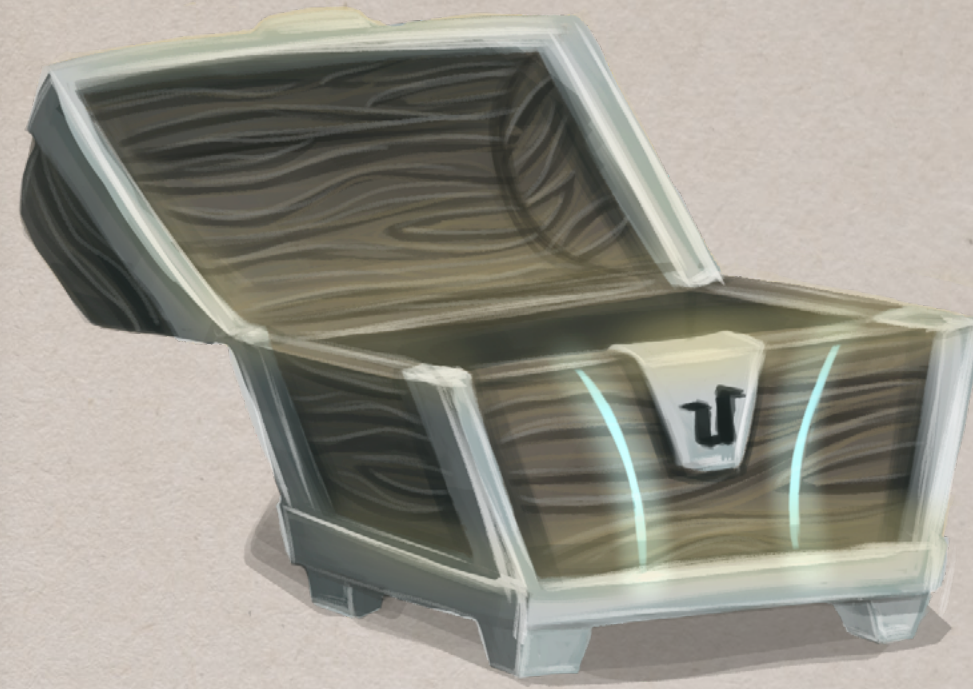
AND KEEP IN MIND THAT YOUR STUFF MAY BE LOST FOR CENTURIES, SINCE UNCULUS IS AN ANCIENT CREATURE THAT DOESN'T LIKE TO GIVE BACK ITS LOOT, UNLESS YOU HAVE SOMETHING BETTER TO TRADE. BUT IF YOU FIND THE OBJECT IT MOST DESIRES, IT WILL CALM DOWN AND EVEN HELP HANDING YOU STORED OBJECTS. AND SOMETIMES IT WILL SPIT OUT EXTRA LOOT THAT SOME POOR FOOL LOST TO IT MANY YEARS AGO. SPEAKING OF THAT, HAVE YOU SEEN MY GLASSES?



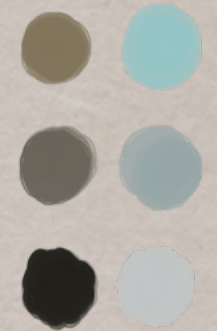




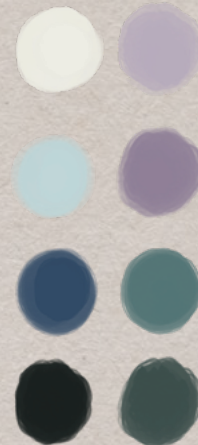
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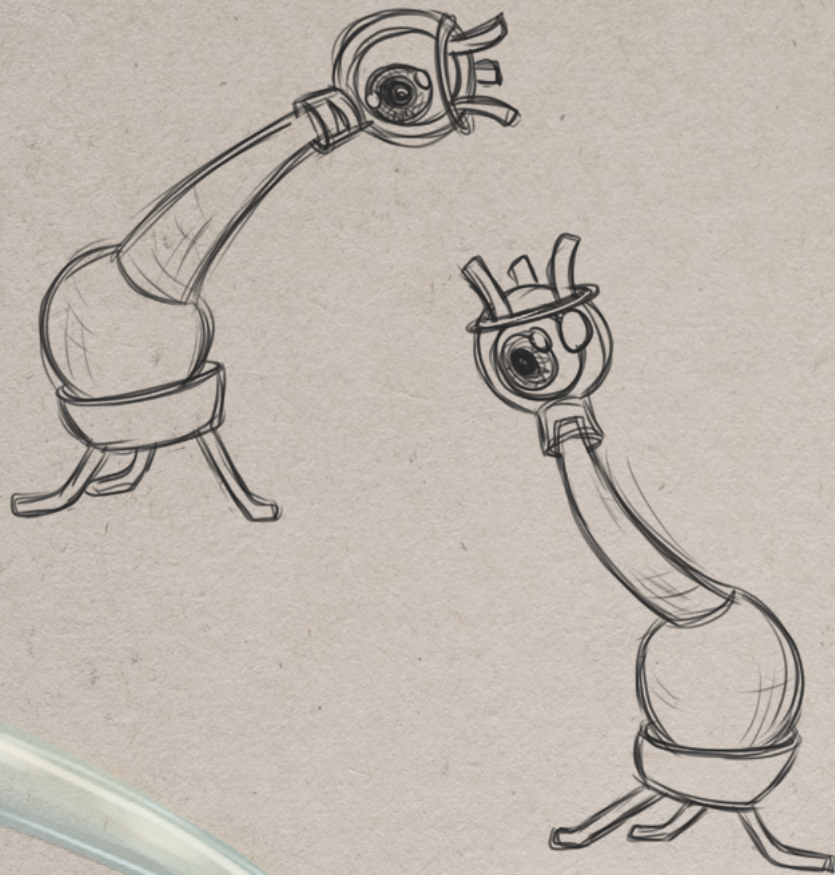
STATIC CHEST



UNCULUS







## KING DISTILLERICH II

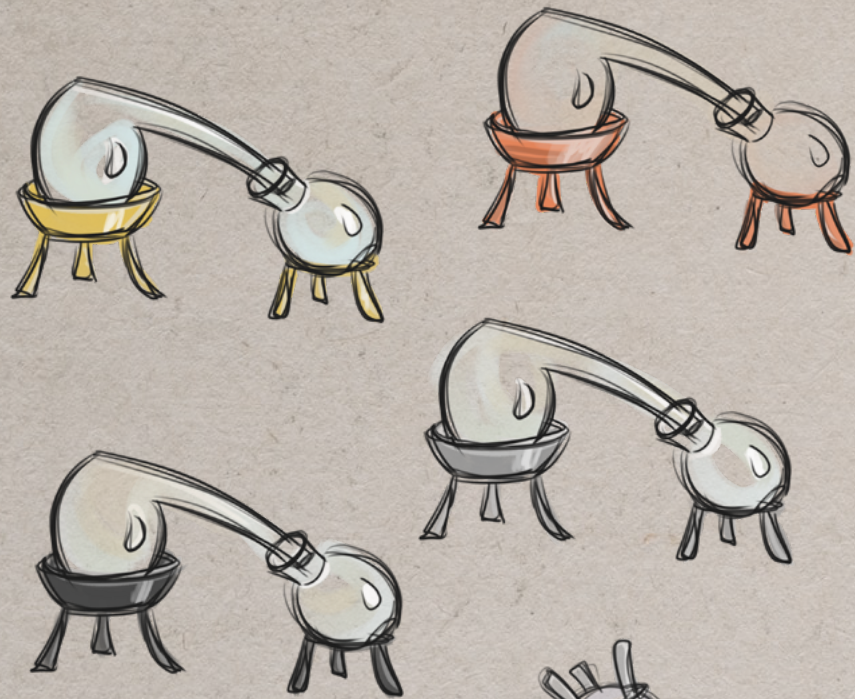
THIS DEVICE IS FOR EXTRACTING THE ESSENCE OF LIQUID MIXTURES, BUT IT SEEMS IT CAN DO MORE THAN THAT.

WHEN THE LUNAR ENERGIES ARE AT THEIR PEAK, IT EVOLVES INTO THE MOST CLUMSY LITTLE ENTITY YOU'VE EVER SEEN. KING DISTILLERICH II HAS REMARKABLY ODD TRAITS, FOR ITS EYE IS QUITE BIG ITS MIND IS NOT. MEANING ITS SIGHT IS EXCEPTIONAL AND IT CAN CLEARLY SEE EVERYTHING AROUND IT, BUT IT HAS A BIG PROBLEM WITH COORDINATION AND BALANCE - ESPECIALLY WITH BALANCING ITS MASSIVE HEAD ON THAT SMALL NECK - WHICH CAUSES THIS CREATURE TO STUMBLE OVER OBSTACLES AND FALL CONSTANTLY.

BUT DON'T WORRY, ITS BODY IS AS HARD AS A ROCK, AND EVEN THOUGH IT SEEMS VERY FRAGILE, IT CAN HANDLE A LOT OF FALLS. BUT IF YOU WANT TO BE SURE THAT IT IS NOT GOING TO BREAK, JUST GIVE IT SOMETHING FASCINATING TO LOOK AT AND IT WILL BE DISTRACTED FOR A WHILE, DISTILLING EVEN FASTER THAN IN ITS STATIC STATE. AND IN ADDITION, IT WILL BE ABLE TO ACTUALLY DISTILL SOLID THINGS LIKE DRY ROCKS. I'M NOT SAYING YOU SHOULD USE IT TO GET RID OF THE DUST IN YOUR WORKSPACE, BUT...



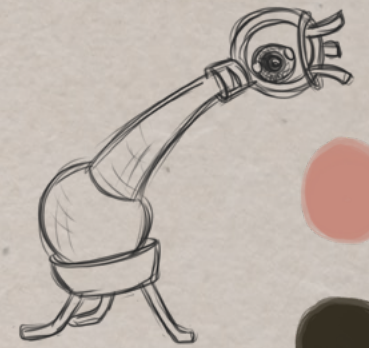
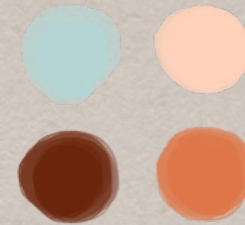
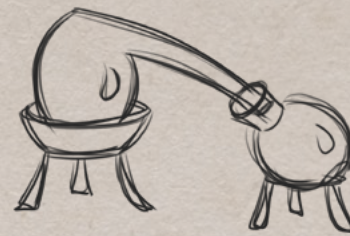




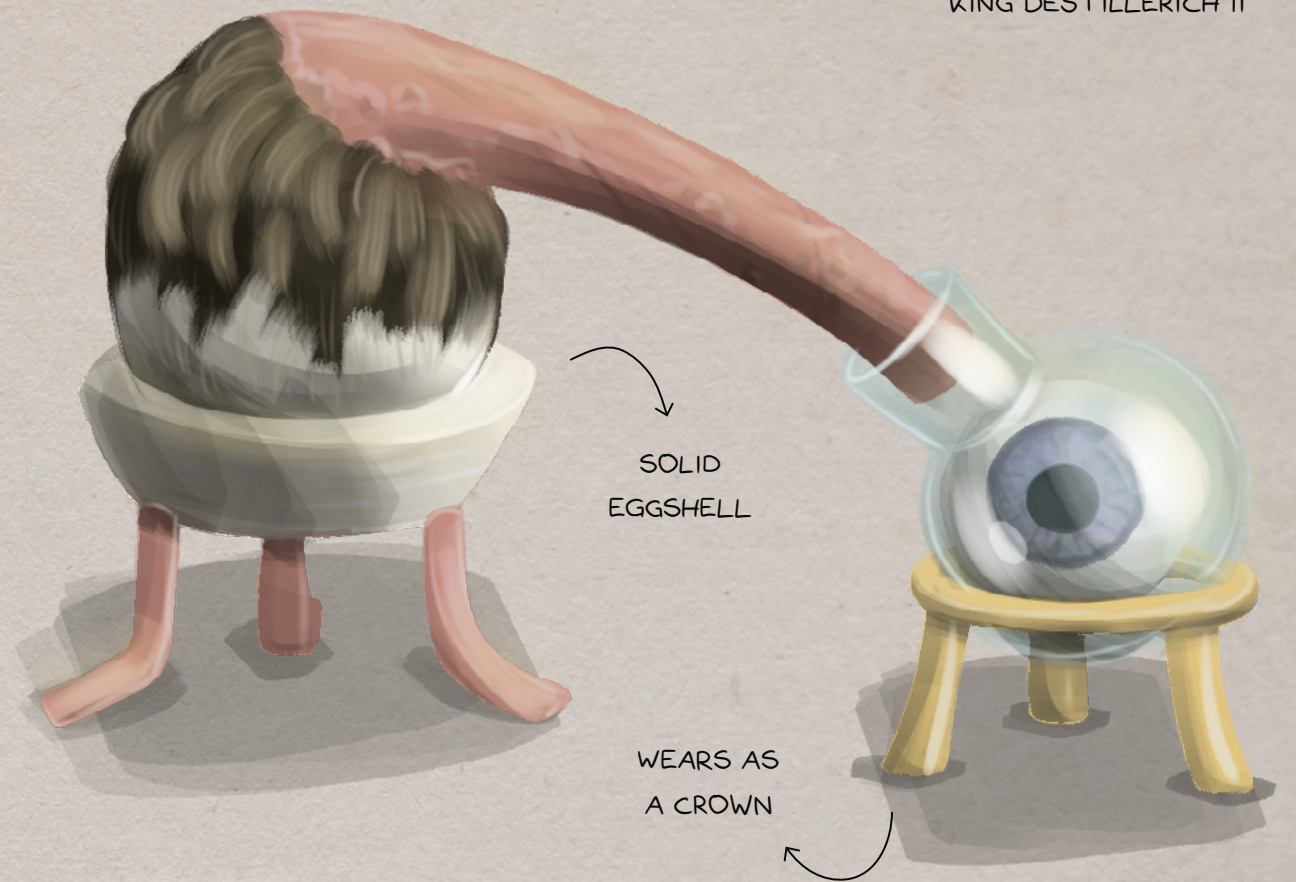
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KING DESTILLERICH II





TIER TWO

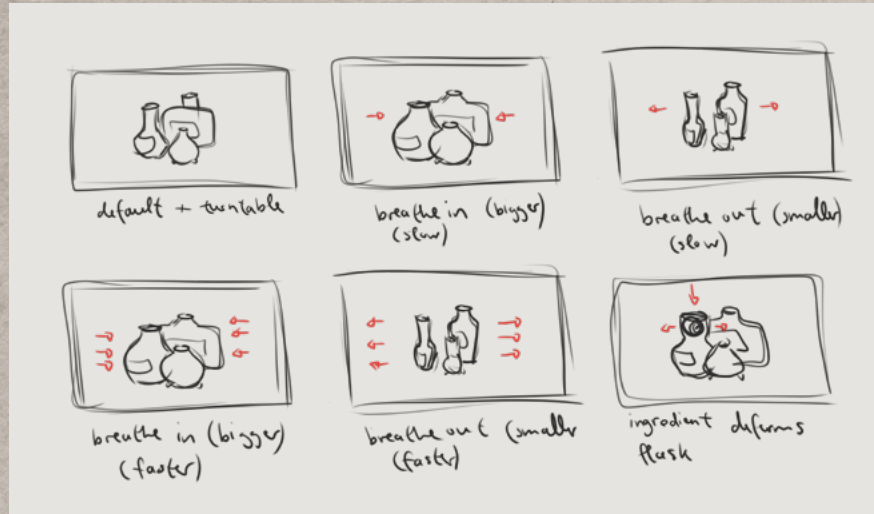


# FLASKA INFLATA

NOTHING SPECIAL HERE. JUST SOME BOTTLES TO STORE LIQUIDS LIKE MAGIC POTIONS AND OTHER STUFF IN, YOU PROBABLY THOUGHT. BUT AT THE LUNAR POWERS' APEX, THESE BOTTLES BEGIN TO BREATHE, NO, RATHER HYPERVENTILATE, BECAUSE THE MOON POWER IS JUST TOO MUCH FOR THEM AND THEY WILL PANIC. IN THIS STATE THEY ARE EMOTIONALLY AND PHYSICALLY UNSTABLE, SO DON'T GIVE THEM A REASON TO FREAK OUT EVEN MORE. THEIR BREATHING CAN BE CALMED WITH ANYTHING THAT HAS A GOOD SCENT. IF YOU HAVE MANAGED TO SOOTHE THEIR ANXIETY, THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO ADJUST THEIR VOLUME TO THE AMOUNT OF LIQUID YOU POUR IN AS WELL AS SOMETHING I LIKE TO CALL "REVERSED-SHIP-IN-A-BOTTLE-EFFECT", WHICH MEANS THEY CAN STORE SOLID INGREDIENTS AND ADAPT TO THEIR FORM.







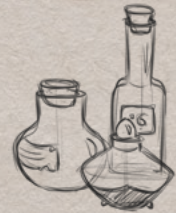
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MORPH SHAPE ONE



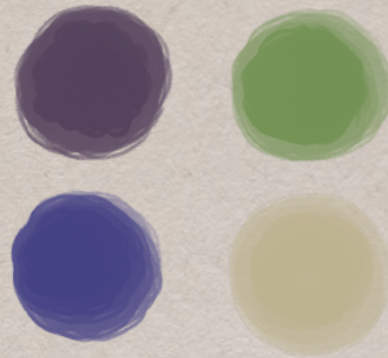
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INHALE



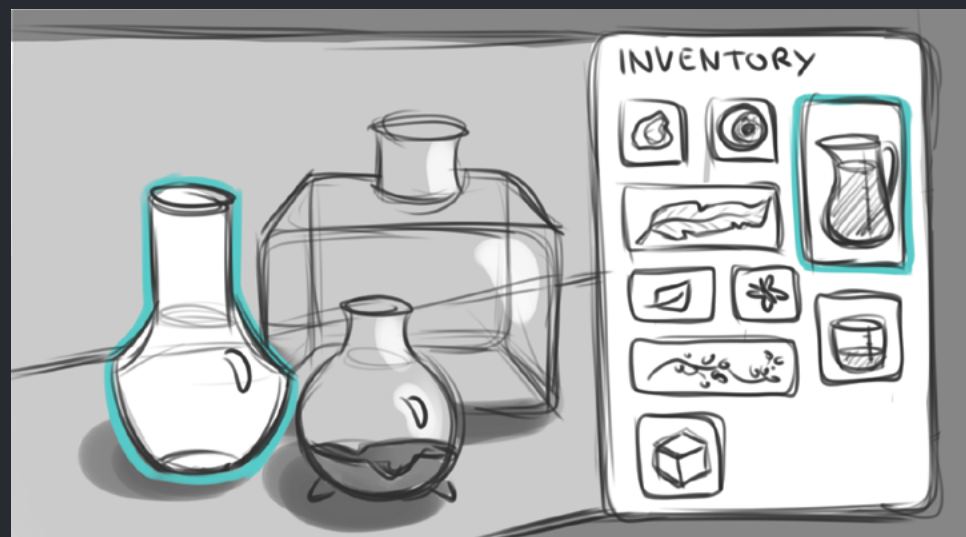
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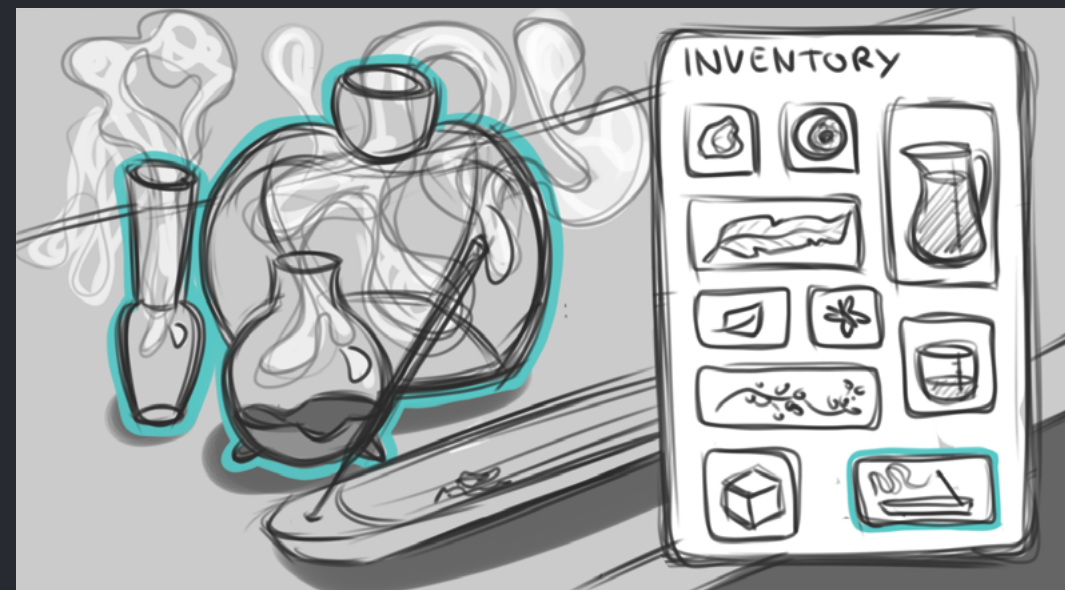




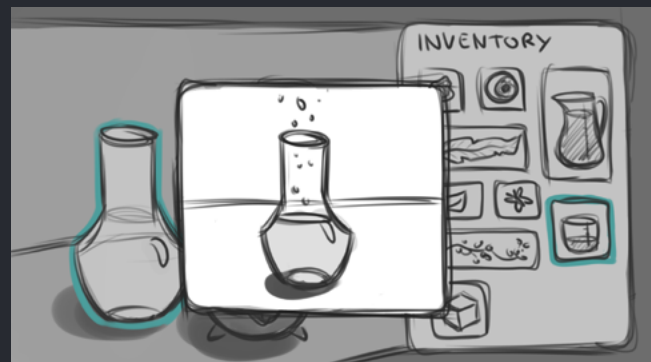
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STATIC STATE  
USE: MENU WITH INVENTORY



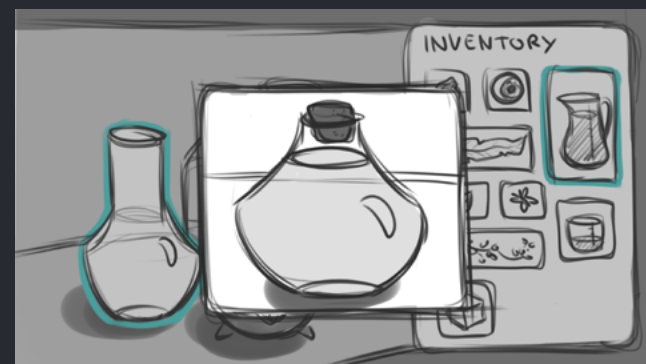
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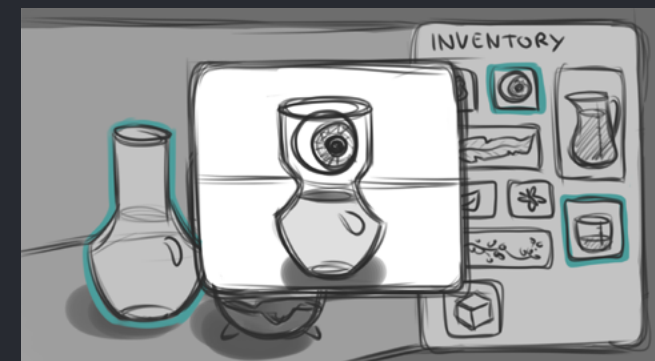


USE PROPER AMOUNT



ADAPTS TO AMOUNT  
OF LIQUID

REVERSED-SHIP-IN-A-BOTTLE-EFFECT:  
ADJUSTS TO SOLID INGREDIENTS







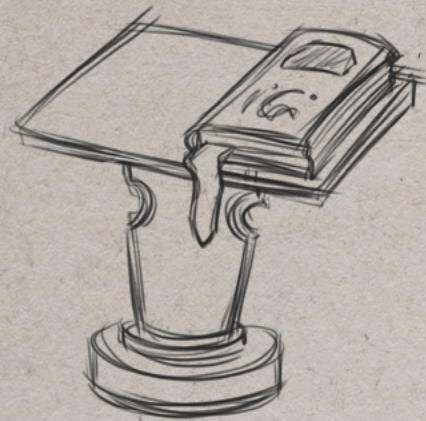


# BUUKMAR

THIS BOOK STAND HAS ONE OBVIOUS PURPOSE: HOLDING BOOKS. BUT UNDER THE LIGHT OF THE FULL MOON, BUUKMAR WILL TURN INTO A PASSIONATE SCRIBBLER AND RUIN ALL OF YOUR NOTES, IF YOU DON'T SOOTHE IT. SO BE WARNED, BECAUSE IT DOODLES ONTO ITSELF USING ITS BOOKMARK AS A QUILL AND CAN MAKE A MESS OF YOUR CURRENT WORK. THE GOOD THING IS THAT IT DOESN'T LIKE MISPELLINGS AND CONTEXTUAL MISTAKES, SO ONCE IT CALMS DOWN, IT ENSURES YOUR NOTES NEVER LACK ACCURACY. AND YOU HAVE A PRETTY PRECISE SPELLCHECKER!







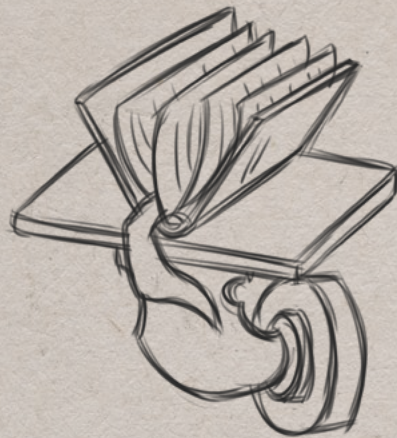
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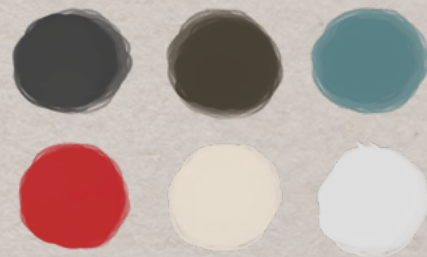


FLYING

COLOR  
VARIATION



PALE NIGHT  
WOOD





# MIMIOSA

THESE PLANTS ARE ESSENTIAL BASE INGREDIENTS FOR BREWING LUNAR POTIONS. THEY CAN AND WILL BECOME REALLY EMOTIONAL WITH THE RISING OF THE FULL MOON AND EACH OF THEM WILL HAVE DIFFERENT PERSONALITY TRAITS. TO SOOTHE THEM AND STRENGTHEN THEIR EFFECT AS INGREDIENTS, ALWAYS HAVE A PLUSHIE AROUND, TRUST ME.



MIMIOSA HAS A LOT OF ANXIETIES AND IS ALSO QUITE SHY. IF SOMEONE APPROACHES, ITS LEAVES CURL UP AND LOSE THEIR COLOR AS WELL AS THEIR MUCH-NEEDED CONTENTS. THE WHOLE PLANT TIGHTENS AND BEGINS TO TREMBLE, MAKING IT NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO HARVEST.

UNBENT &  
NUTRITIOUS



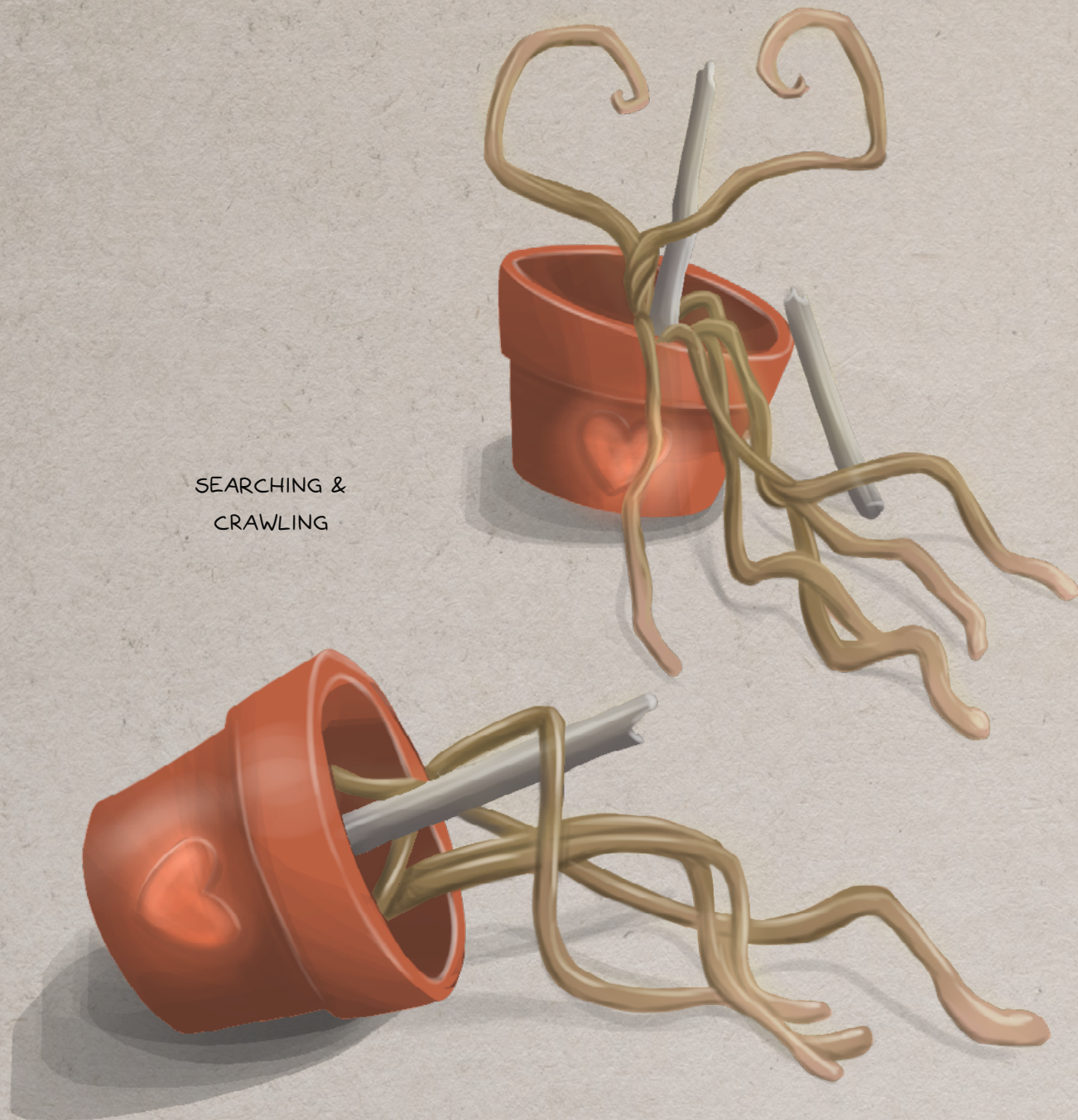
SCARED &  
LOW-NUTRIENT



PALE & HIDING  
& TREMBLING



SEARCHING &  
CRAWLING



## MORTIAMOS

MORTIAMOS LOVES TO... WELL, LOVE. IT'S ALWAYS IN SEARCH OF SOMETHING NEW TO HUG, BUT UNFORTUNATELY MOST OBJECTS ARE NOT STABLE ENOUGH AND BREAK AT ITS SQUEEZE, BECAUSE IT'S A PRETTY TIGHT AND CLINGY HUGGER. AND ONCE YOU FIND YOURSELF IN ITS TENTACLE-LIKE BRANCHES, IT MIGHT NEVER LOOSEN ITS GRIP AGAIN.



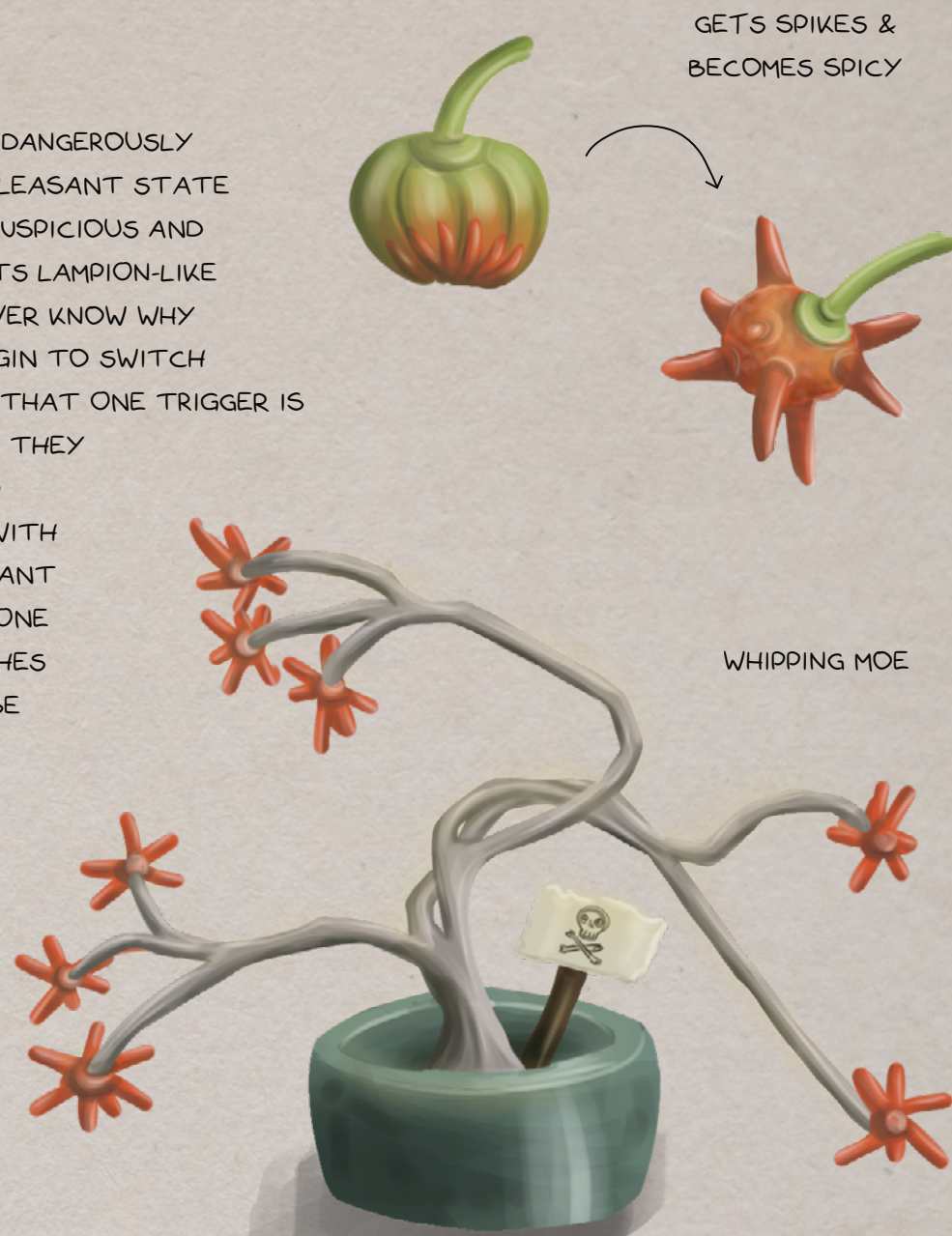




HAPPY MOE



MAD MOE



GETS SPIKES & BECOMES SPICY

WHIPPING MOE

## MAD MOE

WARNING! MAD MOE IS DANGEROUSLY AGGRESSIVE! IN ITS PLEASANT STATE IT TRULY LOOKS UNSUSPICIOUS AND KIND OF CUTE WITH ITS LAMPION-LIKE FRUITS, BUT YOU NEVER KNOW WHY OR WHEN IT WILL BEGIN TO SWITCH ITS MOOD. I LEARNED THAT ONE TRIGGER IS CROPPING ITS FRUITS. THEY THEN CONVERT INTO SMALL SPIKY FLAILS WITH WHICH THE WHOLE PLANT BEGINS TO WHIP ANYONE NEAR IT. ITS SCRATCHES HURT LIKE HELL, SO BE AWARE!

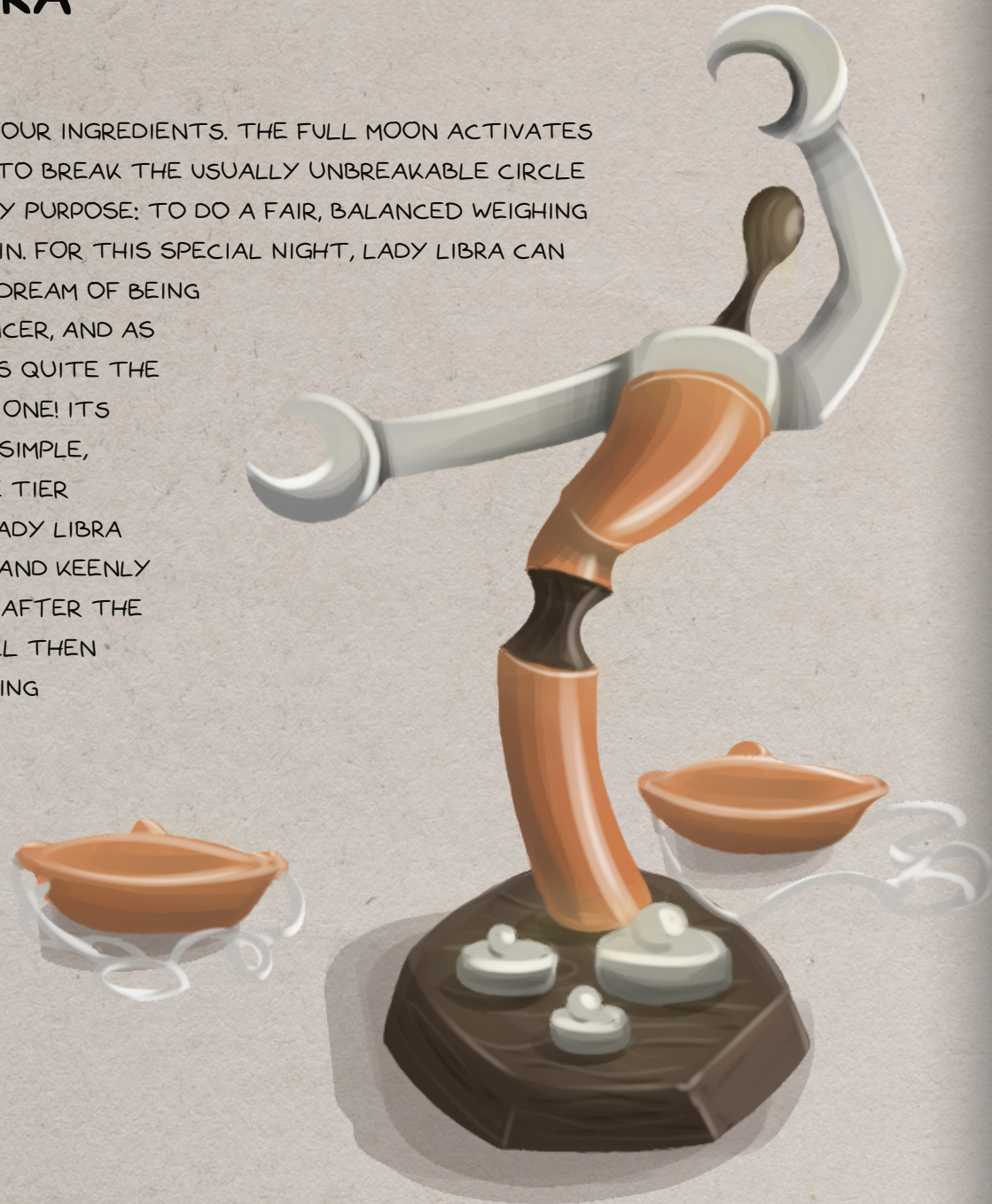


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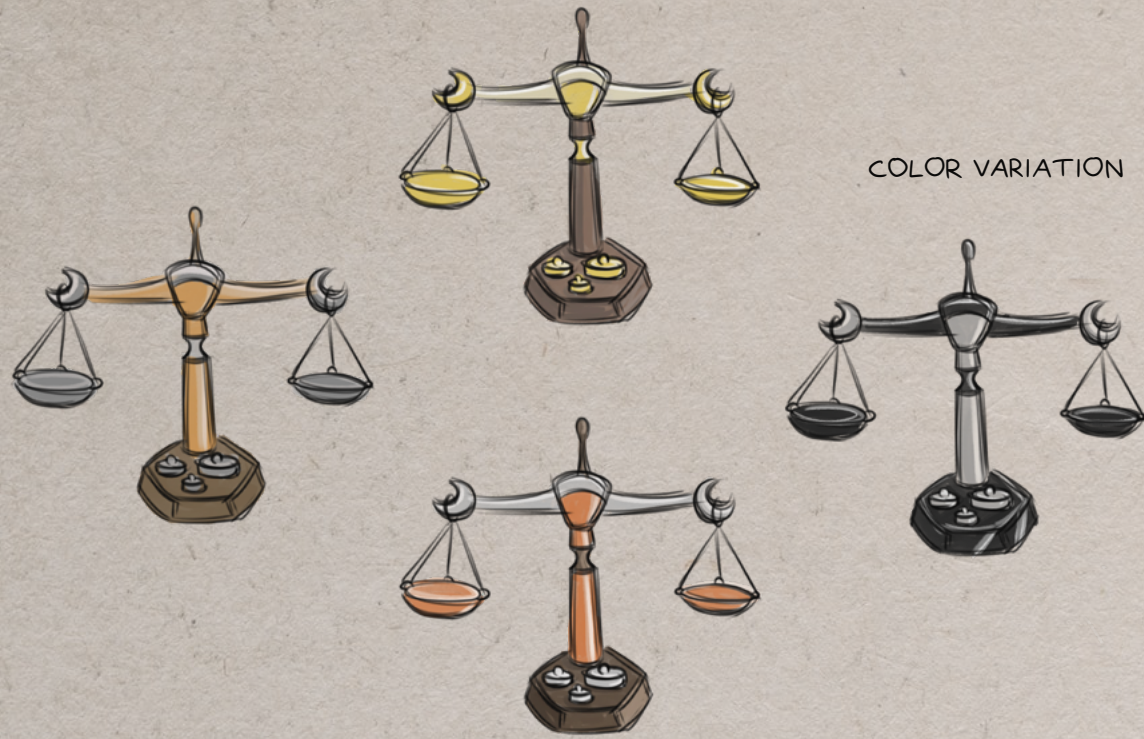


# LADY LIBRA

A SCALE TO WEIGH YOUR INGREDIENTS. THE FULL MOON ACTIVATES LADY LIBRAS POWER TO BREAK THE USUALLY UNBREAKABLE CIRCLE OF ITS ONE AND ONLY PURPOSE: TO DO A FAIR, BALANCED WEIGHING OVER AND OVER AGAIN. FOR THIS SPECIAL NIGHT, LADY LIBRA CAN FINALLY PURSUE ITS DREAM OF BEING A PROFESSIONAL DANCER, AND AS IT TURNS OUT IT HAS QUITE THE TALENT TO BECOME ONE! ITS SOOTHING IS FAIRLY SIMPLE, LIKE FOR ALL OF THE TIER ONE OBJECTS. LET LADY LIBRA PERFORM ITS DANCE AND KEENLY APPLAUD AND CHEER AFTER THE PERFORMANCE. IT WILL THEN BECOME A FUNCTIONING SCALE AGAIN.



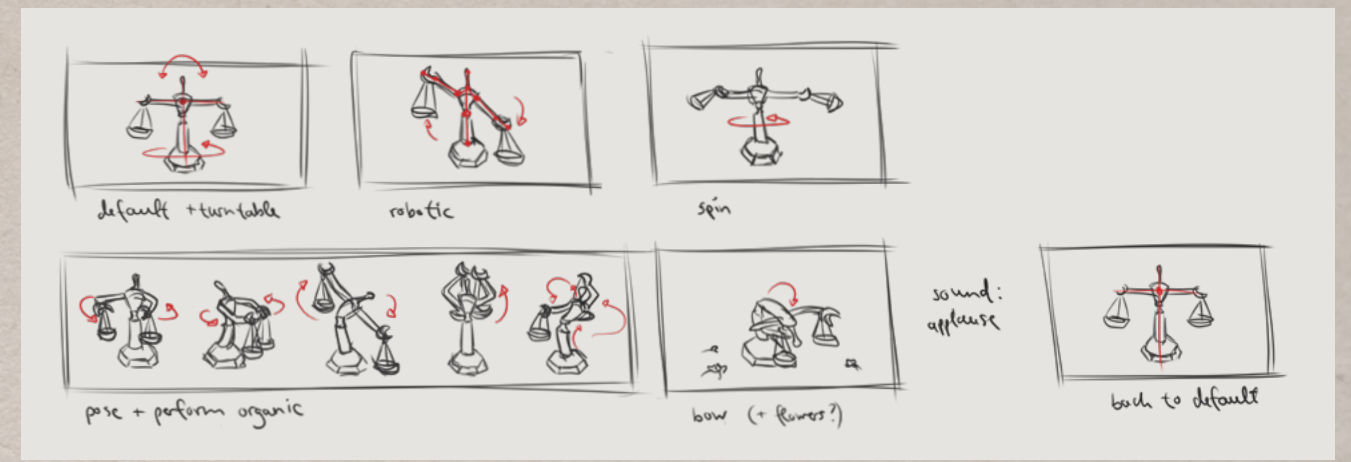




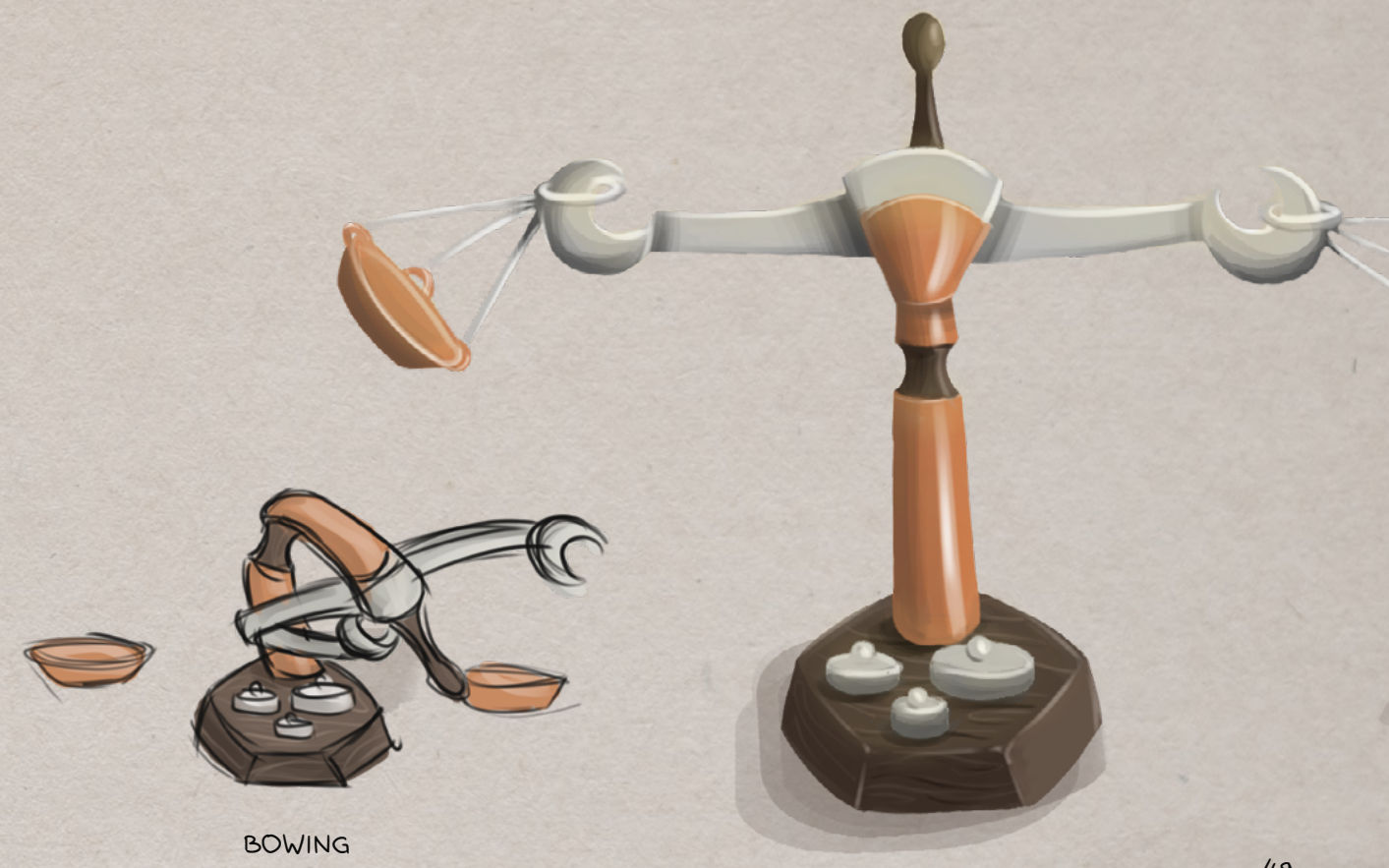
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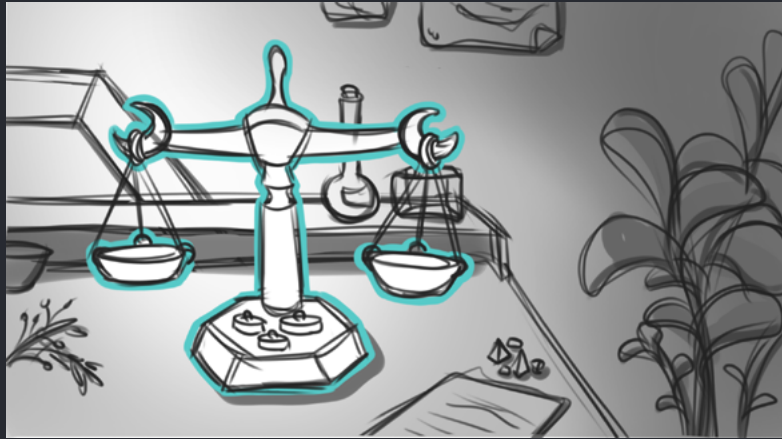


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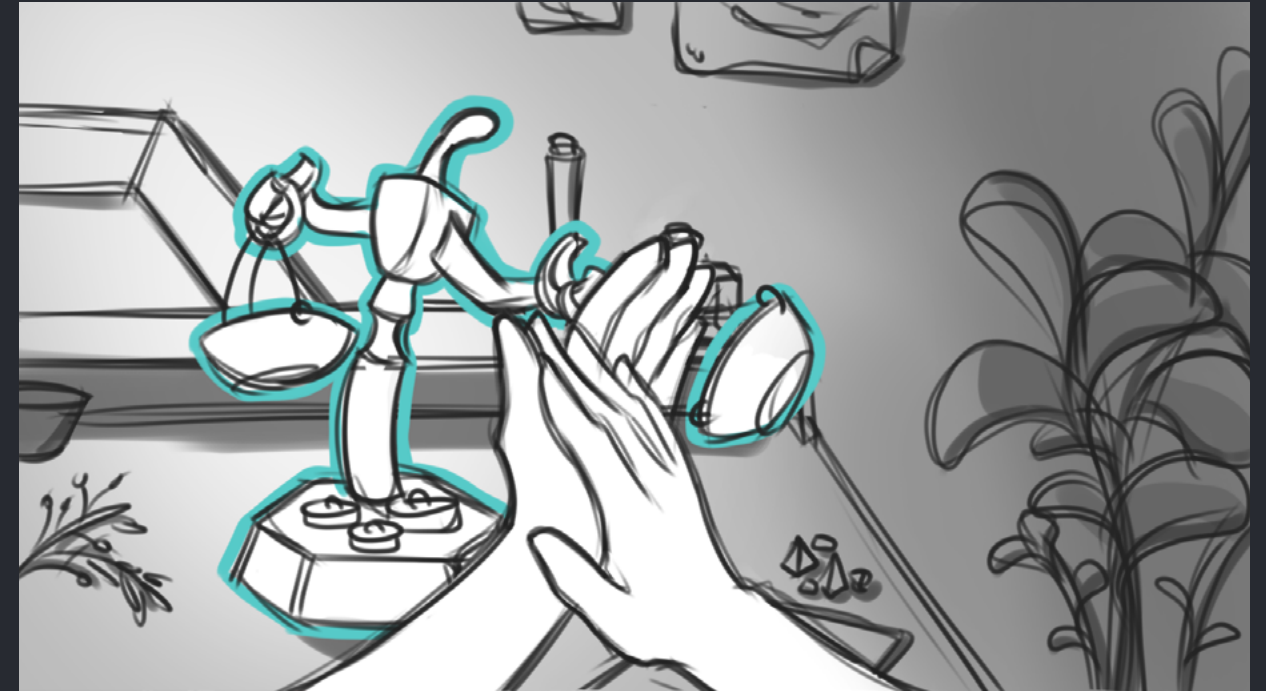


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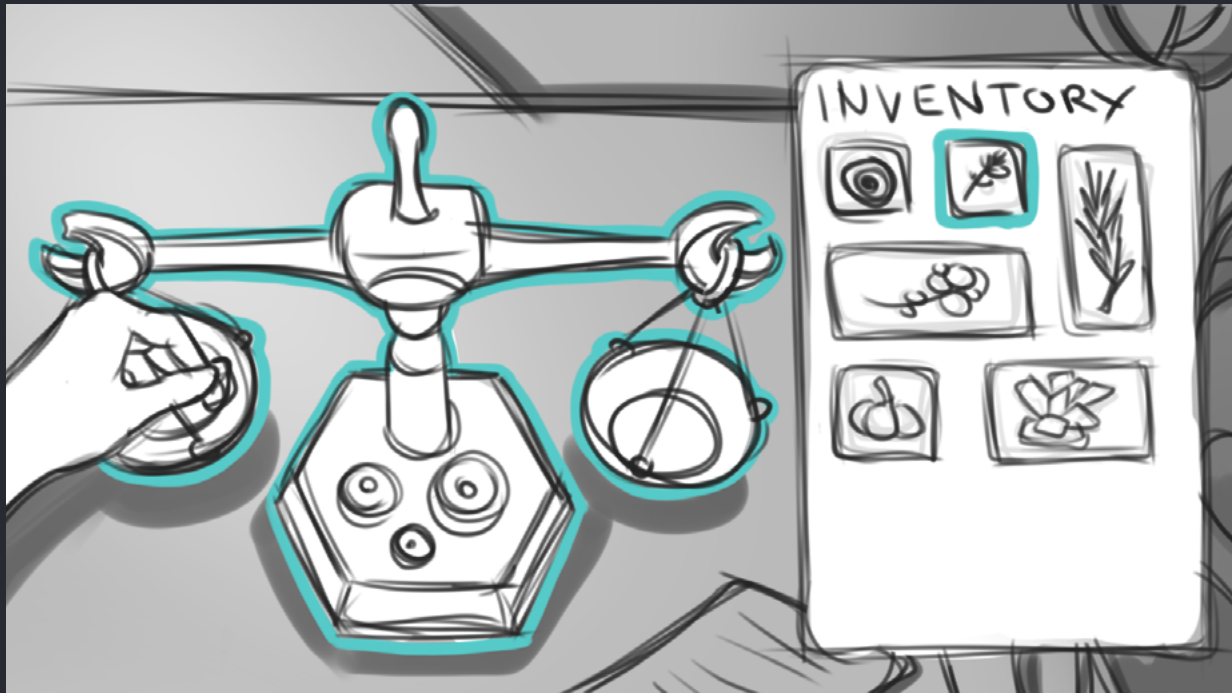


STATIC SCALE  
USE WITH INVENTORY MENU



LADY LIBRA PERFORMING  
SOOTHE WITH APPLAUSE

BACK TO STATIC STATE









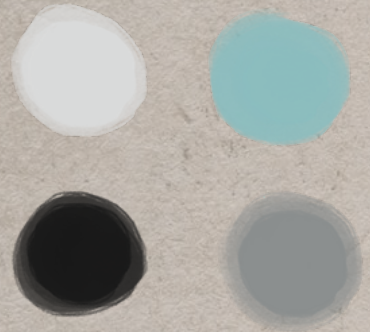


## MR. SPIT

THIS MORTAR WAS MADE OUT OF A MOONSTONE GEODE THAT WAS BROUGHT ONTO THE PLANET A FEW YEARS AGO BY A METEORITIC IMPACT. MEANING IT'S A PIECE OF THE MOON ITSELF, AND THEREFORE CONTAINS A LOT OF LUNAR ENERGY, WHICH OVERCHARGES THE MORTAR WHEN THE FULL MOON RISES. THIS MIGHT BE THE REASON WHY MR. SPIT VOMITS EVERY SINGLE INGREDIENT YOU TRY TO GRIND. IT CAN'T EVEN HOLD ITS POUNDER ANY LONGER. SOOTHE IT BY CLEANING AND BATHING IT IN ENERGY-ABSORBING HERBS.







CRYSTAL



ROSE WOOD



STONE & GOLD



MOONSTONE WITH  
INNER CRYSTAL  
& SILVER



SHAPE VARIATION



ANIMATION  
POSSIBILITY



STRUGGLE



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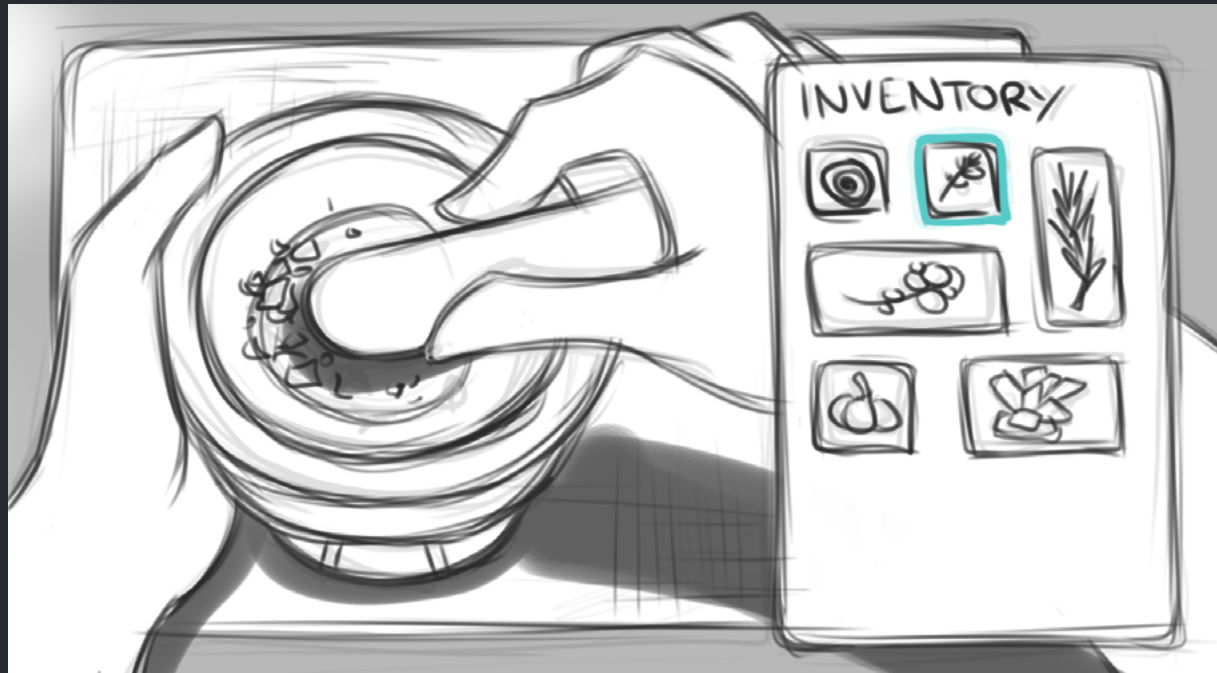
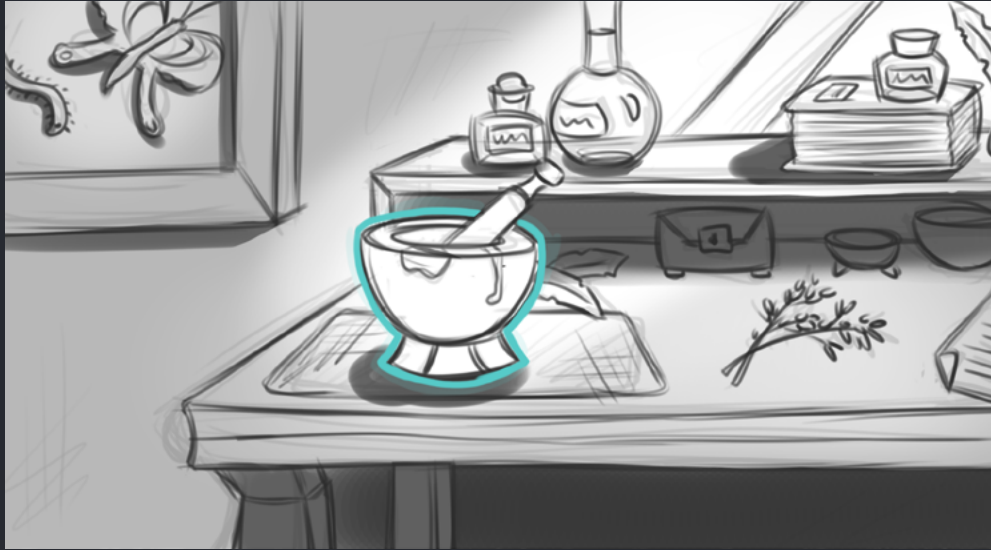


FORGIVE



STATIC MORTAR

USE WITH  
INVENTORY MENU



MR. SPIT CANT  
HOLD ANYTHING

SOOTHE WITH  
HERBAL TEA OR  
BATH



## WOODY

NOTHING IS SAFE FROM THE FULL MOON'S ENERGIES, NOT EVEN THE APOTHECARY CABINET WOODY. USUALLY IT CONTAINS INGREDIENTS FOR POTIONS AND SPELLS, BUT IN ITS DYNAMIC STATE IT BECOMES A WILD PARTY ANIMAL. BE AWARE THAT IT WILL IGNITE A FIREWORK WITH YOUR SUPPLIES AND UNFORTUNATELY, YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S GOING TO HAVE TO CLEAN UP THE MESS.

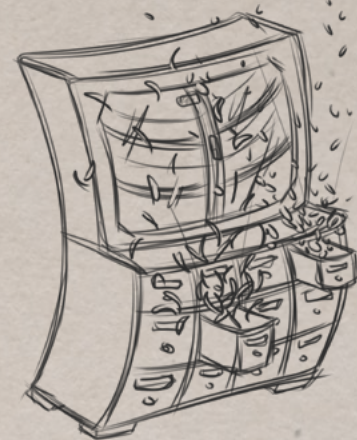


IF YOU PLAY RELAXING MUSIC BEFORE IT GETS ANY IDEAS, IT DOESN'T EVEN BOTHER TO DANCE, BECAUSE IT WILL PEACEFULLY SLEEP THROUGH THE NIGHT.

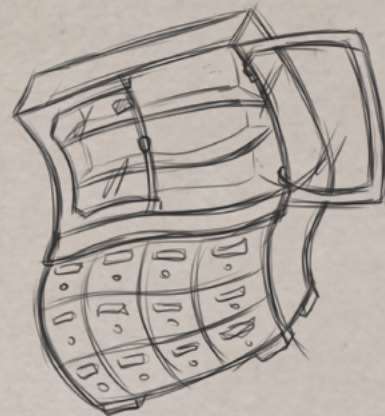




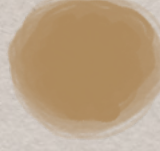
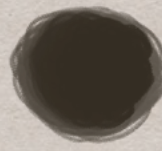
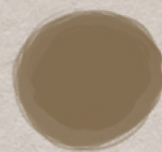
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IGNITING  
FIREWORKS



DANCING





**TIER ZERO**





## CAULDRON

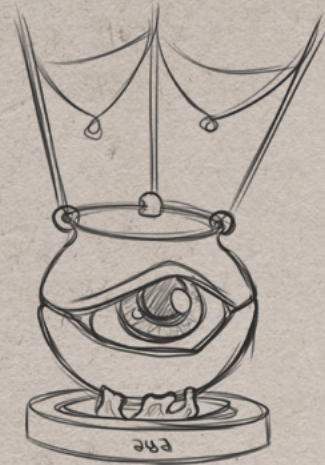
CAULDRON IS A SPECIAL OBJECT. ALTHOUGH IT IS INFLUENCED BY THE FULL MOON ENERGIES, IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE SOOTHED BECAUSE IT'S JUST CHANGING ITS APPEARANCE BASED ON THE LIQUID CURRENTLY BREWING INSIDE. THANKS TO MOTHER MOON, OUR MAIN WORKING TOOL ISN'T FULLY AFFECTED BY HER. MAYBE IT HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH ITS STANDARD LOOK, WHICH WAS CREATED IN HONOR OF HER.



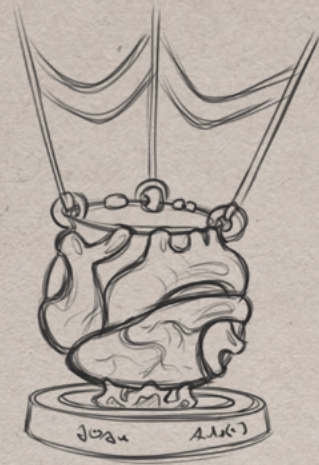




DEFAULT MOON  
CAULDRON



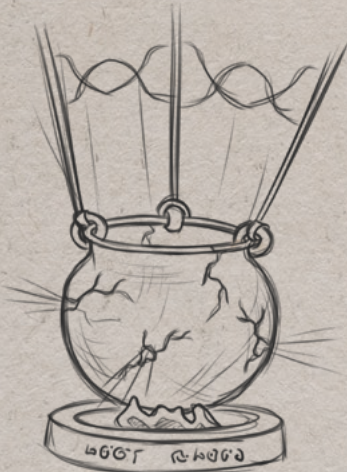
KEEN  
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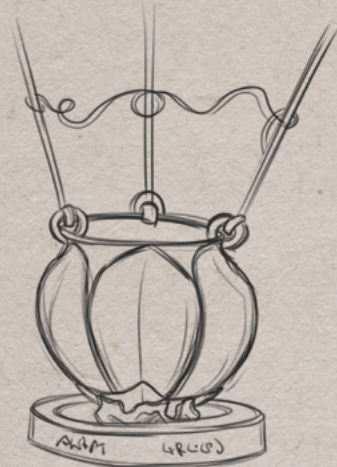
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TOXIC  
POISON



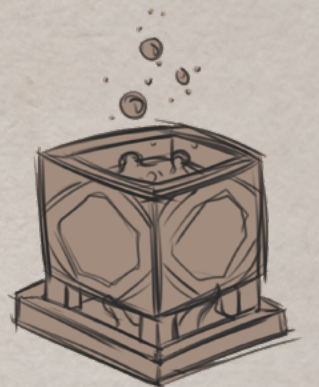
TEMPORARY  
LIGHT BLOCK



PLANT  
GROWTH



SHAPE  
VARIATION





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