

Skeptic's Spice

In-Game Description

A spice exuding a peculiar aroma.

*A spell demands devotion from its caster,
but using this spice makes a chosen spell
attainable with 1 less faith. Will only
work with assistance from a certain person.*

*The spice does not raise one's faith,
but only obfuscates the requirement.*

Use

Lowers the required Faith level to cast a specific Miracle or Hex by one. This is done through Magerold of Lanafir in Iron Keep through his Incense menu option.
Spells cannot be spiced to require lower than 10 Faith.

Availability

- Heide's Tower of Flame: When Bonfire Intensity is 2 or above, on a corpse near the first lever
- Lost Bastille: One floor down from Straid's Cell bonfire behind a wooden door.
Alternatively, you can ride the one person cell elevator up from the Pharros' Lockstone illusionary wall room.
- Belfry Luna: First level. Drop down from hole at second floor.
- Belfry Luna: Second floor on a corpse.
- Belfry Luna: Top floor. Same level as lever, behind a column.
- Harvest Valley: By the nasty Artificial Undead ambush (across the field from the The Mines bonfire).
- Earthen Peak: A pair of Poison Horn Beetle wait atop the stairs and above a ledge just prior to the top. The ledge is accessible from a little higher up and contains the spice.

- Shaded Woods: At the Shaded Ruins bonfire, walk halfway along the bridge and look right to see a tower in the distance. Walk ahead and circle right to get there. The spice is at the top of the tower on a body.
- Brightstone Cove Tseldora: Just by Cromwell the Pardoner. Cromwell may be found just before the Chapel Threshold bonfire.
- Shrine of Amana: Go down a single stair and to the right. The spice is at the end of the path (in a chest).
- Shrine of Amana: Just after the first house.
- Shrine of Amana: After the third bonfire, in the water after exiting the cave
- Dragon Shrine: Found on a body before the door leading to the area with the Petrified Egg.
- Memory of the Old Iron King: Treasure.
- Dropped by Hollow Mages in Brightstone Cove Tseldora (uncommon)
- Dropped by Leydia Witches in Undead Crypt (uncommon)

Notes

- The Intelligence counterpart is Simpleton's Spice.

Farming Guide

Belfry Luna

- Play offline to avoid being invaded by members of the Bellkeeper Covenant.
- Use Bonfire Ascetics on the Belfry Luna bonfire (the one after the Gargoyles) to respawn the spices, access the area with the skeptic's spices through a ladder going down located in the servant's quarters.
- One is on a railing on the second floor.
- One is on the first floor, accessed by dropping through the hole in the center of the second floor.
- One is on the top floor, on the outer wall.
- The Belfry Gargoyles must be killed every time.

Harvest Valley

- Use Bonfire Ascetics on the Mines bonfire to respawn the spices.
- One is located in one of the rooms in the area with all the sickle wielding undead.
- One is located just before the Covetous Demon in a hole in the ground with a poison bug.
- The Covetous Demon must be killed every time.

Shrine of Amana

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- Use Bonfire Ascetics on the Tower of Prayer Bonfire to respawn the spices.
 - One is located down a single stair and to the right. The spice is at the end of the path (in a chest).
 - One is just after the first house.
 - No bosses must be killed. Infinite farming
 - Use the Ascetics with caution, because this is an obligatory area for finishing the game. If you're considering to get the Illusory Ring of a Conqueror or/and the Illusory Ring of the Exalted on the next playthrough, using the ascetics will make this initial area harder (and getting the rings even harder), specially because there is a place where three Lindelt Clerics and a Amana Shrine Maiden simultaneously aggro at you, despite of trying to luring them one by one.

Undead Crypt

- Equip maximum Item Discovery and farm the Leydia Witches:
1. st route: From the Undead Ditch bonfire go to the next room and then go up the ladder located near the entrance. Kill the witch, drop down (to your left) and run to the bonfire to repeat this process. On the first run try to destroy all the grave stones that will get in your way.
 2. nd route: From the Undead Ditch, backtrack towards the entrance of the crypt avoiding the syan knights. Soon you'll find three Leydia Witches not looking at you. Kill them the fastest way you can, and return to the bonfire either on foot or by homeward bone. This way should be more effective because you kill more witches in less time, but is also harder, because it requires you to avoid the spells that are cast on you, and the undead that will get in your way.
- Join the Company of Champions covenant for endless respawns of enemies.
 - In comparisons to other methods, this can be slower because its based on luck, but **it doesnt require the use of** Bonfire Ascetics.
 - The witches can also drop Simpleton's Spice.
 - The witches can aslo drop Awestones (only if a member of Company of Champions). This becomes useful for progressing in this covenant offline.

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