

Dragon Shrine

Quick Reference

Boss	NPCs	Notable Loot	Enemies	Enemy Drops
Ancient Dragon	Ancient Dragon Head of Vengarl (summon) Melinda the Butcher (summon) Bashful Ray (summon)(SotFS)	Titanite Slab Petrified Egg Watchdragon Parma Crystal Magic Weapon Judgment Set Staff of Wisdom (DS II only) Drakekeeper's Greatshield Drakekeeper's Greataxe Fragrant Branch of Yore (SotFS) Ashen Mist Heart	Drakekeeper Dragon Knight Dark Priestess Mimic (DS II only) Invader Dragonfang Villard	Drakekeeper Set Drakekeeper's Sword Drakekeeper's Great Hammer Drakekeeper's Warpick Drakekeeper's Ultra Greatsword Drakekeeper's Shield Greatshield of Glory Black Dragon Sword Black Dragon Greataxe Black Dragon Warpick Black Dragon Shield Dragon Scale Priestess Set Cleric's Parma Washing Pole (DS II only)

General Information

Description

A towering citadel, circled by numerous flying dragons. This area is home to the Ancient Dragon and the servants who protect it. Here, the Ancient Dragon will give you the Ashen Mist Heart, enabling access to memories.

Connections

- Dragon Aerie

Bonfires

- **Shrine Entrance**

Inside the small building at the start.

Loot

- The Judgment Set can be found behind a Pharros' Contraption which is located underneath the early flight of stairs. In Dark Souls II, this chest also contains the Staff of Wisdom.
- In the ruins near the first Drakekeeper, there is a chest containing three Bonfire Ascetics.
- One Twinkling Titanite can be found in a chest close to the Dark Priestess.
 - At Bonfire Intensity 2+ the chest carries three Twinkling Titanites.
- A chest accessible from the Dark Priestess platform contains Drakekeeper's Greataxe and Drakekeeper's Greatshield.
- In Dark Souls II, the Washing Pole and a Petrified Dragon Bone are dropped by a Mimic.
 - At Bonfire Intensity 2+, the Mimic drops a Petrified Something instead of the Washing Pole.
- A Titanite Slab can be found in a chest to the left of the Mimic.
- The Petrified Egg can be found lying on a pedestal behind Dragonfang Villard.
- The Watchdragon Parma is in a chest just to the right of the Petrified Egg.
- Crystal Magic Weapon is in a chest on a ledge you drop down to after acquiring the Petrified Egg. In Scholar of the First Sin, this chest also contains a Fragrant Branch of Yore.

Notes

Dark Souls II

- Dragonfang Villard will invade you in the room with the Petrified Egg in it.
- The Petrified Egg can be turned in to Magerold of Lanafir to join the Dragon Remnants covenant.

Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin

- In *Dark Souls II: Scholar of the First Sin*: numerous Dragon Knights are present. They are neutral and will only bow to you unless you pass the Drakekeepers without defeating them or attack the knights themselves. Then they will attack you.
- The Dragon Knights only aggro in groups, as in if you run past or attack only one group, the next group of Dragon Knights will not attack you unless you also run past or attack them.
- Only the Dragon Knight at the end of the long staircase powerstancing the two great swords will attack you. It does not respawn.
- The Dragon Knights may attack you if you summon a white or gold phantom excluding NPC phantoms.
- You may summon a phantom without angering the Dragon Knights if the host has defeated the Dragon Knight with the two greatswords, and only one player attacks a

Drakekeeper at a time.

- They do not turn hostile if you challenge or kill the Ancient Dragon.
- They do not turn hostile if you take the Petrified Egg.
- Their aggro resets when the area reloads.

Walkthrough

Map (Japanese)

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Item Guide

Dragon Shrine Video Walkthrough (Starts at 20:30 from Dragon Aerie)

Starting at the first bonfire, head up the stairs and defeat the first Drakekeeper. Right behind him there should be a few barrels and crates, hiding a Pharros' Contraption. Activate it to reveal a chest containing the Judgment Set and the Staff of Wisdom. To the right of him, there should be an area with a chest (including x3 Bonfire Ascetics). After clearing this area, walk up the stairs behind him and confront the greathammer wielding Drakekeeper. Defeat him and turn left, walk up the stairs and kill the Drakekeeper there. There will be a chest here including a Twinkling Titanite, take it then "convince" the Dark Priestess to stop spamming miracles at you. From the circular platform you can jump to another platform with a chest that contains the Drakekeeper's Greataxe and Drakekeeper's Greatshield.

You've now cleared the first part of the area. Jump down from the platform and walk up the stairs. You will come upon two Drakekeepers. After killing them, look back to the area above the stairs you just climbed. You should see a few barrels and crates, roll through them and jump down. There will be two chests here. The chest to the right is a Mimic. After killing the Mimic and looting the chest, proceed onward.

After slaying the Mimic, follow the road to the Drakekeeper, slay him and enter the doors. Follow the staircase to the top of the tower. As you get close to the top, you will get invaded by Dragonfang Villard, who shouldn't be a real problem. Slay him and proceed by picking up the Petrified Egg. After picking it up, loot the chest to the right of it to claim a Watchdragon Parma. Jump down to the platform below, where you will find a chest with Crystal Magic Weapon. Take it or don't take it then jump down the last platform and you should be back by the Drakekeeper duo.

Enter the door right after the duo and you should come across a small hallway. Just run through it and open the door on the other side. You will come out at the top of the Citadel. Before reaching the peak, however, you will have to slay the last few guardians.. Start by killing the two Drakekeepers, then proceed to aggro one of the two Dragon Knights. Kill them both, one at a time and proceed by killing the next pair of Drakekeepers. Just be sure to aggro them from a distance. After slaying them, continue up the last piece of the stairs only to be met by the last Dragon Knight. He shouldn't be much of a fight so just kill him and proceed to the Ancient Dragon.

Area complete! You've looted every single item and killed every single opponent in the Dragon Shrine. You can now choose to either kill the Ancient Dragon or just talk to him to receive the Ashen Mist Heart and warp back to the last bonfire.

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