

# Mandrake

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Poisonous Mandrake  
You dangerous root  
One of the three fares  
When a man's time has come You look so human  
So different from any other plant  
You look so human  
That the devil might take you for a man White Mandragora  
With your root so thick, you are the male  
Black as the night on the outside  
Inside you're like a moon You look so human  
So different from any other plant  
You look so human  
That the devil might take you for a man Your leaves spread out  
So close to the ground Mandrake root  
Your berries are just like the sun  
Mandrake root  
As a female your root will be forked Your juice has been known  
To take away lives  
'Cause insanity  
Am I losing my mind? In the olden days it was believed  
That in the dark night you had to  
Tie a string from the neck of a  
Black dog to the Mandrake root Then move away, move away  
And with meat you must lure the dog  
To pull the Mandrake root from the ground Cover your ears  
'Cause the cry of the Mandrake root  
No man has ever survived  
The dog will surely die White Mandragora  
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'Cause insanity  
Am I losing my mind?Mandrake root  
Bring me your poisonous love  
Mandrake root  
I need you to bring me that loveMandrake root  
Mandrake root, bring me love  
Mandrake root  
Bring me that poisonous thing  
That everyone is calling love

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