

Voodoo: A Religion that Teaches With Despair Come Great Hope, It Preaches Only Love

The practice of **Voodoo** is perhaps, as old as the African continent as itself. Sometimes, it is written as Vodun, Voudou or Vodou, the word itself refers to Great Spirit or God Creator. Even if you were to check out the word in dictionary, Vodun is defined as a religion that is practiced throughout Caribbean nations, particularly Haiti, is a blend of Roman Catholic rites and animistic beliefs, involving use of trances for communicating with ancestors' spirits.

Furthermore, "The Encarta Dictionary" states it is a theory, belief or method that lacks sufficient proof or evidence. This religion did spread like an epidemic to Haiti, but did not originate there. After being performed for practicing their religion, the African slaves adapted some rites and rituals to replicate the worshipping practices of their owners.



Vodun is a life avowing practice that encourages its practitioners and believers to better understand their own spiritual natures and natural life processes.

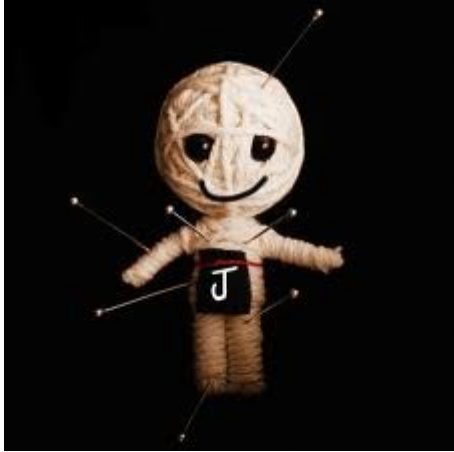
Today, **Voodoo** is practiced by millions of people across the globe, in the Caribbean, Africa, Central, South and North America, in numerous forms, usually with components of Catholicism mixed in. However, its key objective always remains to heal; to heal a person in relationships within himself, other and ultimately with God. Currently, around 15% of the population of New Orleans practice Vodun.

Never should this wonderful religious practice have been misused or corrupted the way it has been.

Vodun has been greatly misused and tainted; vampires, devil worship, human sacrifices and dripping blood all make the stuff of grisly Hollywood movies and spooky novels. Yet none of these things ever belonged to or originated with Vodun.

What may surprise people even more is **Voodoo** is an extremely loving religious practice, one that entails its practitioners to adhere to high morals and strict ethics. Summed up, these ethics pass on the Vodun law of "Harm None", which enforces its believers to be consistently heedful of daily actions and consequences, and their interactions with human beings, flora and fauna, and the environment we live in.

Vodun incorporates a fusion of religious practices and beliefs in its studies. These comprises of, Mystical Quabalah, old African traditions and African Philosophy. From African philosophy, Vodun derives its belief system of Reincarnation and Karma, Cause and Effect. The Quabalah renders its principles of Spiritual Evolution via "path-working" and Esoteric Knowledge. And, from African tradition Vodun receives its understandings and passions of nature and its Deities.



What do Voduns Worship?

The foundation of Vodun is based on the belief and teachings that there are several forms of “Divine Spirits” that live with us here on Earth and in Heavenly realms as well, all of which are benign, and accessible by humans to aid us with our needs both spiritually and physically. Many of these Divine Spirits are found in Nature- in the sky, Earth and in the elements.

The God of Vodun: Vodun is a monotheistic religion believing only in one God. The God of [Voodoo](#), Grand Maitre created everything, and can destroy everything in case he wishes to do so. He is so persuasive and aloof that he cannot be directly contacted by humans, but is reached by means of spirits, referred to as Loa. Loa were created by Grand Maitre to intervene between the divine and mankind realms.

Loa are also referred to as Mysteries and can be classified into 3-separate categories:

1. The Guedes, the Loa spirits signifying death and the deed
2. The Pethro, the Loa that turns angry easily and become violent on occasions during the ceremonies
3. The Rada, they are gentler among the Loa spirits

Furthermore, Loa can be male or female and represents numerous things. Some can be forces of nature, some can be forces of universe and some can be spirits of ancestors. The ‘Mysteries’ can signify day-to-day life, health and well-being, life to death, good to evil, Sexuality and reproduction. Some of the Loa spirits worshipped and invoked by Voodoo followers are: Adja, Ayida, Baron Samedi, Brise, Congo Savanne, Clermeil, Diejuste, Erzilie, Gran Boa, Linto, Legba, Marinette Bwa Chech, Ogoun, Obatala, Sobo and Ti Jean.

The Loa are called upon by the Priest or Priestess during ceremonies and proceed to acquire some of the individuals who worship. These individuals are referred to as “Horse.” The Loa act and talk via the acquired. The practitioners of Vodun believe when an individual is acquired by the Loa, the human souls are momentarily replaced by the Loa. The Priest in Vodun religion is called Papa or Hougan, and the Priestess as Manman or Mambo.



Different Types of Vodun Spells:

Powerful **Voodoo** spells can be found in all types of varieties- marriage spells, attraction spells, money spells, true [love spell](#), love spells, good health spells, protection spells, reuniting spells, romance spells and sex and lust spells. Some spells operate by means of amulets.

Popular Vodun Love Spells:

1. Vodun True Love Magic Spells- One of the most influential **Voodoo Love spell** around is created to bring true love and is known as Peacock lover spell.
2. Bring Your Ex-Lover back- These are another of the popular Vodun love magic spells. These are one of the Vodun spells that would not work immediately and you will have to wait for 40 days to observe changes.
3. Marriage spells- These spells are the most popular ones and are easy to perform.

Vodun and Magic:

Much of misconceptions about Vodun crop out from its practice of doing magick. The magick is usually wrongfully attached to some kind of devil-worship by those people who do not take out the time to properly research the facts. In truth most Vodun practitioners do not believe in a devil.

Vodun Tools:

During ceremonies, priest and priestess utilize ritual tools to aid them with their performances. These include candles, herbs, dolls, oils, scents and pentacles. Most items correlate with elements of nature, and each of them have a specific role to play in rituals.

It is believed by Vodun practitioners that most of the natural materials-from pebbles to plants, withhold specific energies that may be used in magic as additional aids for achieving desired results. The most popular of all natural materials is the use of Herbs.

Word of Warning

All Vodun believers will tell you that casting **Voodoo** spells is not a child's play. In case you are trying to cast Vodun spells and have not education on the background of the subject they might fail, works against your will or even

have deadly consequences. It is important that you seek the help of Vodun priest and priestess, and cast spells for positive purposes. Vodun is a religion that deeply believes you can connect to God by means of different spirits.