Ancient Egyptian Amulets

What were amulets?

The Ancient Egyptians wore amulets - magical charms – for protection and good luck. They believed these objects had powerful properties that could protect the wearer during life and even after death!

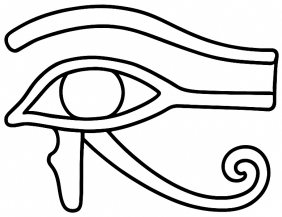
When someone died, many different kinds of amulets were placed inside the mummy wrappings. These amulets often represented plants, animals, or parts of the body, and were carefully positioned on the body according to the ***Book of the Dead***.

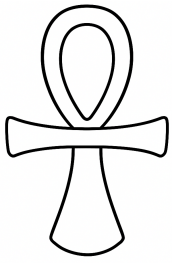
Each amulet had a special purpose, like:

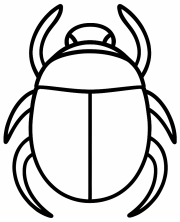
Eye of Horus (Wedjat eye) – to give protection and health

Ankh – for eternal life and protection

Scarab beetle – to help with resurrection







Make Your Own Scarab Amulet

Follow these simple steps to create your own scarab just like the Ancient Egyptians!

You'll need:

- A small piece of air-dry clay
- A paper clip (optional)
- A toothpick or cocktail stick

Instructions:

1. Roll your clay into an oval-shaped ball (about 3 cm long).
2. Insert a paper clip gently into the top until only a small loop shows. *(This is to thread a necklace or keyring — optional!)*
3. Flatten the long sides slightly by pressing the clay gently onto a flat surface.
4. Decorate using your toothpick: mark the scarab's head, eyes, and wi**ngs**.
5. Let the clay dry completely.

Now you have your own magical scarab amulet to wear or carry with you!

