

Black Dagger, +2, +3 vs. Humans, +4 vs. Other-Dimensional Creatures, -1 vs. Undead (cursed)  
(unknown)

As the title suggests this dagger is completely black from hilt to tip. On the pommel is a luminous sun that will slowly turn into a new moon the longer the bearer has it in his possession. From the tip to the guard runs a fine trench, when inserted a thick dark liquid runs from the guard to tip and into the body of the target.

Any hit by the weapon injects liquid into the target via the blade's trench. This liquid dissolves the area that it is injected into leaving a completely "black hole." This darkness will slowly envelop the injured at a rate of 1 cubic foot every 3 turns. The damage is 1d20 every 3 turns. This hole is continuously collapsing upon itself so that it has no mass and any non-magical item put into it is destroyed including the hand of the wielder. Magical items are unaffected but instead pierce this hole of darkness letting the injected liquid leak out (but still leaving a hole in the primary victim). If this liquid is touching organic material it forms another black hole of smaller size. The Black Dagger itself does not pierce the black hole but instead can pass straight through it leaving the wielder unaffected.

Unfortunately if used against large creatures, such as giants or large dragons, a critical miss will still hit the creature but the blade will break at the hilt, leaving the blade in the body and spraying everything organic for a 10' radius with the dark liquid including the wielder. The dagger is now beyond repair even with a Wish.

Regeneration and healing of the character can only commence once holy water has been poured into the wound at a scale of 1 vial per 3 cubic feet. This destroys the darkness but does 1d4 damage for every foot that the black hole has removed.

Over several months the owner of the dagger slowly appears more morbid, the skin becomes grey and the character slowly looks like a corpse. This reduced their charisma at a rate at the discretion of the DM. The character will not notice this and any attempt to convince him will result in immediate denial and if pestered may become violent. The appearance of the character will improve once the dagger is no longer in his possession. If after several years the character still has the dagger he will be unable to stand daylight and will eventually become nocturnal.

The Black Dagger was forged from a metal extracted from another dimension dissimilar to our own. Ferrus the evil Lich sacrificed half of his power to gain the metal and while smelting it was turned upon by his second in command. Before his second in command could kill him Ferrus swore revenge and disappeared in a flash of darkness into the molten metal. The metal was then forged into the Black Daggers by his slaves and dispersed among his army. It is not known how many of these daggers were created but it is believed that Ferrus's power is one with that of the daggers.

XP Value: -

GP Value: 100,000