

I Want My Mummy!



Let me tell you who I am. My name is Anubis and I am the Egyptian god of mummification. I hear you want to be an apprentice to the High Priest. A worthy goal indeed! But be warned my friend...succeed and the gods will smile down on you, fail and a curse will hang around your neck forever.

Wash and shave your master so you can start to make your mummy. First, take an iron hook and scrape out the brain through a nostril. After this, make a small cut on the left side of the corpse and remove the lungs, liver, stomach and intestines. Put them to one side for later.

With the corpse now empty, put the body into an embalming bath and pack inside and out with natron - a salt-like powder found in the desert. Do the same with the organs taken out of the body.

After forty days, remove the dry body out of the bath and rinse the natron off with water. Pat dry and rub the skin with oil and wine perfumed with spices.

To keep its shape, the body will need to be re-packed with linen, sawdust and bundles of surplus natron. This process will also need to be done to the organs.

* Please see the key below so you don't mix them up!

To make your mummy look more lifelike, fill the nostrils with beeswax. Then paint a face onto the skin itself. A golden mask can be put on top if wanted. Remember to use beautiful glass eyes and tip the finger and toe nails with gold.

The embalming process is now over. You can finish your mummy by gently wrapping him in the finest linen: first individual fingers and toes, before wrapping each arm and leg and then finally the entire body.

It may have taken you seventy days of hard (and sometimes messy) work but your job is now at an end and your master is ready to travel to the next world with honour and glory.



* Key



Canopic Jar
Organs



Human head
Liver



Jackal's head
Stomach



Baboon's head
Lungs



Falcon's head
Intestines