The Well

a ritual for the New Moon in Scorpio

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There is a kind of dark that frightens us, and a kind of dark that holds us. This new moon is the second kind: still, cool, very deep, and willing to give you exactly what you lower a bucket down to ask for.

NEW MOON Mon, Nov 9, 2026 · 1:02 a.m. Central	OTHER TIME ZONES 2:02 a.m. Eastern · 11:02 p.m. Pacific, Sun 8th
WHERE 16°53′ Scorpio, fixed water	MERCURY AND VENUS Both turn direct Fri, Nov 13
FIRST CRESCENT Dusk, Nov 11 or 12, low in the west	FULL MOON Tue, Nov 24, in Gemini

You'll need

- A bowl of clean water, the darker the bowl the better
- A small, smooth stone
- Paper and a pen (page two is for this)
- A battery candle, or a candle in a steady holder
- Twenty quiet minutes, any evening from November 9 to 11

Scorpio does not do small talk. This is a moon for the honest question, the one you have been circling for months. Plant the seed now, and let it sit until after Friday the 13th before you make the call or sign the page.

The ritual

I **Make the room dark.** Let the candle be the only light. Set the bowl before you and look into the water until your breathing slows.

II **Lower the bucket.** Write the question on page two, then write without stopping for five minutes.
Don't edit. Scorpio prefers the first, honest draft.

III **Find the true thing.** Read it back and underline the one sentence that makes your chest go quiet. That is your intention.

IV **Give it weight.** Hold the stone, say your sentence aloud, and lower the stone gently into the bowl. Watch the ripples spread and settle.
What is planted in deep water stays planted.

V **Let the well keep it.** Leave the bowl on a windowsill overnight. In the morning, pour the water onto a houseplant or bare soil, and carry the stone until the full moon.

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Deep water, dark moon, hold what I've named.
Keep it still, keep it safe, and bring it back changed.

A note of care: keep any candle on a steady surface, away from paper, and never leave it burning unattended. Small stones can be a choking hazard, so keep the bowl out of reach of little ones and pets.

What do I truly want,

under everything I'm supposed to want?

Write without stopping for five minutes. Don't cross anything out. If you get stuck, write the question again and keep going.

THE ONE SENTENCE · MY INTENTION FOR THIS MOON

Three questions for the dark, if you want to go deeper

What have I been keeping beneath the surface that is ready to be spoken, even just to myself? · What slow change is already happening in me, where no one can see it yet? · If I trusted the dark to hold my wish, what would I let myself ask for?

Watching the seed grow

a moon tracker for November 9 to 24

Each evening, touch the stone in your pocket and say your intention once, then tick the box. The moon shapes show her about 9 p.m. Central each night, with the sign she is passing through.

	NIGHT	MOON IN	NOTE	DONE
	Mon, Nov 9	Scorpio	*New moon · plant the seed*	☐
	Tue, Nov 10	Sagittarius		☐
	Wed, Nov 11	Sagittarius	*Look for the first crescent*	☐
	Thu, Nov 12	Capricorn	*Easier crescent*	☐
	Fri, Nov 13	Capricorn	*Mercury and Venus turn direct*	☐
	Sat, Nov 14	Capricorn		☐
	Sun, Nov 15	Aquarius		☐
	Mon, Nov 16	Aquarius		☐
	Tue, Nov 17	Pisces	*First quarter · take one step*	☐
	Wed, Nov 18	Pisces		☐
	Thu, Nov 19	Pisces		☐
	Fri, Nov 20	Aries		☐
	Sat, Nov 21	Aries		☐
	Sun, Nov 22	Taurus		☐
	Mon, Nov 23	Taurus		☐
	Tue, Nov 24	Gemini	*Full moon in Gemini*	☐

When I saw the first crescent

At the full moon, what has grown?

For a longer practice with a countdown in your own time zone, visit the New Moon Ritual at thewildwandering.com.