NEVER IN MY WILDEST NIGHTMARES COULD I HAVE CONCEIVED OF THE HORRORS THAT AWAITED ME WITHIN THAT CURSED DEN. THE BILE WITCH. A WRETCHED MOTHER SOAKED IN AFTERBIRTH PRESIDED OVER A BROOD OF CHILDREN OF RUIN, EACH BEARING THE MARK OF THEIR MALEVOLENT LINEAGE. AS THEY CLOSED IN, I HEARD HER WHISPERS, HOLLOW AND PITILESS, LIKE THE WIND THROUGH A GRAVEYARD. 'EAT, SHE HISSED, FEAST UPON THE INTERLOPERS. IN THAT MOMENT, I REALIZED THAT THE BOND BETWEEN THEM WAS NOT ONE OF WARMTH AND LOVE, BUT OF SUFFERING AND DESPAIR, A FAMILY FORGED IN THE CRUCIBLE OF DARKNESS.

## BILE WITCH OF RUIN LARGE FIEND, NEUTRAL EVIL

#### Armour Class 16

**Hit Points** 180 (19d10+76) **Speed** 20 ft.

	STR	DEX	CON	INT	WIS	CHA	
ř	16 (+3)	10 (+0)	19 (+4)	12 (+1)	12 (+1)	14 (+2)	

#### Saving Throws STR +7, CON +8

Skills Arcana +5, Insight +5, Medicine +1, Religion +1 Damage Resistances acid, bludgeoning, cold, lightning, necrotic, spells Damage Immunities poison, psychic Damage Vulnerabilities fire Condition Immunities charmed, diseased, frightened, grappled, poisoned Senses truesight 120 ft., Passive Perception 11 Languages Common, Abyssal, Infernal Challenge 11 (7,200 XP) Proficiency Bonus +4

**Miasma of Decay.** Creatures within a 10 ft. radius emanating from a Bile Witch of Ruin must succeed on a DC 15 Constitution saving throw against poison or be stunned. Stunned creatures can repeat the saving throw at the end of each of their turns, recovering with a successful save. This save only has to be taken once per encounter.

**Magic Resistance.** A Bile Witch of Ruin has advantage on saving throws against spells and other magical effects.

#### Actions

**Claws.** Melee Weapon Attack: +7 to hit, reach 5 ft., one target. Hit: 6 (1d6+3) slashing damage plus 5 (2d4) necrotic damage.

**Innate Spellcasting.** A Bile Witch's innate spellcasting ability is Charisma (spell save DC 14, +6 to hit with spell attacks). It can cast the following spells, requiring no material components:

1/Day: Minor Illusion, Charm Person

**Spellcasting.** Atriarch of Ruin (Bile Witch) is a 10th-level spellcaster. Its spellcasting ability is Charisma (spell save DC 14, +6 to hit with spell attacks). Atriarch of Ruin (Bile Witch) has the following Warlock spells prepared:

Cantrips (at will): Eldritch Blast, Mage Hand, Minor Illusion, Poison Spray, Prestidigitation, True Strike, Chill Touch

1st-5th level (2 5th level slots): Eldritch Blast, Mage Hand, Minor Illusion, Poison Spray, Prestidigitation, True Strike, Chill Touch, Hellish Rebuke, Protection from Evil and Good, Hold Person, Suggestion, Magic Circle, Counterspell, Hallucinatory Terrain, Contact Other Plane, Ray of Enfeeblement

# BILE WITCH OF RUIN

In the shadowed annals of the Abyss, the Bile Witches stand as a chilling testament to the twisted desires that can manifest in the darkest corners of existence. Driven by an unquenchable yearning for the elusive connection of motherhood, these sinister beings perpetually birth the dreaded Children of Ruin into their accursed realm. Yet, their insatiable pursuit of progeny only leaves them feeling more hollow, isolated, and bereft.

The tragic cycle of a Bile Witch is one of perpetual heartache, as each birthing ritual yields children who emerge from their maternal source before any true bond can form. A Bile Witch is eternally condemned to the torment of her own creation, forced to produce offspring ceaselessly in a desperate bid to construct a semblance of family.

Within this twisted family unit, a sinister hierarchy emerges. The mother, a figure both domineering and repulsed by her own progeny, presides over her tormented children. These Children of Ruin, imbued with spite and derision for their maternal figure, grow in strength and malevolence as they seek their place in the world. Yet, despite their fervent yearning for the mother's affection, she remains indifferent, her focus consumed by the promise of a new brood growing within her.

The den of a Bile Witch becomes a breeding ground of darkness, where the vile offspring leave and return only to deliver fresh victims into their mother's clutches. The Bile Witches' tragic tale serves as a haunting reminder of the harrowing consequences that can arise from the twisted desires of the heart, and the depths to which dark magic can corrupt even the most sacred of bonds.



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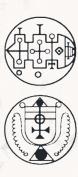
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