

Fire beetle

A fire beetle is a type of beetle found on MM 9.

Glands

The glands are worth d10 gp each, since these are valuable light sources that have no risk of starting a fire or igniting gasses in a mine or on an adventure.¹⁾ It takes 1 turn for a character to harvest all 3 glands from a single beetle.^{Ex2)}

As opponents

These things can really do quite a lot of damage for a DL 1 creature, and with HD 1+2 and AC 4 they are not one of the easier DL 1 enemies to take down. Fortunately, the light they give off makes them targetable even if the [encounter distance](#) falls out of the range of a party's light sources.

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The glands are mentioned as being valuable, but no value is given in the books.

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DM Note: This is a great special kind of treasure players can look forward to even at low levels, and is an apt reward considering the danger of these beetles.

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