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Kuva (Resource)

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Kuva is an exceedingly rare red fluid coveted by the Grineer Queens. It can be obtained in Kuva Missions, and is used to cycle Riven's or build rare blueprints.

—In-Game Description

Kuva is a special [resource](#) that can be collected with the help of [Operator](#) Void abilities from [Kuva Siphons](#), which appear on planets near the ever-moving [Kuva Fortress](#).

In addition to its use as a crafting material, Kuva is used to cycle [Riven Mods](#).

Kuva



Untradeable

Update Infobox Data

Description

A mysterious red fluid coveted by the Grineer Queens.

Obtained in Kuva missions.

General Information

Type

Resource

Sell Price

Cannot Sell

Introduced

Update 19.0 (2016-11-11)



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on planets currently being orbited by the Kuva Fortress.

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Vendors

Nightwave

 50 for x10000

Acrithis

 10 for x1

Palladino

 10 for x35000

The Steel Path Honors

 15 for x10000

Arbitration Honors

 25 for x10000

Archimedean Supplies

 5 for x35000

Official Drop Tables

<https://www.warframe.com/droptables>

Acquisition

Acquisition List

Drop Locations

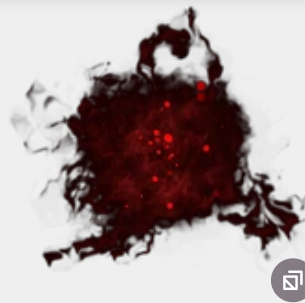
Drop Locations



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Kuva is a mysterious and exceedingly rare red liquid that was coveted by the  [Orokin](#), and was often stored within small, teardrop-shaped glass flasks. It is currently sought after by the  [Grineer](#) Queens, who send teams of their **Kuva corps** and a series of [Kuva Siphons](#) to harvest it from select locations.



A floating cloud of Kuva

Kuva is naturally found in the form of small clouds of sanguine gas, which are harvested and absorbed by Kuva Siphons. Once full, the Siphons are then taken to the Grineer's **Kuva Fortress**, where the kuva is then distilled. Before being distilled, unrefined kuva is said to appear as a sludge-like substance.

The special nature of kuva is said to be derived from the [Void](#), which gives it the unique ability to conduct and transfer consciousness.

Technology

Technology that has Kuva incorporated into it

Lore & History

Role in the Orokin Empire

The Orokin possessed Kuva long before the era of Void travel. Additionally, it played an essential role in their rituals of [Continuity](#). With it, the Orokin would essentially transfer their minds into bodies of younger hosts, achieving a small degree of immortality.

Due to how highly coveted kuva was during the Orokin Era, it was considered taboo for servants to even look at a flask, and was a severe offense punishable by glassing.

Fragments

In [Cephalon Ordis'](#) fragments, it is revealed that one of the Orokin executors, [Ballas](#), offered [Ordan Karris](#) a red vial, calling it an opportunity "*to be one of us*". This was later presumed to be a Kuva vial, wherein it was possibly used on the Beast of Bones, as an eternal punishment to become a [Cephalon](#) slave, rather than a status ascension. Karris describes the Kuva as having a "metallic taste".



While the fragments contained within them are not directly involved with the quest itself, the



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that during the last days of the Orokin an effort to locate a monstrous [Sentient](#), it but retreat and hide during the day. the local wildlife, connecting her



This proved to be a double-edged sword, however, as the Sentient discovered that Kuva could restore its ability to reproduce, increasing the intensity of its attacks even further. This necessitated [Gara](#), the lone Tenno defender of the Unum, to sacrifice her life, carrying a bomb that devastated the Sentient even as she was killed. Even to this day, long after the war, the Unum's consciousness still resides in the Plains' wildlife, allowing her to keep an eye on the [Grineer](#) troops, and she still gives her Temple Kuva for the [Ostrons](#) to use.

The War Within

Some believe Kuva to be the blood of Orokin ancestors, an elixir of immortality. Others believe Kuva to be a poison, a corrupting oil that brings madness and evil. ... I believe it is both.

—Teshin

Kuva is also involved in [The War Within quest](#), wherein the [Elder Queen](#) of the [Grineer](#) holds a Kuva Scepter, a symbol of Orokin dominion used to command their Dax soldiers, of which Teshin is one. Kuva is also used to perform [Continuity](#), the Orokin ritual of transferring the consciousness of a dying Orokin to a new body.

The exact nature of Kuva is a mystery yet to be revealed. From how Teshin describes it, it likely has properties that extend life up until Continuity is needed, and it may have also contributed to the Orokin's pride and authoritative mistreatment of their political subordinates, hence playing a role in their downfall. It also has other properties; it is mentioned by Teshin that the [Kuva Guardian's](#) weapon, [Kesheg](#), is imbued with Kuva which supposedly makes them immune to [Warframe](#) powers. This is also alluded to in the braids surrounding the Queens' throne: they are immune to all attacks except for the Operator's Void Beam, suggesting they were also made with Kuva.

Another possible property of the Kuva can be seen within the Kuva Scepter, which is used by the Elder Queen to knock the Operator out of their Warframe and preventing further Transference. This suggests that Kuva has the ability to interfere with or limit Transference to a certain extent.

Kuva Lich

Following the defeat of the Elder Queen, the Worm Queen infuses her chosen soldiers with Kuva, referred by them as the "old blood", transforming them into a Kuva Lich. These enhanced super soldiers are drastically more powerful, able to fight on equal footing with a Warframe and are seemingly rendered all but immortal.



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installed in their [Parazon](#) are used to permanently sever the Lich's [Continuity](#). or purify their Kuva and convert them



Nights of Naberus

[Grandmother's Naberus folktale](#) reveals the existence of a "**Blue Kuva**", which allows one to temporarily transport their consciousness into a second body. If one's original body is given Crimson Kuva while in the second body, and presumably if one drinks Crimson Kuva while in the second body, their consciousness will be transported permanently into the second body.

The tale also mentions that Orokin servants are denied possession of Kuva, let alone look at one flask, which is punishable by [glassing](#).

The New War

The [Narmer Veils](#) used to brainwash subjects into subservience to [Narmer](#) produce a red hallucinogen mist that is implied to be Kuva, as the [Sentients](#) targeted the [Unum](#)'s Tower to harvest it.

Angels of the Zariman

When the [Zariman Ten Zero](#) mysteriously reappeared in the Origin System, the Kuva Corps were the first to arrive. They would discover the ship's [Reliquary Drive](#) and attempt to harvest kuva from it by using a specialized Kuva Siphon, but this tampering would inadvertently awaken the [Void Angels](#).

The Worm Queen may have been successful in her attempts, with the [Kuva Trokarians](#) being a result of this. These newly-created troops use kuva-imbued [Kuva Trokars](#) to disrupts the [Transference](#) connection of the [Tenno](#) and their [Warframes](#).

Notes

- Kuva gain is affected by [Resource Boosters](#) and [Smeeta Kavat's Charm](#).
 - This does not apply to the mission rewards from Kuva Fortress Disruption, but does apply to the Kuva [Kuva's codex entry](#) dropped by Demolishers and Kuva Liches.
- During Kuva Siphon missions, Kuva clouds can be captured with the [Operator's Void](#) abilities, namely Void Beam and Void Sling.
- Kuva has its own [Codex](#) entry, requiring 3 scans, though it does not contain any meaningful information.



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- Kuva means 'to subdue', 'to suppress' in Swedish. This could be the proper origin of its name, as when Kuva was first introduced, it served to command Dax soldiers and take over the Yuvan's mind during the Continuity ritual.
- The clouds of Kuva that players track down during Kuva Siphons are actually invisible [Corrupted](#) masks with an associated Kuva particle emitter beneath them. The masks are visible via [Codex Scanners](#) or through [Investigator](#), though players cannot target them directly and harvest the clouds that way.

Gallery

Resources / Components					
Star Chart	Empyrean	Plains of Eidolon	Orb Vallis	Cambion Drift	Duviri
Common		Alloy Plate	Entrati Obols	Ferrite	Nano Spores
Uncommon	Carbides	Circuits	Cryotic	Cubic Diodes	Hexenon
	Oxium	Plastids	Polymer Bundle	Rubedo	Stela
Rare		Argon Crystal	Control Module	Gallium	Morphics
		Neurodes	Orokin Cell	Tellurium	Entrati Lanthorn
Research	Antiserum Injector Fragment	Detonite Ampule	Detonite Inje		
	Fieldron Sample	Fieldron	Mutagen Sample	Mutagen Mass	Synthula
Navigation	Animo Nav Beacon	Cryptographic ALU	Judgement Points	Nav	
	Omega Isotope	Granum Crown	Exemplar Granum Crown	Zenith	
Special	Aya	Ayatan Amber Star	Ayatan Cyan Star	Endo	Intact Se
	Javlok Capacitor	Kavat Genetic Code	Lua Thrax Plasm	Nitain	
	Orokin Cipher	Kuva	Riven Sliver	Somatic Fibers	Steel E
	Synthetic Eidolon Shard	Vitus Essence	Void Traces	Vosfor	

References

1. Chance to roll item within drop table
2. Amount rewarded on successful roll
3. (Quantity × Chance)
4. Chance to roll drop table
5. Chance to roll item within drop table
6. (Drop Table Chance × Item Chance)



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