

Cloud Ladder



Alteration

Level: 1

Range: 0

Components: V, S, M

Casting Time: 1 rd.

Duration: 1-4 rds. + 1 rd./level

Area of Effect: 10-ft. length/level

Saving Throw: None

Using this spell, the wu jen can mold and shape ordinary smoke into a misty ladder. The smoke must come from a fire of green wood. Reaching into the smoke, the wu jen casts the spell while shaping the ladder. Up to 10 feet of cloud ladder can be shaped per level of the caster.

The ladder weighs virtually nothing and one person can easily handle a cloud ladder of any length. Furthermore, the ladder is always steady and rigid, it need not be supported or leaned against an object. The wu jen simply places it in the desired position and climbs.

The ladder can be used only by the wu jen and one other creature per level of experience of the caster as designated by the wu jen. The ladder remains in place until the duration of the spell expires or until the wu jen wills it to vanish.

Before the end of the spell 's duration, the wu jen has the option to cast an additional cloud ladder spell on a ladder previously created, maintaining its form for an additional duration.

The material component for the spell is a large fire of green wood.

Notes: Common in oriental settings; otherwise very rare.