

Worshippers of Death

An Exploration of the Cultic Presence of
the Lord of the Underworld



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Plouton



- Fully Clothed
- Overflowing Cornucopia
- Sceptre
- Standing
- Pictured with Kore

Plouton. Red-figure Amphora.
Paris (Louvre G 209)
LIMC s.v. Hades 20

Hades



- Bare-chested
- Seated
- No agrarian attributes
- Appears with Persephone

Hades. Red-figure Kylix
London (BM E 82)
LIMC s.v. Hades 44

Nekuomanteia and a case for 'reversed altars'



Odysseus and Tiresias. South Italian
Red-figure bowl, late 5th c. BCE.
Bibliothèque Nationale, Paris.



"IT IS HERE THAT YOU'LL NEED
TO MAKE YOUR SACRIFICES TO
THE SHADES OF THE DEAD..."



"MIX MILK AND
HONEY, AND
MELLOW WINE..."



"...AND BLOOD."



"THESE SACRIFICES WILL DRAW THE DEAD TO
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