

# Lake scarab of Amenophis III

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Transliteration and translation for the "lake" scarab of Amenophis III, series E, following E 2 (plate 30) of Blankenberg-Van Delden (1969). Where the photograph is unclear, I rely on the transcription of De Buck (1948), p. 67.

For published translations, see Blankenberg-Van Delden (1969), p. 18; Breasted (1906), pp. 348-349, §§ 868-869; Davies (1992), number 579A (p. 36); Helck (1961), number 579A (p. 234).

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<sup>1</sup>  
| npt-sp 11 3bd 3 3ht sw 1

hr (hm n)

<sup>1</sup>  
| Year 11, third month of the Season of Inundation, day 1, under (the majesty of)

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<sup>2</sup>  
| Hr K3-nht Hcj-m-m3ct

<sup>2</sup>  
| Horus: Mighty bull appearing in truth;

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<sup>3</sup>  
nbtj S|mn-hpw sgrh-t3wj

Two Ladies: Who establishes laws, who pacifies the Two Lands;

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Hr-nbw 3-hpš <sup>4</sup> | hwj-Sttjw

Gold Horus: Great of strength, <sup>4</sup> | who smites the Asiatics;

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nsw-bjtj Nb-m3ct-Rc <sup>5</sup> s3-Rc | Jmn-htp hq3-W3st

The king of Upper and Lower Egypt: Nebmaatre; Son of Re: <sup>5</sup> | Amenophis, ruler of Thebes,

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dj 3nh hmt-nsw wrt Tjy 3nh|tj <sup>6</sup>

given life, and the great king's wife Tiy (may she live!).

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w3 hm=f jrt mr n hmt-nsw wrt <sup>7</sup> | Tjy

His Majesty ordered the creation of a lake for the great wife of the king, <sup>7</sup> | Tiy

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3nh.tj m dmj=s n D3rw|h3 <sup>8</sup>

(may she live!), in her town of Djarulkha, <sup>8</sup>

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3w=f mh 3700 wsh=f mh | 600 <sup>9</sup>

its length being 3700 cubits and its width 600 cubits.

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jr.n hm=f hb wb3 šw

His Majesty celebrated the feast of the opening of the lakes

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<sup>10</sup>  
| m 3bd 3 3ht sw 16

<sup>10</sup>  
| in the third month of the Season of Inundation, day 16,

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hn.tw hm=f

<sup>11</sup> | m wj<sup>3</sup> Jtn | <sup>12</sup> ṭhn m-hnw=f

when His Majesty was rowed <sup>11</sup> | on it in the barque 'Aton gleams'.

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