

Dragon

Myths & Legends



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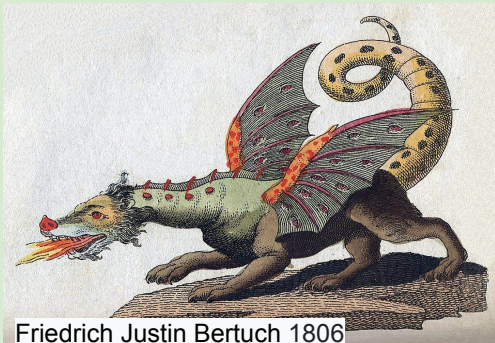
Icon of St-Geroge. 15th century, Novgorod



Dragon roof feature in the Imperial City, Hué, Vietnam

East and West

Dragons in Western cultures since the High Middle Ages have often been depicted as malevolent, winged, horned, and capable of breathing fire. Dragons in eastern cultures are usually benevolent, highly intelligent, depicted as wingless, four-legged, serpentine creatures, and associated with good fortune.



Friedrich Justin Bertuch 1806



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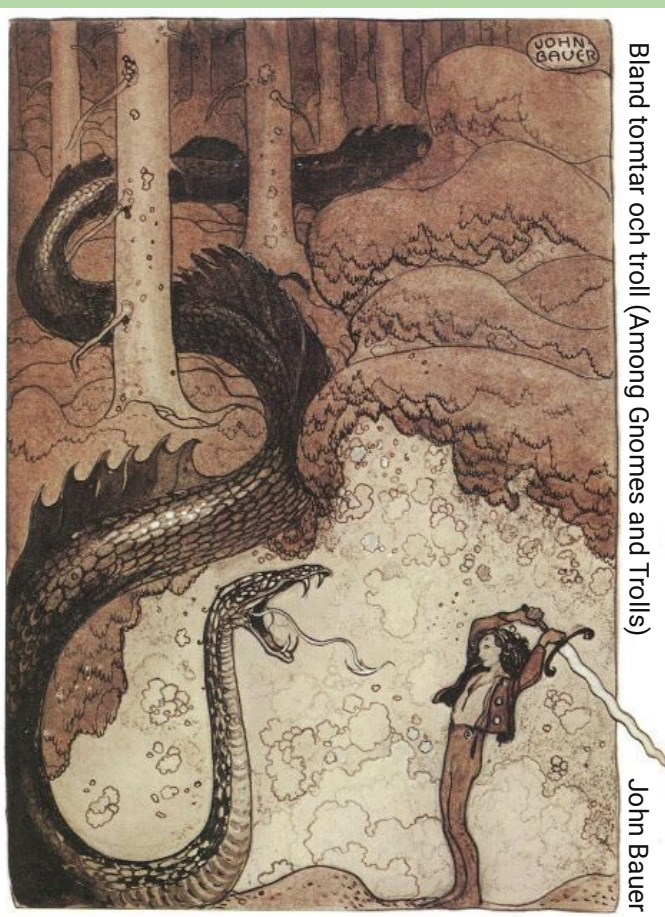


A Japanese New Year's postcard for 1940,





R. Leinweber



Bland tomtar och troll (Among Gnomes and Trolls)

John Bauer



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Folklore



CHURCHMAN'S CIGARETTES

THE LAMBTON WORM

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Seven-headed dragon of the apocalypse, Italy, 15th century

Symbolism



In the ancient *Welsh* story of Ludd and Llefelys the red dragon symbolises the Celtic Britons and the white dragon the invading Anglo Saxons.