WHAT IS MANDRAX?
Mandrax is a highly-addictive drug, available as a small tablet, varying in colour. Originally white, with the letters Mx appearing on the side, it is now crumbly-textured or freckled and yellow or grey in colour. It is usually smoked, being crushed and mixed with dagga and smoked in a pipe or broken bottle-neck (white pipe) or swallowed whole, or injected.

SYMPTOMS OF MANDRAX USE!
The symptoms experienced after using Mandrax can last for several hours. There are a variety of symptoms the user can suffer from:
- Stomach pains
- Weight loss
- Headaches
- A decrease in concentration
- Restlessness & slurred speech
- Staggering
- A hangover after sleeping
- Puffy, red eyes
- A dry mouth

TOLERANCE AND ADDICTION
A person who uses Mandrax for a while will find it necessary to use more and more, because the body has developed such a tolerance to the drug that it requires more and more of the drug to reach the same effect as initially.

Mandrax is psychologically addictive, meaning that the user will crave for it so much that his/her whole life will revolve around getting more of it.

Stealing and lying will be the order of the day. If young, school/college will be bunked. If older, work will be neglected in various ways, and eventually the person will absent him/herself from it, which may very well result in him/her losing their job.

Mandrax is also physically addictive, meaning that if a person stops using it, withdrawal symptoms occur.

Withdrawal can last a few days, and can start a few days after the user stops using the drug.

WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS?
A few are:
- Nausea & vomiting
- Falling over and passing out
- Aggression
- Sleepiness
- Confusion

Long-term Effects include:
- Risk of addiction
- Convulsions
- Laboured breathing leading to respiratory failure, coma or even death
THE HAZARDS OF MANDRAX!

The person using Mandrax is caught in a no-go situation. To stop using the drug becomes nearly impossible!

Withdrawal symptoms lead the user to wanting more of the drug; leading to financial, family, work problems; resulting, in turn to the person using more of the drug to escape from his/her problems.

Hopelessness, helplessness and depression only worsen the problem. The user is faced with a no-win situation, unless there is a stop put to using the drug!

*Is it worth the gamble?*

*Choose your destiny.*
*Don’t self-destruct!*

**BE SMART**
**DON’T START!**

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**THE CURSE**
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