



Barkley L. Hendricks

*Noir*, 1978

Oil and acrylic on canvas

72 x 48 in.

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Title: What it is!

**Black**

As Night.

As Coal.

As the Ace of Spades.

**Black**

Power.

**Black Girl.**

**Black Beans.**

**Blackout.**

**Black Bird.**

**Blackjack.**

**Black board.** Little**BlackDress.**

**Black Eyed peas.**

**Black Diamond.**

Blue **Black.**

**Black Velvet.**

**Blackeyed Susans**

**Black Lace.**

**Black Boy.**

Ink **Black.**

**Blackout.**

**Blackface.**

Warm **Black**.  
Cool **Black**.  
    **Black** Ice.  
    **Black** Cat.  
    **Black** Box.  
    **Black** Leather.  
    **Black** Panther.  
    **Black** Magic

**Black** is:  
    Perfection.  
Avant-Garde.  
    Haunting.  
    Soothing.  
    Sensuous  
Quiet.  
    Confrontational.  
Minimal.  
Poetic.  
    Glamorous.  
    Severe.  
Dangerous.  
    Elegant.  
    Rebellious.  
    Mysterious.  
    Artistic.

We  
    be in  
    The  
    **Black**

-Ce Scott-Fitts, 2021