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n.

The ability to attract others through personal magnetism and charm.

[Spanish dialectal, charm, from Spanish, ghost, from Old Spanish, owner, proprietor, from *duen de (casa)*, lord of (a house) : *duen*, lord (from Latin *dominus*; see **dem-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#)) + *de*, of (from Latin *dē*; see [DE-](#)).]

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