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HOW TO USE THE NORSE ORACLE

This deck is a guide. This deck is a tool. This deck is also an extension of you, because what these cards genuinely are, in their highest form, are conduits—channels—for forgotten wisdom to be remembered. Through this deck, the ancients speak again.

You'll notice this oracle is separated into three parts: runes, deities and sigils. These parts can be used alone or together, depending on how you are called to interact with them. Three card spreads can be employed utilizing each aspect on its own. Pull a single card from each pile for a reading reminiscent of the Norn spread you'll find on the following pages. You may also draw a single card from each stack for daily guidance.

Three spread suggestions have been provided: a beginner, intermediate and advanced card draw. As you progress along your own personal journey, you can create your own card spreads, laid out in formation and crafted with specific questions or general inquiries you have for the universe, the gods and these ancient symbols, to best guide you throughout the ebbs and flows of your own, unique Wyrd.

Weave the web of your life well. Craft your own language of legacy and remembrance as you summon power, mystery and wisdom within each of these 62 cards.











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TIWAZ: JUSTICE, SACRIFICE, COURAGE, MARS, TUESDAY

Sky god, wielder of justice and self-sacrifice. Tiwaz becomes our ally when conflicts need resolving, when bravery is required and right action reigns supreme. The rune Tiwaz resembles a spear and carries with it the energy of force, will and commitment. When the god Tyr made the false oath to Fenrir that bound the wolf in the process, he knew full well that the price of this betrayal would be his sword arm. But he did it for the greater good and to save the lives of his people. This sacrifice transformed Tiwaz into a symbol of male potency and action. This connects Tiwaz to the Roman god of war, Mars. Tiwaz resembles the symbol for the red planet and Irminsul, the tree of Mars, which is also considered the axis, or column, of the universe. By channeling our inner resolve, drawing from the core of our being and directing the power of our truth and conviction toward our target, we summon the power of Tiwaz.









BERKANO: BIRTH, NEW BEGINNINGS, BIRCH TREE, FRIGG

To begin again. To start anew. The birch tree was the first to begin growing again after the Ice Age, and the resilience and resurrection of Berkano can help us find the resolve and strength to do the same. A rune of birth, new life, new beginnings, a fresh start with a clean slate. Berkano rises after the might of Isa has captivated and confined the progress of life, but they work in tandem this way. This eighteenth rune is the burst of life after the cocoon of ice. It's the emergence of light, signifying the start of a new cycle, a new day. It's a new chapter, resulting from hanging in stasis, an initiation through a frozen limbo. A new form takes place. Now, the transformation is complete, and a new story begs to be written. We hold Berkano as we form those first words. Grasp the beginning of this new vision and keep it within our hearts and hands. This rune is also intimately linked to the goddess Frigg. Just as Frigg reigns sovereign, the provider of the thread from which the Norns weave our fate, Berkano reminds us that we, too, are sovereign. We are here, shining brightly amongst the wilds. We have purpose. We belong.











When we engage with Ehwaz, we shapeshift. We become the vehicle and the rider, embodying the symbiotic relationship between the two. Humanity and the wild become one. We gallop between the nine realms, just as the eight-legged horse, Sleipnir, did. In this union, we gain momentum and the ability to see things differently through the speed and rhythm of the road less traveled. This rune speaks of freedom through cooperation, discovery through travel and even magic. It was said that seeresses would take the forms of horses to travel through the night, roaming freely, unencumbered and surrounded by the sanctity and safety of darkness. A sacred partnership is formed when working with Ehwaz, a balance created by two beings coming together to form a majestic vehicle of energy and purpose, greater than the whole, stronger than we could ever be alone.









MANNAZ: MAN, HUMANITY, ANCESTRAL MEMORY, COMMUNITY, POTENTIAL

To be human is to exist physically in the here and now and in the memories of all who have come before us. We carry the stories of our ancestors, both physical and spiritual, and these memories play out in our waking lives in ways we must learn to decode and decipher. By revisiting past myths, we can construct our own because at the core of Mannaz lies community and the thread tying humanity together; we need each other. Not only for survival but for emotional and spiritual nourishment. For support. For breaking bread and celebrating rites of passage. For seeing the firelight of the ancients dance behind the blacks of our eyes, hearth fires roaring in recognition, beckoning us back to our spiritual homes. Because in this remembrance, we feel the weight and breadth of those who came before us. We feel a new energy, a sense of wholeness not found while going through this life alone. Mannaz connects us all, healing us, one by one, together.











LAGUZ: WATER, FLOW, RECEPTIVITY

Water flows easily and intuitively. It conforms to rocks, smoothing them in its passage. It takes the path of least resistance, remaining flexible in its travels. Water is life, and water is us. It is the well-spring of wisdom, nourishing and regeneration. It is the bridge to our higher selves, connecting us to those shimmering currents of Wyrd that lie within us all. To call upon Laguz is to call upon the natural serenity within the emotional tides of our hearts, helping us remember who we were before the waves came crashing down around us. This twenty-first rune forms a bridge of peace between our murkiest depths and our clearest wading pools. It cleanses us, while aiding us to reconcile and understand the storm within us all. It gives us the power to temper the internal chaos, to draw upon our greatest strength—our intuition—to see a gentler path forward and navigate toward it.





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