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ABITHA'S APOTHECARY

MOON MAGIC

The Moon is the astronomical body closest to us and, therefore, has a profound influence upon us, it is very important to choose a time when the Moon is in an astrological sign which is appropriate for your working.

For example:

Aries/Action - Enthusiasm

Taurus/ Renewal - Sensuality

Gemini/Communication - Curiosity

Cancer/Emotion - Nurturing

Leo/Vitality - Determined

Virgo/Organizing - Studious

Libra/Balance - Cooperation

Scorpio/Sexual - Philosophical

Capricorn/Authority - Ambitious

Aquarius/Innovation -Social

Pisces/Sensitivity - Idealistic.

Bear in mind that magickal workings for gain, increase or bringing things to you, should be initiated when the Moon is Waxing (from Dark to Full); when the Moon is Waning (from Full to Dark), it is time for magickal workings of decrease or sending away.

The highest energy occurs at the Full Moon and, therefore, this is the most powerful time for magickal workings. The New Moon is the next most powerful time for Magick.

Whenever possible, follow Nature's natural Energy Currents.

There is a natural time for starting things (a planting time), for maturing things (a growing time), for reaping things (a harvest time) and, of course, a time for rest and planning.

Flowing with these currents will make your magickal work much easier.

Astrological Moon Phases:

Moon in Aries is the best time to work magick involving leadership, authority, rebirth, spiritual conversion, or willpower. Healing rituals for ailments of the face, head, or brain are also done during this period of time.

Moon in Taurus is the best time to work magick for love, real estate, material acquisitions, and money. Healing rituals for ailments of the throat, neck, and ears are also done during this period of time.

Moon in Gemini is the best time to work magick for good communication, change of residence, writing, public relations, and

travel. Healing rituals for ailments of the shoulders, arms, hands, or lungs are also done during this period of time.

Moon in Cancer is the best time to work magick for home and domestic life. Healing rituals for ailments of the chest or stomach are also done during this period of time.

Moon in Leo is the best time to work magick involving authority, power over others, courage, fertility, or childbirth. Healing rituals for ailments of the upper back, spine, or heart are also done during this period of time.

Moon in Virgo is the best time to work magick involving employment, intellectual matters, health, and dietary concerns. Healing rituals for ailments of the intestines or nervous system are also done during this period of time.

Moon in Libra is the best time to work magick involving artistic work, justice, court cases, partnerships and unions, mental stimulation, and karmic, spiritual, or emotional balance. Healing rituals for ailments of the lower back or kidneys are also done during this period of time.

Moon in Scorpio is the best time to work magick involving sexual matters, power, psychic growth, secrets, and fundamental transformations. Healing rituals for ailments of the reproductive organs are also done during this period of time.

Moon in Sagittarius is the best time to work magick for publications, legal matters, travel, and truth. Healing rituals for ailments of the liver, thighs, or hips are also done at this time.

Moon in Capricorn is the best time to work magick for organization, ambition, recognition, career, and political matters. Healing rituals for the knees, bones, teeth, and skin are also done at this time.

Moon in Aquarius is the best time to work magick involving science, freedom, creative expression, problem-solving, extrasensory abilities, friendship, and the breaking of bad habits or unhealthy addictions. Healing rituals for ailments of the calves, ankles, or blood are also done at this time.

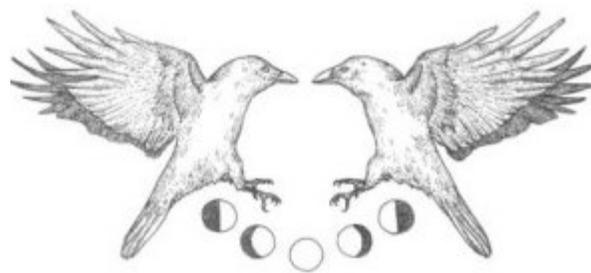
Moon in Pisces is the best time to work magick involving dreamwork, clairvoyance, telepathy, music, and the creative arts. Healing rituals for ailments of the feet or lymph glands are also done at this time.

A Safe Travel Chant

Softly chant this spell over your vehicle before going on a trip:

"Lady of light be my guide, where I am, stand by my side.
Keep me safe by your will and might keep me always in your site."

You can chant this as many times as you feel needed.



Moon Cycle

June 2nd Full Moon

June 9th Last Quarter

June 16th New Moon

June 24th First Quarter

Classes and Events



June

2nd/7:30p~ Psychic Shielding and Defense

10th/7:30~ Kitchen Witchery

13th/10-7~ Pride Day Psychic Fair
Readings \$1 per minute

20th/7:30~ Litha Circle (free)

July

9th/7:30~ Mirror Magic

18th/11a-11p~

Summerfest Beach Party Psychic Fair

29th/7:30~ Altar Class

August

1st/7:30~

Lughnasadh Circle (free)

15th/12-7 Psychic Fair

18th/7:30~Hindu Pantheon I

25th/7:30~Hindu Pantheon II

10 Things You Should Know About Wicca ~ # 1 ~Skyclad Practice



Perhaps one of the most controversial practices of Wicca is skyclad worship. For those who don't know, skyclad means "complete nudity." Many people might find the idea of naked worship strange, but it is not a particularly new religious practice and dates back at least as far as the Roman Empire. Neither has it been confined to pagans—there have been branches of Christianity as far back as the Middle Ages that observed such practices.

More important is the misunderstanding most people have of naked worship. Those who practice it in a religious manner are not doing so as a form of sexual deviancy, but rather to bring themselves closer to their gods. Skyclad worship often features in Wiccan rituals because Wicca is a fertility religion. It is fairly rare for actual sexual acts to be performed as part of a public ritual; instead the union of the athame and the chalice are used symbolically. It is also important to know that many Wiccans do not practice skyclad, and those who do are generally very respectful of others who are not comfortable with the practice.