



December Newsletter

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Important December Dates

(All times are CST)

December 2, 6:22 pm - New Moon

New Moon Abundance Check

- (1) Within 24 hours after the New Moon, take a check from your check book. Make sure that you do not write it during a Moon Void of Course (V/C). Where it says "Pay to," write your name.
- (2) In the little box on the same line where you would fill in a dollar amount "Paid in Full."
- (3) On the line underneath your name, where you would write out a dollar amount write "Paid in Full."
- (4) Sign the check: "The Law of Abundance" Do not put a date on the check or write a specific dollar amount on the check. Put it in a safe place and forget about it. The universe will take it from there.

Many people are skeptical about trying this until they do it. After the first one they realize the power of these checks and do them routinely every month. Try it yourself and see!

The abundance does not always come as money, it may be a gift from someone. The trick is to be aware of when the Moon is Void of Course. Some months will be better than others. Just watch the next 30 to 60 days and have fun with it.

December 17, 3:28 am - Full Moon

Long Nights Moon

Just as the Sun and Moon were honored at the time of the Strong Sun Moon for the strength of light, so once again we honor them during the month when nights dominate. We have less sunlight now than any other time. To celebrate the light, gather as many candles as you possibly can and arrange them in a circle. Use white or silver if you have them, as well as gold. Decorate your altar with celestial symbols and shapes; suns, moons and stars.

*Sister Moon, tempered light,
Bringing Sun into the night.
Darkness long, darkness deep
Moonlight strong, vigil keep.
Light of start, light of life
Cut the dark like a knife.
Sister Moon, tempered light,
Bringing Sun into the night.*

~ Ember Grant in [Llewellyn's 2013 Witches' Datebook](#)

December 21 - Yule/Winter Solstice

Yule

Animals/Mythical Creatures – Yule goat (Nordic), reindeer stag, squirrels, Yule cat, Sacred White Buffalo, Kallikantzaroi-ugly chaos monsters (Greek), trolls, phoenix, Yule elf, yule gnome, squirrels, wren/robin

Gemstones – cat's eye, ruby, diamond, garnet, bloodstone

Incense/Oils – bayberry, cedar, ginger, cinnamon, pine, rosemary, frankincense, myrrh, nutmeg, wintergreen, saffron

Colors/Candles – gold, silver, red, green, white

Tools/Symbols/Decorations – bayberry candles, evergreens, holly, mistletoe, poinsettia, lights, gifts, Yule log, Yule tree. spinning wheels, wreaths, bells, mother & child images

Goddesses – Great Mother, Befana (Strega), Holda (Teutonic), Isis (Egyptian), Triple Goddess, Mary (Christian), Tonazín (Mexican), Lucina (Roman), St. Lucy (Swedish), Bona Dea (Roman), Mother Earth, Eve (Hebrew), Ops (Roman Holy Mother), the Snow Queen, Hertha (German), Frey (Norse)

Gods – Sun Child, Saturn (Roman), Cronos (Greek), Horus/Ra (Egyptian), Jesus (Christian-Gnostic), Mithras (Persian), Balder (Norse), Santa Claus/Odin (Teutonic), Holly King, Sol Invicta, Janus (God of Beginnings), Marduk (Babylonian) Old Man Winter

Essence – honor, rebirth, transformation, light out of darkness, creative inspiration, the mysteries, new life, regeneration, inner renewal, reflection/introspection

Dynamics/Meaning – death of the Holly (winter) King; reign of the Oak (summer) King, begin the ordeal of the Green Man, death & rebirth of the Sun God; night of greatest lunar imbalance; sun's rebirth; shortest day of year

Purpose – honor the Triple Goddess, welcome the Sun Child

Rituals/Magick – personal renewal, world peace, honoring family & friends, Festival of light, meditation

Customs – lights, gift-exchanging, singing, feasting, resolutions, new fires kindled, strengthening family & friend bonds, generosity, Yule log, hanging mistletoe, apple wassailing, burning candles, Yule tree decorating; kissing under mistletoe; needfire at dawn vigil; bell ringing/sleigh-bells; father Yule

Foods – nuts, apple, pear, caraway cakes soaked with cider, pork, orange, hibiscus or ginger tea, roasted turkey, nuts, fruitcake, dried fruit, cookies, eggnog, mulled wine

Herbs – blessed thistle, evergreen, moss, oak, sage, bay, bayberry, cedar, pine, frankincense, ginger, holly, ivy, juniper, mistletoe, myrrh, pinecones, rosemary, chamomile, cinnamon, valerian, yarrow

Element/Gender – earth/male

Threshold – dawn

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December 24 & 25 - Christmas Eve/Christmas Day

If you're planning on putting up a Yule tree this year, give it a unique Pagan look with some of these ideas for decorations.

- 1) Crystals - just wrap some thin floral wire around them and hang them on the tree. The lights will bounce off of them and they'll look gorgeous.
- 2) Snowflakes - what commemorates the winter season more? Either buy some snowflake shaped ornaments, or cut out your own out of paper.
- 3) Dried fruit - give your tree a woodsy, natural look with dried fruit. Hang slices of dried citrus- oranges, tangerines, grapefruit and lemons. Hang them in front of a light, they are translucent and the light shines through. They look like little slices of the sun. Dried apples are also great for the season, especially if you can cut a slice sideways showing off the pentacle imbedded within.
- 4) Cranberries - just string cranberries to create a beautiful, vibrant red garland to drape over those lush, green branches. Or, make a hole in them and stick an ornament hanger in it and hang larger ones individually.
- 5) Cinnamon sticks - either stick an ornament hanger inside of the small tube, or string them on a long length of twine. They not only look great, but will make your room smell fantastic.

6) Pomanders - create pomanders by pushing cloves into small fruits, such as lemons, tangerines or apples, and roll them in seasonings until they dry. Put a wire through them with a ribbon around the top and you've got a beautiful, scented ornament.

7) Stars and Suns - make them out of clay and a cookie cutter or template, or cut them out of heavy cardstock and paint glitter on them.

8) Animals - purchase some small toy or decorative animals, glue some ribbon on them or hook an ornament into them, and display some furry woodland creatures on the tree.

9) Birds - likewise, get some small bird statues. Glue some ribbon to the bottom of them and tie them on a branch as though they are sitting on it.

10) Pine Cones and Acorns - hang them as natural as you found them, or paint them to make them sparkle and shine.

11) Punched Tin Moons - reserve your aluminum cans. Cut them into shapes with tin snips. Put them on some scrap wood and poke holes in them with a hammer and a nail to create crescent shapes, or make a pentacle design on them. Spray paint them silver first if you want them to shine.

12) Herbal sachets - cut a circle of lace, and fill it with seasonal potpourri or your favorite seasonal herbs. Gather it, tie it with a ribbon and hang it on the branches.

December 31 - New Year's Eve

Instead of making common New Year's resolutions like losing weight or trying to stop smoking, why not try making socially conscious resolutions? Some examples might be: volunteer for more worthy organizations, recycle more, shop at local businesses, buy more food that comes from local sources, research green energy sources, vote more. If you put your mind to it, you can probably think of many more things you can do to help Mother Earth and our society.

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Cedar Smudge Stick 7" - Regular Price - \$7.99, Sale Price - \$5.99
Pendulum Divination eBook - Regular Price - \$4.99, Sale Price - \$3.99
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Herb of the Month

Myrrh - Water/Sun, Gender - Masculine, Parts Used - Resin, Magickal Properties - Used extensively in magickal scents, High Psychic Vibrations, Spirituality, Purification and Protection, Uses - Burn the herb and walk through the area you wish to cleanse, useful in meditation, burn to purify and protect whatever your wish, pass objects through the smoke to cleanse of negative energy, burn during healing wishes, mixed with other magickal herbs, a standard in magick enhancement.

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Stone of the Month

Fluorite - Fluorite is a highly protective and stabilizing stone, useful for grounding and harmonizing spiritual energy. When working with the upper Chakras, Fluorite increases intuitive abilities, links the human mind to universal consciousness, and develops connection to Spirit. Fluorite further anchors intuitive insights into the physical plane, allowing mental and physical coordination. A popular stone among energy healers, Fluorite can also clear the aura of mucky energies.

Fluorite heightens mental abilities, assisting in rapid organization and processing of information and can bring mental clarity and stability to an otherwise chaotic situation. Fluorite absorbs negative energies from the environment and is effective at Auric and Chakra cleansing. Fluorite can also shield the user from psychic manipulation. Due to its powerful ability to absorb negative energies, Fluorite should be cleared often.

Physically, Fluorite is known to strengthen bones and teeth, and ameliorate the pain associated with arthritis. Fluorite is also used to enhance mental functions by balancing the chemistry in the brain.

Rune of the Month

 **Dagaz** (D: Day or dawn.) – Breakthrough, awakening, awareness. Daylight clarity as opposed to nighttime uncertainty. A time to plan or embark upon an enterprise. The power of change directed by your own will, transformation. Hope/happiness, the ideal. Security and certainty. Growth and release. Balance point, the place where opposites meet. Dagaz Merkstave (Dagaz cannot be reversed, but may lie in opposition): A completion, ending, limit, coming full circle. Blindness, hopelessness.

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Tarot Card of the Month

The Page of Wands - The Page of Wands is a well-dressed young man who stands alone in the midst of a barren wilderness, talking out loud of his dreams and desires. This scene indicates that much of the Page's creative energy is still very much only a potential or, at best, only an idea. He holds his staff upwards and looks to it with confidence. His shirt is covered with the design of salamanders, a mythical creature that is associated with fire and transformation.

The Page of Wands is similar to the Fool in that he is a free spirit who represents change and new beginnings. He has a true passion for life, despite his understanding of this world which is not yet fully developed. He has not yet been weighed down by the burdens of the material world, coming and going as he pleases, and usually encouraging change wherever he goes. He is like the catalyst that inspires changes that might be impossible in any other situation.

The appearance of the Page of Wands indicates that you are experiencing a creative restlessness within you that is just waiting for some sort of expression or you may be on the verge of some sort of discovery or new phase of life. The Page of Wands represents the creative spark that comes to you suddenly and unexpectedly, and leads you to a new creative vision. Thus, he encourages you to express yourself and your individuality with light-hearted abandon. Listen to your unconscious mind and follow your creative urges, even if you are worried about being the lonely voice crying out in the wilderness. With persistence and a balanced perspective even the immature desires of the Page of Wands can be transformed into a beautiful creative vision that can change the world.

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Correspondence of the Month

Seasons

Summer – love, marriage, friendship, beauty, courage, fire magick, strength, protection, magickal and physical energy

Spring – healing, air magick, ecological rituals, fertility, finances

Autumn – money, employment, water magick

Winter – Earth magick, introspection, meditation, magickal exercises, banishing, seeking past lives

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Spell of the Month

Yule Log

Materials:

A log (Oak is traditional)

Natural materials such as pine cones, sprays of evergreen, berries, etc.

Some herbs such as cinnamon sticks

Twine (to tie it all on)

Tie everything to the log in a way that looks pleasing. Traditionally, a Yule log is burned and a piece of the log saved for kindling the next year's log. This is thought to bring health and prosperity to the household for the entire year.

If you don't have a fireplace, or for whatever reason don't want to burn your Yule log, you can put candles on it (either tea lights or votives) and make a centerpiece.

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