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# Animal-Speak Runes



## Synopsis

Ted Andrews' Animal-speak Runes is a book and rune divination kit. This kit contains 40 animal runes, inscribed on pine wood - along with the animal's name and meaning. The book describes how to use the runes for insight, divination and answers to everyday situations and questions. Boxed set includes 40 wooden rune-like charms, 128 page guide book and a carrying bag for the runes.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This is perhaps my favorite of any divination tool Ted Andrews has produced. It contains 40 "animal runes" in a faux silk bag and accompanying book. Of all his work that has been produced in China, this has the best quality I've seen to date. The messages are clear and precise. To this point, they have been right on the money. His book descriptions are not merely copy and paste from his Animal Speak book, which is a great accompaniment to these runes and adds depth to the included book. Ted states in the beginning of the accompanying book that these are not traditional runes, so if anyone wants to argue that they are not, that is all well and good. They serve the purpose they were intended for. I've never used runes of any kind, so I can't make a judgment one way or the other if they are truly "runes." I'm just happy to use them for what I'm seeking. On October 24, 2009 Ted left this world. I had an opportunity to see him teach and meet with him when he was back home here in Dayton a couple of years ago. He was a great teacher and had a zest for life that I have rarely encountered in my time here. He certainly was one of a kind and his legacy will live on through his work.

Animal-Speak Runes is an oracle system based on animal archetypes by Ted Andrews. Instead the classic Nordic Runes on wooden tiles, these show inked figures of animals with names and key words. However, this departure from the standard oracle card systems makes these runes very fascinating. The runes in this oracle are small (0.75"x1.25") with rounded corners. I'm actually surprised of their good quality! Each wooden tile contains an inked animal figure set in the middle with its name at the bottom and a key word at the top. This arrangement reminds me of oracle and tarot cards. Of course, unlike cards, these can be easily held in your hands and hidden inside your fist. This system includes 40 wooden tiles, divided into 34 animals and 6 specialty tiles. The six specialty tiles refer to actions that animals undertake: camouflage, hibernation, hunting, mating, metamorphosis, and migration. The 34 animals include 12 mammals (bear, coyote, deer, dolphin, fox, horse, jaguar, manatee, rabbit, rat, skunk, and wolf), 10 birds (blue jay, crane, eagle, hawk, hummingbird, owl, raven, swan, vulture, and woodpecker), 6 reptiles (chameleon, crocodile, frog, gecko, snake, and turtle), and 6 bugs (bee, butterfly, cicada, dragonfly, praying mantis, and spider). This kit includes a red bag and a pocket sized guidebook. The bag is imitation silk, according to a very generous description in the guidebook. It has two pull-strings to close it shut, and strong stitching. It does not have an inner liner, but is still adequate to carry and mix your animal tiles. The guidebook is an essential addition to this kit. Although the tiles are well labeled, I welcome the information in this pocket book. This is how the guidebook is organized: Chapter 1 Animal-Speak Runes Chapter 2 Quick Start Chapter 3 Specialty Runes Chapter 4 Animal Runes Chapter 5 Special Rune Readings Chapter 1 explains the concept of animals as messengers from nature, while chapter 2 shows a quick way to start using the runes. Chapter 3 and 4 flesh out each rune standard and reverse meaning. Finally, chapter 5 shows a few layouts for divination and meditation: Daily Oracle (1 rune layout), Three Rune Prophecy, The Yearly Forecast (13 runes layout), and Your Spiritual Journey (10 runes layout). I own three gorgeous animal themed Tarots, and two other rune/tile based oracles besides this one. However, if I were considering buying just one for among these six for divination and meditation, this one would be in a tie with my best animal themed Tarot. This is an easy-to-pick-up oracle system for anyone, but I highly recommend this oracle for practitioners of shamanism. And no collector of oracle system should let this one pass.

These are fun, accurate and easy to understand. If you like animals and divination these are for you! I am so glad to have these. Ted Andrews was a very informative and intuitive individual and anything by him is worth reading and using. If you enjoy runes in a softer way then buy these. There

is only one issue with these runes...eventually the picture side starts to wear off...I have had them for 8 months and the pictures are wearing thin..

These are awesome Animal Runes. I cleared them first with sage and studied each rune individually. They have a great feel to them now and really right on in giving me a daily reading! Love these!!!

These are a great tool for answering any questions one may have on any subject. The pictures on the runes themselves though start to fade after only using them a few times. I had to lacquer the pictures with clear nail varnish which did the trick. Also, the red bag is too small for the book to fit in to be portable so I had to buy a large tarot card bag online in which to carry the runes and the book. I'm hoping the publisher will make some changes after reading this. This is my second set after gifting the first one to colleagues at work. They were all amazed at how accurate the messages were and still are. It's the gift that keeps on giving.

I'm really happy with these runes. I like them a lot better than the animal medicine cards I have. I also enjoy the book that comes with it and it seems to have new (to me) information I haven't read in other Ted Andrews books. I took off a star b/c several of my runes have a bit of something stuck in the painted part, and the images scratch off rather easily. It's true what others say about reference to the "imitation silk bag". I thought I'd get around that by sewing my own bag, and later read that the bag should be real silk. Oh well.

I am very happy with these runes. At first I had to bond my energy with them, after that, they have been wonderful. The guidance, and insight, and advice I need at the time, are given. I just wish they had more animals- real and mythical. They show a chinese dragon on the book cover, and I thought maybe they had a rune and meaning for it, but they did not. : / I am still very happy though with my purchase. :]

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