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# The Essential Tarot Kit: Book And Card Set



## Synopsis

Unlock the secrets of the ancient and mystical art of the Tarot and plot your path to spiritual growth with The Essential Tarot Book and Card Set. The classic Hanson-Roberts Tarot Deck and 112-page Essential Book of Tarot are packaged with a decorative storage box with magnetic closure. Follow the simple instructions in the guidebook to discover the meanings behind the mysterious imagery of the cards and learn how to conduct your own Tarot readings. The Essential Book of Tarot explains the fortune-telling elements of each Tarot card, as well as the history and lore of the Tarot. Rich, full-color illustrations by renowned artist Mary Hanson-Roberts adorn the book and each card in the complete 78-card deck. Her ethereal images, based on time-honored traditions, capture the spirit and soul of the Tarot. Attractive keepsake box features a ribbon tab, ribbon hinge, and molded tray in which to keep your book and cards. Beginners and established Tarot readers alike will enjoy this unique set. Set includes 112-page full-color hardcover mini guidebook with dust jacket, full deck of Tarot cards, and keepsake box. Box measures 7-1/2 inches wide x 5-1/2 inches high x 1-1/2 inches deep. A great value, wonderful gift, and superb resource for Tarot aficionados of all levels.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

About me and Tarot. Right now, I am a re-beginner. I used to be a very advanced Tarot reader in the mid to late 1960's when Tarot was making resurgence in popularity. I had the gift of being able to get the meanings from the card and tell the story the layout foretold for the questioners and doing it accurately. The deck I used at that time was a standard Rider-Waite and was a decent product for its time. I stopped reading the cards and haven't even thought about them for the past 50 years. My

original deck is long gone. For some reason, almost a month ago I decided to start again. A detailed search led me to believe I would be unhappy with the basic Rider-Waite decks of today. I am fussy about the card stock being at least decent and I will not put up with shabby lithography with today's ability to print nice images. In my search, I found this Hanson-Roberts deck geared toward beginners. And here are the meat and potatoes of my review. This is the perfect deck for beginners. The images and colors are clear and crisp and the coloring stays within the lines. Although there is some of the small detail missing, I believe this is actually an advantage to someone just starting to learn. The images are close up and scream their story to the novice reader. As far as someone more advanced, they would work fine as a travel deck or a casual circumstance deck to do a reading. The box they come in is very sturdy and has a magnetic latch. So as the beginner grows and learns, another deck might get chosen later on, but this one will stay in use over time. The artwork is beautiful. The card stock is decent and should last for a long time. The card size is a little smaller than average but that makes shuffling easier.

This package includes the Hanson-Roberts Tarot and The essential book of TAROT. The Hanson-Roberts Tarot is a lighthearted redrawing of the Rider-Waite Tarot by Mary Hanson-Roberts. The penciled artwork is slightly cartoonish, and the scenes are rendered much closer than the Rider-Waite tarot. The result is a tarot deck that even as being small-sized, it is still easy to read, to study and to appreciate. Some of the symbolism had been traded off for the close up shots, which may be a turn off for some tarot collectors, but still makes it easier for beginners to use. Each card in this deck is labeled in five languages within a small white scrolls at the bottom. The English label is most prominent than the others, most of the time presented in the middle of the scroll. The Major Arcanas are numbered, starting at 0 for The Fool and roman numerals for the remainder Major Arcanas. The essential book of TAROT by Rosalind Simmons is essentially a small hard covered illustrated version of the Little White Book that usually comes with tarot decks. Albeit being a cute book, it slightly hinders the portability of this deck. However, it works well as part of this gift set. This set is recommended for those tarot collectors who like small-sized tarot decks. Other decks by Mary Hanson-Roberts: Tarot to Go! (Activity Book) (Petites Plus)

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