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Pagan Portals - Irish Paganism: Reconstructing Irish Polytheism





Synopsis

Irish Reconstructionist Polytheism is an often misunderstood path, but it is one with great richness and depth for those who follow it. This short introductory book touches on the basic beliefs and practices of Irish Polytheism as well as other important topics for people interested in practicing the religion using a Reconstructionist methodology or who would just like to know more about it. Explore the cosmology of the ancient Irish and learn how the old mythology and living culture show us the Gods and spirits of Ireland and how to connect to them. Ritual structure is explored, as well as daily practices and holidays, to create a path that brings the old beliefs forward into the modern world.

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Customer Reviews

I had heard so many good things about this book; many people suggested it as a beginnerâ [™]s resource and had several good aspects to point out about it. I picked it up on these recommendations and immediately set out to read it.Now one thing I do have to make clear before jumping into this is that I understand that the book is meant to be a â œPortalâ • into the world of Irish Polytheism. As such, I donâ [™]t expect it to cover any given subject in any manner of complete

and detailed depth. However, when I look for an educational book I look for books that present their information in a clear, concise manner- and which present more than just a passing glance at information. This book did end up being very disappointing to me in these aspects. The largest issue I had with it has most to do with how it was written. While casual presentations and writing tones are often a bonus, I found that this book was actually a bit too casual in its approach to the information presented- for my tastes at least; it felt more like I was browsing someoneâ [™]s blog instead of perusing the pages of an educational book- and that simply isnâ [™]t something that I, personally, enjoy in educational material. I like a balance of casual Humor and academic formality, and I donâ [™]t feel like the author did that terribly wellâ | This, however, is more a personal reading preference than an actual fault of the book. I think that the legitimate faults (as opposed to a simple personal preference of mine) lay mostly within the organization and construction of the book, as well as the material itself. For one, the author flights around the subject matter with no real flow. The would be speaking of one thing at one moment, then suddenly switch topics entirely before returning to the original topic.

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