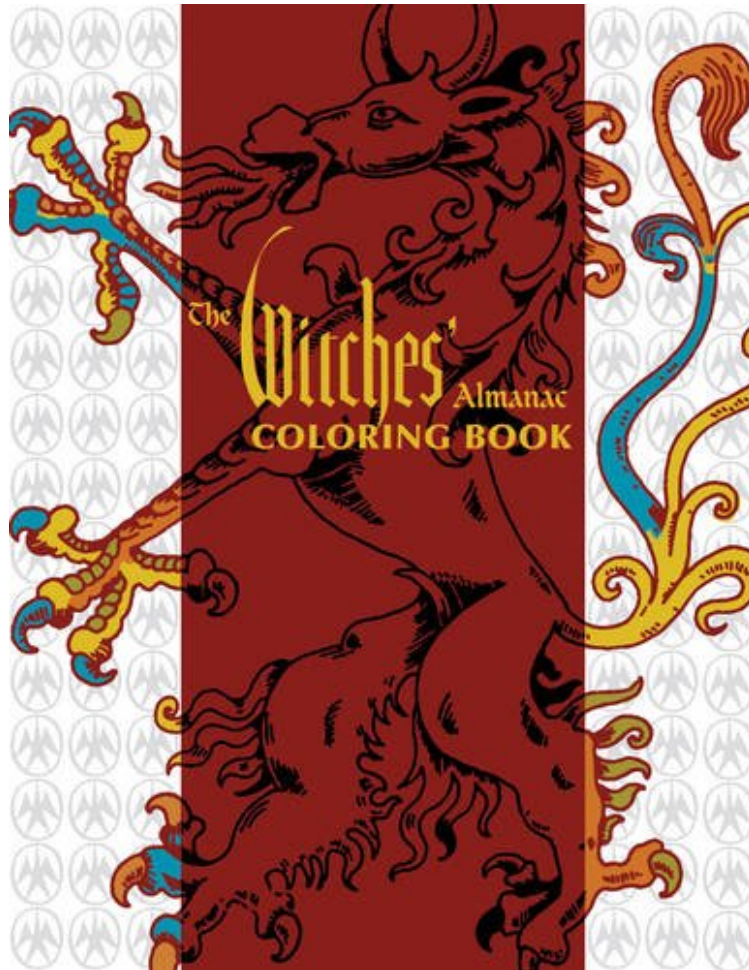


## The Witches' Almanac Coloring Book

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**From The Witches' Almanac : The Witches' Almanac Coloring Book** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Witches' Almanac Coloring Book:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A must for your collection By chrisnsue Having been an avid Witches' Almanac reader for so many years, I'm delighted to see a colouring/inking book that features many of the illustrations featured in the almanac. I used to colour them anyway. These illustrations in the colouring book are magnified as large as a typical magazine size. Paper thickness is not too thin to the point it feels flimsy. It's thick enough that most colour pencils will not bleed through. Illustrations are printed on both sides of the pages. Overall it's a good collection to have just because the illustrations aren't run of the mill. Kudos to the publisher, it will be cherished with all the issues of the almanacs. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Not sure I'd call this a coloring book. By kncjr Most of the woodcut style pages are very dark and paper is very thin. I wouldn't have bought this as a coloring book if I had seen some of the pages. Interesting designs but I personally won't be able to color many of them.

I've attached a couple pictures to decide for yourself. I would like to say I'm a big fan of The Witches' Almanac and have most copies since the mid 70's but was disappointed in this "coloring book". 3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Printed on both sides of thin paper By Andrew Kolb while this is a good book of woodcut style illustrations calling it a coloring book is a stretch. The illustrations are darkly shaded and printed on both sides so you cannot use ink, markers or water colors. The paper is also thin and the illustration on the back side of the page shows through. I am disappointed in this purchase but not overly so.

The Witches' Almanac has long featured black and white images of beautiful woodcuts, fantastical creatures, tarot cards, astrological features and constellations, as well as line drawing selected from the folklore of our global community. The Witches' Almanac Coloring Book brings together a larger format of these images presented in past Almanacs (in addition to images that have not been presented) allowing the inner artist to emerge in a mediation of color. Neatly packed into seven distinct sections, the first fittingly is Woodcuts. When they first appeared in Europe, woodcuts had thick outlines and little shading. A printer inked the block and applied light pressure to transfer the lines to paper. After the ink dried, another craftsman might color the images by hand. In other words, the process was very much like a coloring book today, except that today you are the colorist. The six remaining sections are Constellations, The Planets, Creatures, Egyptian, Americas and Tarot. Each provides for the artist the space to meditate on the imagery imbuing each with color. The aspiring Tarot reader should especially enjoy the final section where each of the 22 Major Arcana and the four Aces are provided.

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