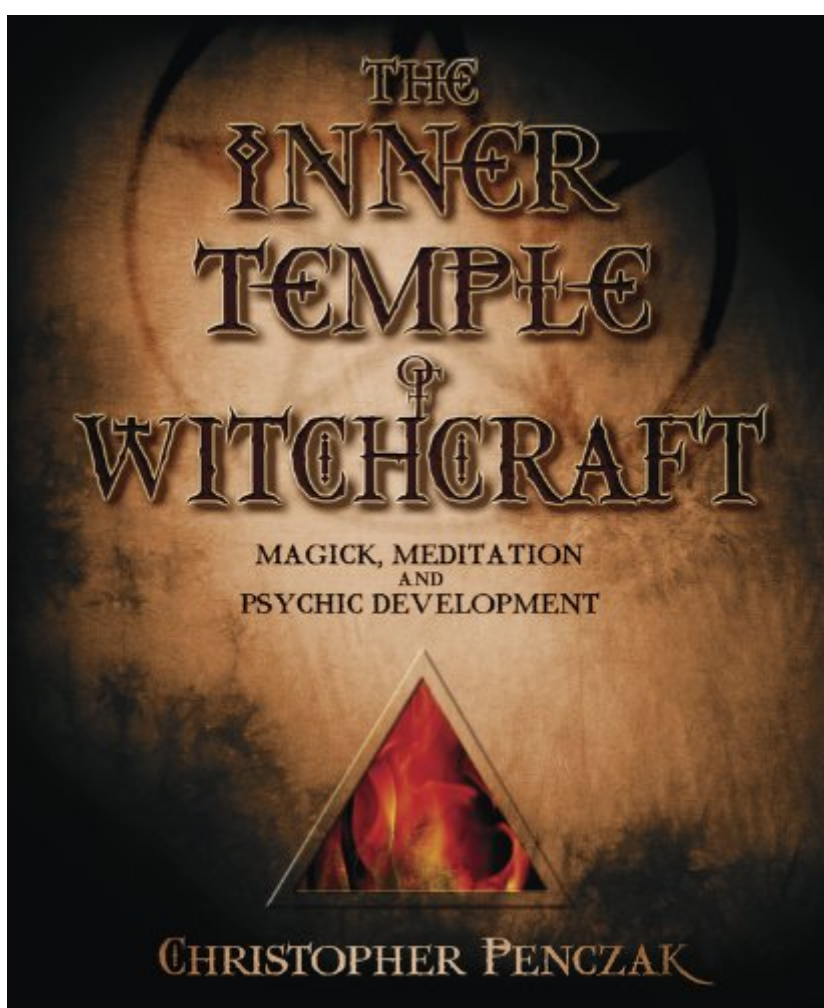


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The Inner Temple Of Witchcraft: Magick, Meditation And Psychic Development (Penczak Temple Series)



Synopsis

Explore your Inner Temple—your personal sacred space where there are no boundaries and all things are possible. With study, dedication, and practice, the lessons and exercises in this book will empower you to transform the repetitive rigors of the daily grind into a witch's web of magickal experiences. The Inner Temple of Witchcraft is a thorough course of education, introspection, meditation, and the development of the magickal and psychic abilities that are the birthright of the witch. Four introductory chapters present the history, traditions, and principles of witchcraft, followed by thirteen lessons that start with basic meditation techniques and culminate in a self-initiation ceremony equivalent to the first-degree level of traditional coven-based witchcraft. As you progress through this year-and-a-day course of study, you will explore a wide range of topics that support and inform the dedicated witch: Ancient and modern magickal philosophy Modern scientific theories supporting a new definition of reality "Instant" magick techniques for protection, healing, and serenity Energy work and anatomy, including chakras and auras Astral travel, dreams, and spirit guides Healing techniques for body, mind, and spirit This book's non-dogmatic presentation encourages an eclectic, personal approach while providing a strong foundation for the practice of witchcraft and magick. Develop your psychic abilities and practice potent magickal techniques as you explore the source of every witch's power—the temple within. Winner of the 2003 Coalition of Visionary Resources (COVR) Award for Best Magic Book

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Customer Reviews

These books tend to have great exercises. They seem to start a little rough and get better as they go along. He has a couple off diagrams, for instance, the Witch's Pyramid diagram has different elements attributed to each point compared to every other place I've ever seen it, with no explanation why he sees it that way. Overall, just try and cross-reference when you read books; no work is perfect. It was really unfortunate to see him reference Native American stories in his books without attributing the tribe it came from. Something I consider due common courtesy. Chapter two actually made me want to yell at the book. He seems to be a perpetuator of unproven theories of history. (Like many authors it unfortunately seems he is influenced by the thoroughly discredited Murray thesis of the primitive witchcraft religion.) Weaving it in with tid bits of generally accepted 'truths', it seemed presented as historic reality on the whole. It would have been better presented as over all theory. I don't feel the two words "For me" at the begining were enough of a 'disclaimer' if you will for multiple pages of historical presentation, after which those two words are easily forgotten. The page prior appears to have been an attempt at a disclaimer but reads to me as more of a justification along the lines of 'no one can agree and too many people are inclined to discredit things that don't fit their idea of reality.' Incidentally, if most people agree that historic theory without apparent basis is less credible, one might think there is something to that, wouldn't you say? Penczak says "Many of the early books and stories used as a foundation by Wiccans have been somewhat discredited by later scholars" 'Somewhat' an understatement...

This is a fantastic book for those who want to start the path of Witchcraft on the right foot. The information is clear and relevant, and the exercises will really take your practice to the next level. I wish I had read this book before all others on the topic of Witchcraft as a religion. It really sets aside the spellwork, rituals, tools, and everything "outer" to really develop the "inner" part of Witchcraft. I loved it and would HIGHLY recommend it! ~*Moody Thursday*~

I've read nearly all of Christopher Penczak's books, and this one, "The Inner Temple of Witchcraft" is one that I find myself going back to time and time again. The author is knowledgeable, and has a

wonderful writing style, that really makes it feel as though you are taking a class with him in person, as it is based on his real-life courses. I love the meditation exercises in it, and for them alone, I highly recommend this book! But not only that, the author touches on the history of modern paganism, but tries to keep it from a scholarly approach versus a more mythical stand-point, though he does touch on that as well. There is also a brief introduction to quantum physics in one of the chapters which I found fascinating! No, Mr. Penczak is not a physicist by any means, but the information he gives is enough to help point people who are interested in learning more about quantum mechanics in the right direction and has a fantastic suggested reading list for more information. There are a LOT of beginner Wicca 101 or Witchcraft basics books out there, and it's hard to find ones that are worth paying for... this is one of those few books that really takes the reader down the basics, gives them a solid foundation to work from and makes it interesting while you're doing that. It is based on the year-and-a-day training model, and the reader will find themselves on a fantastic journey of self-discovery. You won't find any rituals or spells in this book - that's for the next book in the series "The Outer Temple of Witchcraft", and the reason for that is because how can you cast spells or do rituals if you don't have the basics of meditation and intention down? This book gives you the tools to be a more effective witch, and honestly, it helped me become a better person as I learned a lot about myself on my year-and-a-day journey through this book. Definitely a must read, as well as the other books in this series, which I will review soon enough. Blessings!

I had seen this book for awhile and a friend even highly recommended it to me. But, it wasn't til it arrived that I saw that many of the great reviews about the book were in fact true. I love the way C. Penczak writes. I found it easy to study. My only regret is that I hadn't actually got the book prior to many of my other purchases on this subject. I would highly recommend it for those just starting out because it instructs you to work and focus on doing the inner work on YOU instead of focusing on rituals etc.

Everyone has their own favorite authors, and for me Penczak is one of my favorites. This book is great for beginners, and I highly recommend it to anyone just starting out. Personally I love the way Penczak breaks things down and explains them. His exercises are great and very fundamental in order to build on. I say this is a great book for experienced people also (though I know some may be offended by that), for some of the same reasons as for beginners. How he breaks things down and his exercises. The other reviews that left 5 stars have said it great too, so I won't rewrite what they

have, i'll just close by saying that personally, i reccomend this book to anyone from those just starting out to those who have been around for a while.

I really love these books. I have all but one. This book I started off with in this series. There is ALOT of information in it. He teaches and helps you understand what is being said in each chapter. There is Meditaions to help you understand the lesson. It is very good for beginners. The first couple of chapters talks about Wheel of the year and explains alittle about our history. It talks about pushing and pulling energy and how to use it. It has exercises for you to do which is awesome cause it gets you to thinking. Christopher Penczak is a wonderful teacher and I highly recommend all his books.

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