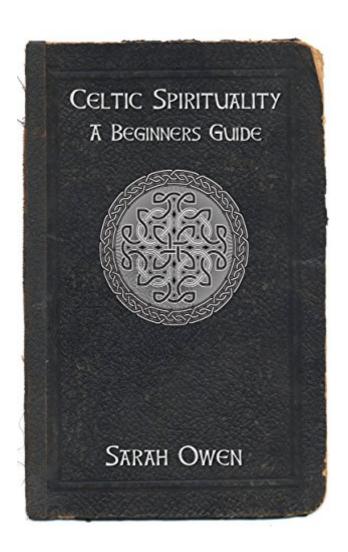
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Celtic Spirituality: A Beginners Guide To Celtic Spirituality





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The Earth-centred philosophy and rituals of ancient Celtic spirituality have special relevance today as we strive to balance our relationship with the planet. This guide offers a comprehensive introduction to the rich religious tradition of the Celts. Contents include: \hat{a} ϕ Historical and mythological roots of Celtic spirituality \hat{a} ϕ Important Celtic holy days and their rituals \hat{a} ϕ The powers of Celtic Goddesses and Gods \hat{a} ϕ Easy guidelines for setting up a Celtic altar \hat{a} ϕ Instructions for creating and using Celtic divination tools such as Runes and Ogham Sticks

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I got this book because my main focus is Irish paganism and more generally Celtic paganism. I was excited to see something new on the market which aimed to introduce beginners to the topic, but was quickly disappointed by the book and it's contents. The spiritual system is only very loosely based on anything Celtic, as interpreted through a very modern lens, but that in itself isn't a huge problem. Although I might quibble that it isn't particularly Celtic I'm sure it has value for people. The reason I gave it one star, however, is that it is absolutely riddled with factual errors. She claims the ancient name of Britain - Albion - is from a Greek titan when it is actually from a word for "white".

She treats the invasion myths of Ireland as actual history, and relates each wave of mythic invaders to actual human groups, something that was trendy a hundred years ago but is generally understood as unrealistic now. She denies that the Druids sacrificed animals or people, implying it was largely propaganda, even though there is a great deal of evidence that they did indeed do so (as did most cultures at that time). The author refers to Britain and Ireland as interchangeable when they are not. She says that the Welsh goddess Cerridwen is a member of the Irish Tuatha De Danann, when she isn't. She claims the Morrigan, goddess of war and battle, is a sea goddess with a gentle nature associated with whales and sand dollars something I can honestly say I have never sen anywhere else (that's not a good thing).

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