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## **Wiccan Protection Symbols - What Are They, How To Use Them, And How They Can Help You**

The most popular Wiccan symbol is the pentagram. A pentagram cut out on a piece of wood or stone and used for magickal purposes is called a pentacle. The pentacle is sometimes used as the focal point of the altar. The shape of the five pointed star represents a human being. Feet apart, arms extended with the head representing the star's topmost point. It also represents the four elements of the Earth and the spirit with the circle connecting them all.

Symbols are used in religious ceremonies, in spells, on amulets and other jewelry, in protection devices and in other rituals. Just drawing a pentagram in the air with our fingers is believed to cleanse and purify the sanctity of the surroundings. Many people draw pentagrams on exam papers and other personal properties to inspire them and to make positive things happen in their future.

The circle is one of the most ancient symbols and it represents the cyclic, eternal nature of life. The wedding ring, the sacred circle cast before rituals, the circle that is part of the pentagram symbol and many of the other symbols are reminders of the protective, magickal Universe which is never originating or ending and contained in itself completely.

The Triquetra is a Celtic symbol that embodies the number 3 which is considered very auspicious in the Wiccan religion. There are three phases of the Goddess as maiden, mother and crone which repeats over and over like life itself. It also represents the eternal cycle of life, death and rebirth as well as the holy trinity. A similar symbol was found on religious statues made in India almost 5000 years ago.





The Triple moon sometimes shown as the full moon flanked by the waxing and the waning moon on either side. This symbol is sometimes used in head ornaments of crowns and may adorn the High Priestesses during rituals.

A maze like symbol called Hecate's symbol is associated with the Greek Goddess. She is believed to rule over the underworld and may sometimes be known as the Goddess of Witches. This is used sometimes as protections symbols.

The eye of the Horus is usually seen on buildings and is used for protection. This symbol originated from Egyptian magickal traditions. Wearing the symbol of Isis, the Goddess "from whom all arose" is believed to summon the Goddess power in us.

The symbol of the horned God depicted as a full moon with a crescent moon symbol on top. The Ankh is an ancient symbol of life, fertility and union of the female and the male.

Other symbols used are the Chalice, the Censer, the Athame, the Earth with its four quadrants, Cauldron, etc. Symbols are mainly associated with our emotions.

Drawing a pentacle puts our mind at ease knowing that we are safe, our future is safe and that we are not powerless. You may have seen the symbol of the fish on cars that travel ahead of you. In Christianity, Fish is the symbol of peace and love. Similarly, pagan folks use symbols to guard their houses, vehicles, barns, animals and themselves by adorning themselves or their possessions with protective symbols.

You can also charge items that you use for rituals, spells and other ceremonies by drawing a symbol (pentagram, circle, etc) over it and meditating deeply on the transfer of energy from the Universe and you into the item.

We can cleanse and charge our tools and items we use in spells by drawing upon our own strength and power and charging the tools which enable them to protect us from negative experiences.

Symbols have been used by many civilizations through the millenniums for protection, adornment and power.

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