

## **Runes: Reading List and Resources** **Anastasia Haysler, February 12, 2016**

These lists are books and other resources I have found helpful to varying degrees. This list is not exhaustive. If you have others you recommend, send me a note and let me know!

### **Reading List:**

Blum, Robert, *The Book of Runes: A Handbook for the Use of an Ancient Oracle: The Viking Runes*. London: Guild Publishing London, 1985.

Krasskova, Galina, and Raven Kaldera. *Northern Tradition for the Solitary Practitioner: A Book of Prayer, Devotional Practice, and the Nine Worlds of the Spirit*. Franklin Lakes, NJ: New Page Books, 2009.

Krasskova, Galina. *Runes: Theory & Practice*. Franklin Lakes, NJ: New Page Books, 2010.

Paxson, Diana. *Taking Up The Runes: A Complete Guide To Using Runes In Spells, Rituals, Divination, And Magic*. York Beach, ME: Weiser Books, 2005.

Pennick, Nigel. *The Book of Primal Signs: The High Magic of Symbols, Second Edition*. Destiny Books, 2014.

Pennick, Nigel. *The Complete Illustrated Guide to Runes*. Shaftesbury, Dorset: Element Books, 1999.

Pennick, Nigel. *Magical Alphabets*. York Beach, Me.: S. Weiser, 1992.

Pennick, Nigel. *Pagan Magic of the Northern Tradition: Customs, Rites, and Ceremonies*. Destiny Books, 2015.

Pennick, Nigel. *Rune Magic*. London: Aquarian/Thorsons, 1992.

### **Rune Resources:**

Site to convert Latin letters to your choice of Elder Futhark, Anglo-Saxon runes, Long Branch Younger Futhark, Short Twig Younger Futhark, or staveless runes. Note that he uses some alternate forms of the runes--for example, Sowelu is flipped to be a mirror of the standard depiction.

<http://www.vikingrune.com/rune-converter/>

Unicode key to runes on your standard keyboard:

<http://www.unicode.org/charts/PDF/U16A0.pdf>

Pre-made rune fonts, compatible with Mac and Windows. While it claims complete correctness, the Chalc character is upside down. Otherwise, it's the only font I've found that includes the Elder Futhark, Younger Futhorc, Anglo-Saxon, and the Northumbrian runes.  
<http://www.rune-fonts.co.uk/fontlist.html>

Raven Kaldera's website: [www.RavenKaldera.org](http://www.RavenKaldera.org). Full of information about runes, Northern Tradition magic, and shamanism. Kaldera has also assembled a collection of links to other rune-related and Northern Tradition sites. Last but not least, the site has a shop where you can buy all kinds of rune gear, including handmade runes from wood or crystals.

Oswald the Runemaker: <http://www.runemaker.com/runemaker.shtml>  
Information about runes, bindrunes, and a shop with all kinds of things to make your diviner's heart go pitter-pat.

Sunnyway, "Runes, Alphabet of Mystery": <http://www.sunnyway.com/runes/index.html>  
While it hasn't been updated in a long while, the basic information it provides is useful, and the endless pages of links to other rune resources will keep you busy for quite a while.

The Rune Site: <http://www.therunesite.com/section/rune-sets/>  
General, basic information about runes. Some incomplete pages, but the ones that are filled in are useful.

Strandagaldur Museum of Icelandic Sorcery & Witchcraft:  
[http://www.galdrasyning.is/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=category&id=18&Itemid=60&lang=en](http://www.galdrasyning.is/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&id=18&Itemid=60&lang=en)

Dan McCoy's "Norse Mythology for Smart People": <http://norse-mythology.org/>  
Per Dan: "reliable, well-documented information on the fascinating gods, goddesses, tales, places, and ideas that comprise the ancient mythology and religion of the Norse and other Germanic peoples".

Futhark Journal of Runic Studies: <http://futhark-journal.com/issues/>  
Academic papers and analysis.