Rupert's Tales: The Wheel Of The Year Beltane, Litha, Lammas, And Mabon
Synopsis

A groundbreaking story that collects, commemorates, and illuminates traditional, sacred Pagan practices and beliefs in a fresh, contemporary, and whimsical style. Join Rupert the rabbit on his adventures as he sets out to discover how and why people leave their homes to celebrate seasonal holidays in the forest where he lives. As Rupert’s journey unfolds throughout the seasons, he meets owls, fairies, and old friends who teach him about the Wheel of the Year. Beautifully illustrated, this book is an excellent starting point for young children being raised within the loose structure of the various Pagan traditions. You don’t have to be Pagan to be enchanted by Rupert and the magick found in his tales.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I just finished reading the best book for teaching the Sabbats to younger children. It is written by a good friend of mine Kyrja and published through Schiffer Books. This book covers from Beltane to Mabon, with the next one due out some time soon. And it introduces the concepts behind the Sabbats in rhyming couplets from the viewpoint of a little rabbit called Rupert. When reading it earlier today, I was reminded anew of that sense of wonder that we have all felt when we started down this road into the Craft. Rupert's Tales (as it is called) also does a wondrous job of describing the sacredness of nature and that deity is everywhere. And this doesn't even cover the beautiful
Rupert’s Tales is a delightful insight into the history and traditions of 4 of the eight Pagan Sabbats. This book covers the two Summer Sabbats (Beltane and Litha, or MidSummer) and two of the three Harvest Sabbats (Lammas and Mabon). The stories are told from the perspective of an inquisitive rabbit named Rupert who wants to know what the humans are doing and why. It is filled with beautiful imagery and delightful prose. These tales are a wonderful addition to the magickal library of any Pagan with small children or those that simply want to enjoy a wonderful way of discovering the Sabbats.

We bought this book because of previews we had seen and it was all we thought and more. When we order it we bought an extra copy of the book for our grandson, we are waiting till next payday to buy a few more as gifts for others we know who have our belief. We can not wait for the author to come out with more works. The art work with the book is great we could not believe the pictures that went with the stories they are a great example of the story.

I love this book! The artwork is child friendly, the stories are engaging and Rupert is adorable! When the Goddess and God do make an appearance, they do not look like they came from Fantasy Art, but are still attractive and modest in dress and appearance. That has been my problem with most children’s literature, they do not need to use fantasy art to represent the Divine Couple. Although the Beltane story was a bit long for my 5 year old daughter, the content is age appropriate. Highly recommend this for any pagan family. I just ordered the second book and hope to include these stories into my family coven soon. Blessed Be.

My young son, Taylor, loves Rupert! We first learned of these marvelous tales directly from the author. She and her husband were doing a children’s storytime book reading that we attended. When we brought the book home, the characters came to life just as they did when we were there in...
As a pagan/Wiccan family, it's often hard for us to decide what is age appropriate for a 4 year old. The most important thing is for my son to feel special, have his heart warmed, and let his imagination soar when reading books. I am also beginning to teach my son the basics of the wonderous spiritual world of Wicca. Things like compassion for all life, responsibility to mother nature, and feeling a part of the rhythms of the planet are some of the basis of paganism and Wicca. Tales of Rupert delivers this and more! Beautifully written and illustrated, the customs of the traditional Wheel of the Year are explained simply for a child. When reading, I often find us pausing to talk about our own family traditions and answering my son's questions. I highly recommend Tales of Rupert! It is a safe choice for pagan/Wiccan parents and families. I trust that any Tales of Rupert book we buy will be appropriate for my child and spark wonder and imagination within him. With these worthy books, we have the opportunity to read together, bond together, and talk easily about our spiritual traditions. I hope you love Rupert as much as we do!

The illustrations are cute, but there isn't a very strong explanation about the Sabbats, IMO. Rhyme scheme is also a little iffy. But otherwise it is good for being the only Book of its kind that I could find.

This book fills a need for Pagan parents. It is good for early elementary age, perhaps grade 2-5. My younger kids had trouble following the stories a bit and would have liked more pictures. Still, it is a good intro to the Wheel of the Year for kids.

This book is a wonderful choice for both Pagan's who want a good book for their children, a fun read for Pagan's of any age, and those of other religions who would like to learn about the major holidays of Wicca. Its a fun ryming read and Rupert's adventures are a delight to read about.

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