



A Prayer to the Elder

Elder, Sacred King and Queer Father, Beloved of sons, brothers, and lovers, I give you thanks and honor. I ask your blessing as I walk the Labyrinth, for clear sight and Wisdom in my heart.

Elder, Lord of the sleeping forest and roaring flame, I give up to you all falsehoods so that I might speak wisely in this world, as though you tell the tale.

I honor you always in the circle of my life. Ta kya te.

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Elder Prayer Candle

Cut stickers out by the guidelines shown. The front god-image, alternately, can be cut in careful lines around the shape of the star itself. After cutting, simply place them, vertically centered, on either side of a green or white pillar candle.



Suggested Instructions for Use:

1. After cutting and placing stickers, set candle on a level, non-flammable surface.
2. Close your eyes and breathe, centering in whatever way feels right to you.
3. Light the wick. Focus on the candle's image of the Elder, or close your eyes and conjure a different image in your mind's eye. Focus on this image in as much detail as you can using all five senses, whispering His name if you wish.
4. When you feel as though you have sufficiently built up the god within your mind, speak the given prayer or something similar. If you have a specific petition or spell you wish to work on with the blessings of the god, you may wish to do this in between the second and third paragraphs.
5. You may wish to use whatever extra time you desire to meditate on the face of the god to distill any messages that He may have for you.
6. Give Him offering, based if you wish on the suggestions to the right.
7. End with a "Ta Kya Te", extinguish the candle, and take a finishing breath.

Suggested Correspondences

Color: Light blue, the color of deep ice

Foods/Offerings: Elderberries, preserved foods, heirloom recipes; wassail, mead, port; lilies, cinquefoil, evergreens

Herbs: Agrimony, anise, wood betony, borage, clove, elder, fig, honeysuckle, horse chestnut, houseleek, hyssop, linden, liverwort, mandrake, maple, meadowsweet, nutmeg, sarsaparilla, sassafras, star anise, sweetgrass, green Ti, witch grass

Oils: Cypress, spikenard, hyssop, pine gum

Stones: Obsidian, geodes, fossils