



October Shadows

Classic Ghost Stories for Halloween

Edited by John A. Rice

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Binding	Hardback
Territory	World excluding USA, Canada, Puerto Rico, and Australia
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- A deluxe collection of 13 classic ghost stories—by authors including Washington Irving, Edgar Allan Poe, and Edith Nesbit—perfect for the spooky season
- Illustrated with paintings executed on autumn leaves by artist John A. Rice
- Each leaf is shown two ways: in daylight, and lit from behind by candlelight, creating a jack-o-lantern glow
- In the same format as Rice's popular (and ghostly) edition of *A Christmas Carol*
- A true collector's edition, with beautiful typography and a real cloth binding with two-colour stamping and a leaf-shaped tip-on

A ghostly story collection accompanied by hauntingly beautiful illustrations—reproductions of paintings on autumn leaves.

In **October Shadows**, artist John A. Rice brings to life classic ghost stories, using actual autumn leaves as his canvas. Each of the 13 tales—by authors including Washington Irving, Edgar Allan Poe, and Charlotte Perkins Gilman—explores the unexplained and the macabre, tapping into our worst fears and the darker side of human nature while exploring the supernatural mysteries that connect all our lives. This is the perfect book for curling up in front of a fire on a chilly night, when the moon is high, the wind whispers in the trees, and ominous shadows lurk around every corner.

Every story in **October Shadows** is illustrated with an original artwork executed on an autumn leaf. Each artwork is shown twice: once at the beginning of the story, and once at the end, transformed—like the face of a jack-o'-lantern—by backlighting, the light bleeding through the leaf and transforming the colours to an eerie and haunting effect. Like a relic from another era, **October Shadows** features a deluxe binding and gilt edges. By breathing new life into timeless stories and reimagining them with Rice's unique approach, this anthology is poised to become an essential autumn classic—a book for Halloween and for cozy, spooky reading all year round.

John A. Rice is an artist specialising in oil pastels and the proprietor of J.A.R. Studio, NYC. A skilled Tarot reader, he is the creator of the internationally popular **MINDSCAPES** tarot deck. John's mission is "to foster healing, introspection, and creativity through otherworldly art—empowering the internal world so that we can enrich our outer world."

