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Symbolorum Oracle Cards

A 60-Card Oracle Deck and Guidebook

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- The first-ever oracle deck based on a 400-year-old emblem book
- Emblems consist of an allegorical engraving paired with a motto—they convey wisdom through symbolism
- The sixty emblems on these cards feature ancient nature symbolism: the esoteric meanings of plants, animals, birds, and sea creatures
- The companion volume explains each emblem, and how to use its wisdom to guide your path
- Deck creator Mandy Aftel—the renowned natural perfumer and cultural curator—also suggests a scent pairing for each card
- This deck is a companion to Aftel's book *Symbolorum: The Secret Wisdom of Emblems*, but it features entirely different emblems—there is no overlap between the book and the deck
- Price does not include VAT

Illuminate your path with ancient wisdom: a gorgeous oracle deck with enchanting imagery from a 400-year-old book.

Renowned natural perfumer and cultural curator Mandy Aftel has created this magical oracle deck from the *Symbolorum et Emblematum* of Joachim Camerarius, an emblem book originally published more than four centuries ago. Each card features a single emblem from Camerarius's book: an allegorical engraving—beautifully hand-tinted in watercolour by Aftel—together with a motto and a couplet illuminating the moral of the engraving. In a companion guidebook, Aftel explores the layered meanings of each emblem, combining her own insights with the ancient wisdom compiled by Camerarius. Drawing on her expertise as a perfumer, she also suggests scent pairings for the emblems, for those who wish to deepen their divination with a multi-sensory experience.The rich symbolism of these emblems—long-lost cousins of the tarot—take us back to an enchanted view of nature in which human lives were intertwined with plants and animals, the moon and the stars. Individually and in spreads, they will unlock wisdom to widen your understanding and guide you on your path.This deck and guidebook is a companion to Aftel's book *Symbolorum: The Secret Wisdom of Emblems*, but the emblems it features are entirely different and have never been published in modern times. It is something completely new for the wisdom seeker.

Features:—A high-quality two-piece box—60 full-colour cards—72-page guidebook illustrated in full colour.

Mandy Aftel, an internationally known artisan perfumer and authority on natural fragrance, is the owner of Aftelier Perfumes and the Aftel Archive of Curious Scents in Berkeley, California. Her other books include *Essence and Alchemy: A Natural History of Perfume*, which helped sparked the natural perfume renaissance and has been translated into sixteen languages. Aftel's work has been featured in the *New York Times, Vogue, Vanity Fair*, and numerous other major outlets.

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