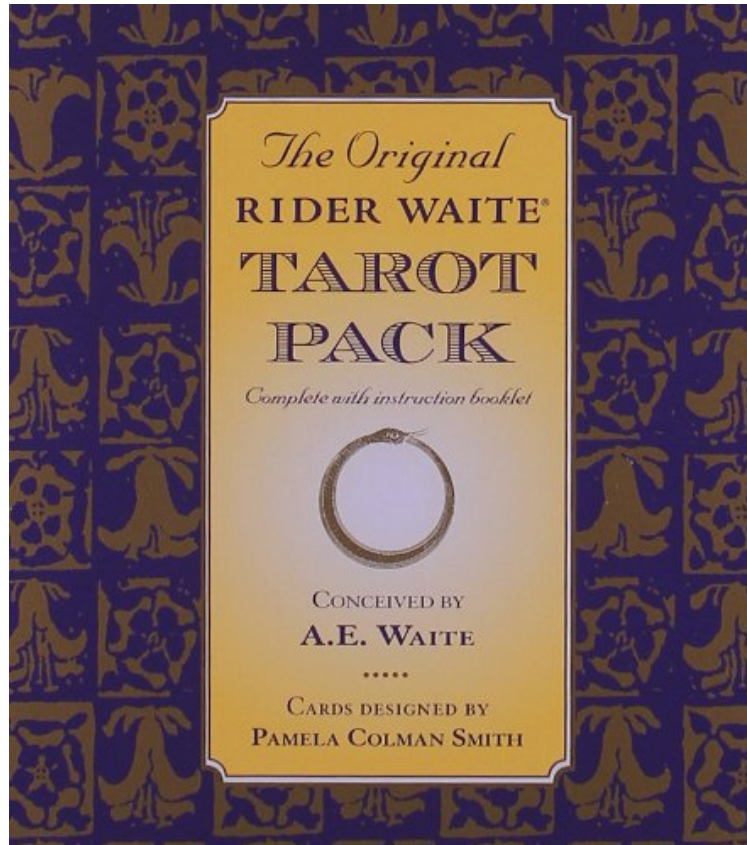


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**Arthur Edward Waite : The Original Rider Waite Tarot Pack** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Original Rider Waite Tarot Pack:

209 of 216 people found the following review helpful. Poor ReproductionBy Phoenix MoonshadowI bought this deck for my husband, who is learning Tarot. I am very disappointed in the quality of it. It appears to be a reproduction of a reproduction. The lines are not as neat and detailed. Some cards have details that appear to be missing (the 5 of Pentacles - the first mans arms are missing or obscured by the poor quality). Almost every card appears pixilated. I could go on with the list of problems but I think I will stop there. The only pros to this deck are the heavy card stock and the mini book that comes with it.I will be uploading pictures of these cards (via Photo bucket since doesn't allow uploads on this item) compared side by side with my Waite/Smith deck so you can see what I am talking about.[...][...]4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. The Best Rider DeckBy swati\_91This by far the best Rider Waite Tarot in existence. This is the only Rider deck that I use, it has a nice gloss and comes with the Tarot Key by Waite which is essential for a deeper understanding of the symbology involved.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A Foundation of Modern TarotBy RobbyThis is a fantastic reproduction of the 1910 edition of the Rider-Waite tarot deck. I have several versions of the Rider-Waite, and this is my favorite. I waffled a bit between this

one and U.S. Games's Smith-Waite Centennial edition, which has that great "old" feel, but at the end of the day, I keep going back to this one. This set also includes Waite's book(let) that he wrote for this deck. It swings from obtuse to obfuscatory, but it's...pretty? Read it. Then get a different book. For those new to Tarot, my only advice is to be aware of the differences in all the editions of the Rider-Waite. U.S. Games offers several "Rider-Waite" decks. The "Rider" deck is not quite as brightly colored, has a thinner card stock, and a "tarotee" back design (diagonally crossed black lines). The "Original Rider Waite Tarot Pack" listed here is a beautiful version of the original with bright colors and a blue "Tudor Rose" design on the back. The "Pamela Colman Smith Commemorative Set" includes the Centennial edition (along with a lovely book and extra material about the artist) which appears to be a copy of a well-scanned original deck, on excellent card stock, with a new back design that includes the rose and Pamela Colman Smith's initials as they appear on the cards. The "Smith-Waite Centennial Edition" is the deck only from the Commemorative set (sans book and extras). As an aside, U.S. Games also offers the Albano-Waite deck. Initially published in 1968, this groovy edition is a trippy, garishly colored version of Smith's original images. And this list is certainly not exhaustive; there are other "Rider" (publisher) or "Waite" (author/supervisor) or "Smith" (artist) decks out there from every publisher imaginable. In addition to the images themselves, many (if not most) modern decks use this deck as a basis for their own designs. O.K., so this wasn't much of a "review" of this product specifically, but if someone intends to read tarot, he or she should own a version of the Waite deck. It is one of the cornerstones of esoteric tarot in general and a foundation for the proliferation in tarot publishing today. And if that isn't enough to sell one, it is also a pleasant example of early twentieth-century English popular illustration. Enjoy.

Facsimile edition of the Rider-Waite Tarot deck originally printed from plates that were destroyed during the bombing of London during World War II. The deck and book set comes with the Rider-Waite Tarot deck by Pamela Colman Smith with original Tudor Rose back design, Celtic Cross divinatory chart, and The Key to the Tarot by Arthur Edward Waite.

In 1909, Arthur Edward Waite encouraged Pamela Colman Smith to produce a tarot deck with appeal to the world of art that would have significance behind the symbols, and thus make the deck more important than tarot packs previously used for centuries. The result was the unique Rider-Waite Tarot deck which has endured as the world's most popular 78-card tarot deck. The innovative cards, including the 56 Minor Arcana, depict full scenes with figures and symbols. This featured, combined with Pamela Smith's ability to capture the subtleties of emotion and experience, has made the Rider-Waite Tarot the basis for the designs of many 20th Century packs. The Original Rider Waite Tarot Pack is a facsimile edition originally printed from plates that were destroyed during the bombing of London during World War II. The deck and book set comes complete and in full-color with original Tudor Rose back design, Celtic Cross divinatory chart, and The Key to the Tarot by Arthur Waite. --Midwest Book