**Ostara/Eostre** 

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Eostre is a Goddess of spring and fertility; her name is derived from words for dawn, or the shining light from the East. The female hormone estrogen is also derived from her Saxon name Eastre.

Ostara is the spring equinox, a time where night and day stand in perfect balance, with the days and the powers of light growing stronger. It is a time to celebrate the warmth returning to the world and the balance of all things.

# Cast the Circle:

By the power of the dragons may this circle be blessed, cleansed and sanctified.

# **Calling the Quarters**

# East

Elementals of the east, all keepers of the realm of air, we invite you to our circle tonight. Please lift us with your fresh breeze, Hail and welcome.

# North

Elementals of the north, all keepers of the realm of fire, we invite you to our circle tonight. Please warm us with your rising sun, Hail and welcome.

# West

Elementals of the west, all keepers of the realm of water, we invite you to our circle tonight. Please cleanse us with your refreshing rain,

Hail and welcome.

#### South

Elementals of the earth, all keepers of the realm of earth, we invite you to our circle tonight. Please support us with your new growth, Hail and welcome.

#### Invoke the Goddess:

You who walk the fields, with flower in hand, You who sing the songs of spring, bringing warmth to the land, You who brings the morning, providing us with your light, Come now; please join us in our celebration tonight. Goddess Ostara, hail and welcome.



Select an egg from the altar. Pick one that you feel drawn to; the first one that catches your eye etc, don't worry if someone else chooses it, if you end up with it, it was meant for you.

# Meditation

Decorate egg



# **Closing:**

# Farewelling the Goddess:

Gracious Lady with golden hair Thank you for showering us with your warmth and care, Thank you for being part of our celebration tonight May you continue to bless us after this rite, Goddess Ostara, hail and farewell.

# South

Keepers of the South, of Earth, we thank you for your presence here tonight, Go in peace Hail and Farewell

# West

Keepers of the West, of Water, we thank you for your presence here tonight, Go in peace Hail and Farewell

# North

Keepers of the North, of Fire, we thank you for your presence here tonight, Go in peace Hail and Farewell

# East

Keepers of the East, of Air, we thank you for your presence here tonight, Go in peace Hail and Farewell

> May this circle be open but unbroken May the peace of the Goddess be ever in our hearts. Merry Meet and Merry Part And Merry Meet again.

