## ASCLEPIUS III

Offerings from this series are re-ups of Sphere + Sundry's classical Asclepius formula, heavily reliant on cleansing, purifying, and medicinal herbs and ingredients, but created under the auspices of a Ras Alhague election that spotlighted an exalted Sun, anchored to the IC of the chart. They work similarly to other Asclepius items of the same formulary, but possess a slightly warmer, more grounded, and illuminating quality. Functionally, application and use is no different.

Asclepius can be used to treat issues related to: pain, disease, any type of illness, pathologies, negative states, paranormal, psychological, or psychic disturbances, enduring hardship, grief, making the most of a bad situation (redemption), exorcism, energy clearing, healing sleep, medical procedures, health scares and healing protocols, recovery, general remediation of bad transits and circumstances, physical and energetic purification, addressing the root cause, detoxification, energetic hygiene, client work in healing professions, wards for the preservation of good health.

**Side effects:** Asclepius offerings can trigger the sudden need for sleep or prolonged sleep as part of the healing process. Can also cause what is known as a 'healing crisis', where things get worse before they get better, or different symptoms begin presenting as disease or bad energy works its way out of the body. Symptoms of physical and emotional detox. Feelings of emptiness after purification, before new growth fills newly decongested space. Start with low doses to assess tolerance.

**Layering + Remediation:** Asclepius offerings help to moderate the side effects of other series, making for an excellent layering companion. They also aid in metabolizing and integrating experiences, promoting transformation and increasing bandwidth.

**Planetary Days + Hours:** Asclepius offerings can be applied whenever needed, but the most potent times will be when the Moon or Ascendant are in Sagittarius, especially around the 22nd degree on the fixed star Ras Alhague, the celestial power fueling the charge of this series. Roughly speaking for the USA those dates are — 2020: 9/23, 10/21, 11/16, 12/14. You can also time applications to the Sun's days and hours (or whatever rules health significations in your own chart). New Moons are also good times to enact purification and releasing protocols.

**Chronic vs. Acute Application:** To address long-term issues, routine application is necessary. Daily or even numerous times per day can help resolve deeper layers of the problem, leading to greater improvement over time (start slow, however!). For acute ailments, such as temporary aches and pains, single applications often suffice. Multiple forms can also be layered together (water + oil).

**Prayers:** The Orphic Hymn to Asclepius follows. All applications work best paired with a mental or spoken prayer for the healing of X, and sincere thanks to the power involved. Short and sweet.

Great Asklepios, skill'd to heal mankind, all-ruling Pæan, and physician kind; Whose arts medic'nal, can alone assuage diseases dire, and stop their dreadful rage: Strong lenient God, regard my suppliant pray'r, bring gentle Health, adorn'd with lovely hair; Convey the means of mitigating pain, and raging, deadly pestilence restrain. O pow'r all-flourishing, abundant, bright, Apollo's honor'd offspring, God of light; Husband of blameless Health, the constant foe of dread Disease the minister of woe: Come, blessed saviour, and our health defend, and to our lives afford a prosp'rous end.

## SON OF APOLLO

Offerings from the Apollonian sub-set of Asclepius III feature healing ingredients of a more warming, yang, and active nature. They can be especially useful in addressing maladies and constitutions resulting from excess yin, cold, or damp. They provide excellent support for Solar remediation and the process of Light Work, assisting in holistic, productive, and healthy integration.

**Effects + Applications:** Uplifts, illuminates, and brings together. Use to rise above lower, darker, and more troubled states, daily or as needed. Assists in the process of self-discovery, personal congruence, family of origin work, and ancestral healing. Can be used to clear self, + space, sanitizing and clarifying energies in a way not dissimilar to sunlight. Use pre- or post- healing or Solar rituals. Apply intentionally on the Sun's hour(s) and day for Solar remediation.

**Individual Directions:** Visit each offering's page on the website for detailed instructions, especially re: the Honey-Clay Mask, Kolonía, and Salve.

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Prayers: Son of Apollo items can be used for Asclepius and Apollo alike. Apollo's hymn follows.

Blest Pæan, come, propitious to my pray'r, illustrious pow'r, whom Memphian tribes revere, Slayer of Tityus, and the God of health, Lycorian Phœbus, fruitful source of wealth. Spermatic, golden-lyr'd, the field from thee receives it's constant, rich fertility. Titanic, Grunian, Smynthian, thee I sing, Python-destroying, hallow'd, Delphian king: *Rural, light-bearer, and the Muse's head, noble and lovely, arm'd with arrows dread:* Far-darting, Bacchian, two-fold, and divine, pow'r far diffused, and course oblique is thine. *O*, Delian king, whose light-producing eye views all within, and all beneath the sky: Whose locks are gold, whose oracles are sure, who, omens good reveal'st, and precepts pure: Hear me entreating for the human kind, hear, and be present with benignant mind; For thou survey'st this boundless æther all, and ev'ry part of this terrestrial ball Abundant, blessed; and thy piercing sight, extends beneath the gloomy, silent night; Beyond the darkness, starry-ey'd, profound, the stable roots, deep fix'd by thee are found. The world's wide bounds, all-flourishing are thine, thyself all the source and end divine: 'Tis thine all Nature's music to inspire, with various-sounding, harmonising lyre; Now the last string thou tun'ft to sweet accord, divinely warbling now the highest chord; *Th'* immortal golden lyre, now touch'd by thee, responsive yields a Dorian melody. All Nature's tribes to thee their diff'rence owe, and changing seasons from thy music flow Hence, mix'd by thee in equal parts, advance Summer and Winter in alternate dance; This claims the highest, that the lowest string, the Dorian measure tunes the lovely spring. Hence by mankind, Pan-royal, two-horn'd nam'd, emitting whistling winds thro' Syrinx fam'd; Since to thy care, the figur'd seal's consign'd, which stamps the world with forms of ev'ry kind. Hear me, blest pow'r, and in these rites rejoice, and save thy mystics with a suppliant voice.