

The Patron

Introduction

The Patron is invested in your success—they want you to flourish. They have the means to support you from afar and have promised not to interfere too much. All they ask for in return is the occasional service—that's not too much to ask, right?

Special rules

The Patron is a unique kind of character. If you want to include them in your story, you should place this card in your play area and make their character choices after creating your witch in *Departure* (p. 28).

You won't add them to your volume deck or hang out with them, and they don't have tones or a crossroad.

Instead, **once per volume**, you may choose a **perk** to resolve. If you do, at the end of that volume as part of your rest, you **must** choose one **service** to resolve.

Character

Surname (choose one, and title—Ms., Dr., Lord, etc)

Ambani, Cavendish, Halliday, Moshiri, Orban, Wolf

Background (choose one)

eccentric relative, village official, benevolent widow, famous witch, spiritual leader, enigmatic investor

Perks

Break. Remove up to six dice from your tower, restacking it as necessary. Consider how your Patron's support allowed you to take this time for yourself.

Grant. Record a lesson under any skill. Consider what your Patron purchased that helped improve your craft—a tool, private tuition, or something stranger.

Liberty. Record a lesson under any skill. Consider what pressures your Patron's support alleviated, giving you the space to work on something new.

Rescue. Ignore the consequences of a dice tower collapse. Consider how your Patron's wealth or connections helped to smooth over any issues.

Services

Function. Your presence is requested at a formal event. What duties are you expected to perform?

Ritual. You must complete a routine process. Is it magical or mundane? What does it demand of you?

Request. You're asked to craft a special magical item. Why wouldn't you usually make this sort of thing?

Rebuff. You refuse to provide a service. Why won't you do it? Cross off one perk—it can't be chosen again.

Thank you so much for backing Koriko!