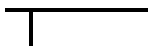
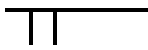










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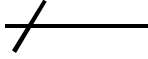
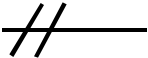
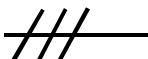
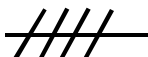


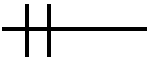



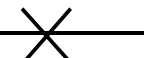
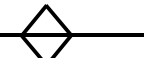





(Five fingers has the right hand,
And the left hand holds the same;
Five toes slant across a line,
But the other five are straight...)

	<p>B (beh)</p>	<p>Beith is the tree where Druids first perch; begin your climb on the white-haired Birch.</p>	<p>(new beginnings / changes are coming, possible need for purification.)</p>
	<p>L (lweesh) [flame or blaze]</p>	<p>Luis protects both Druid and cowan; senses on fire in berries of Rowan.</p>	<p>(magickal protection; clear senses / need to see clearly, firelight.)</p>
	<p>F (V) (fair-n)</p>	<p>Fearn confers guidance; sings words of wonder; take shelter under the red shield of Alder.</p>	<p>(supernatural guidance, listen to inner voices / shelter under a shield.)</p>
	<p>S (sahl)</p>	<p>Saille is the light of the moon on your pillow; see the world flow by the fine-colored Willow.</p>	<p>(dreams, sweetness, honeybees, water / lack of (a) life.)</p>
	<p>N (nin) [support, fork or loft]</p>	<p>Nuin makes spears, or weaver's shafts; numerous patterns come clear in the Ash.</p>	<p>(women weaving together, peace, stability, order, organization.)</p>
	<p>H (hoo-ah) [terror, despair]</p>	<p>H-úath hides safety in terrible thorn; sharp counsel and cleansing inside the Hawthorn!</p>	<p>(tough counsel, tough decisions / anxiety, fear, need to move.)</p>
	<p>D (dahr)</p>	<p>Duir stands in the lightning and dares the stroke; strong doors of wisdom are crafted of Oak.</p>	<p>(strength, doors / sudden knowledge.)</p>
	<p>T (chin-yuh) [rod of metal]</p>	<p>Tinne is sharp- to grasp it a folly; try justice and balance for berries of Holly.</p>	<p>(justice, balance, forging something / working with fire you can get burned.)</p>
	<p>C (cull)</p>	<p>Coll drops its hints in a cold, gray well; salmon are cunning, under the Hazel.</p>	<p>(wit, intuition, poetry / look to traditional sources of wisdom, too.)</p>
	<p>Q (kwurt) [shrubs, rags]</p>	<p>Quert gives you choice in the palm of your hand; but be wary of madness in fair Apple-Land.</p>	<p>(spiritual choices, the otherworld / madness, needs connection to mundane.)</p>

Main sources: Archdr. Skip Ellison's [What do we know about Ogham?](#); Steve Blamires' [Celtic Tree Mysteries](#); Nigel Jackson and Nigel Pennick's [New Celtic Tree Oracle](#); Robert Graves' [The White Goddess](#); Liz & Colin Murray's [Celtic Tree Oracle](#); John Matthews' [Celtic Seers Source Book](#); Paul Rhys Mountfort's [Ogam](#); Erynn Rowan Laurie's [Not Your Mama's Tree Ogam](#); Ellen Evert Hopman's workshops; the "Everything About Ogham" internet site; and "The Battle of the Trees," "The Scholar's Primer," and "The Madness of Suibne," and Peter Berresford Ellis's "The Fabrication of Celtic Astrology."

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	M (muhn) [neck or throat]	M uin's magick is all in the lines; make your voice clear in the colorful Vines.	(speak clearly, speak well, think it out / deceit in communications.)
	G (gort) [a field]	G ort grows inward, spiralling easily; gain your true self in the blue turning Ivy.	(inner search, look inside yourself, satisfaction / lost, lonely, or self-absorbed.)
	(J), NG (na-tal)	N-G edal is J ust right for sweeping the room; cleansing and healing, here's the green Broom.	(emotional healing, right tools, mundane effort / straight and narrow.)
	ST, Z(strahf) [sulpher]	S traif brings change through anger and scorn; strange secrets disguised in shillelagh's Black Thorn.	(strife, secrets, watch out for what the world is telling you! / use of force.)
	R (rhos) [red]	R uis is a gate; she bids you to enter the mounds of the fair near the blush of the Elder.	(ecstasy, gate to fairy, entry to magick / blush- from riches or from shame.)
	A (ahl-m) [a cry]	A ilm allows all the gifts of a seer; the all-seeing, far-sighted top of a Fir.	(prophecy, long-term vision, far-sighted, a voice far away / a goal far off.)
	O (uhn) [a wheel]	O nn is the wagon that leads the horse; guiding, moving are functions of Gorse.	(being a leader, a hidden leader, directing a journey / questioning a journey.)
	U (oor) [earth, soil]	U r brings together birds of a feather; healing and homelands- the purple Heather.	(physical healing, coming home, safety, growing, land / a cold home.)
	E (ed-ath) [no meaning]	E adhadh tells what's seen and spoken; flashing leaves on the trembling Aspen.	(unusual communication, friends, teachers / flash and distraction.)
	I (I-ho) [no meaning]	I dho brings the old to the new; death and rebirth in the root of the Yew.	(death and rebirth, drawing from your ancestors.)
<i>Forfedha</i>			
 (raft)	K, EA, CH (eb-ath)	K ind Ébad takes care of the weary sufferer; float above problems on rafts of White Poplar.	(buoyancy, floating above, / anaesthesia, fantasy.)
 (house)	(W), TH, OI (or)	O ir brings rewards to the helpful and thoughtful; W ork in community, heart of the Spindle.	(reward in work in the home and community.)
 (roots)	Y, UI, W, PH (ul-anth)	U ileand, well-rooted, grounded and merry; Y et all nature's kinfolk enjoy the sweet Berry.	(kindreds, nature spirits, sweetness, grounding.)
 (needle, thread)	P, IA, IO, PE (pin, ibin)	P lant Iphin for binding with button or buckle; pass needle and thread by the bright honeysuckle.	(binding, drawing together.)
 (screen)	X, AE, XI (eman-kol)	EX ceptional Eman-kol, willing to teach magick well hid in Witchhazel or Beech.	(magick, hidden knowledge.)

Letters in parentheses -(J) and (W)- are my own additions for using the alphabet in English. (V) is from R.A.S. Macalister's essay "Ogham" (1937). Forfedha descriptions -(raft), (roots)- are my own.

Description in [brackets] is the actual Old Irish meaning of the word that's become associated with that tree; otherwise, the Irish ogham word means the tree.