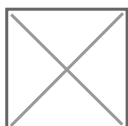


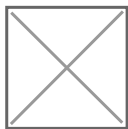
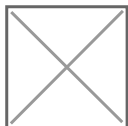
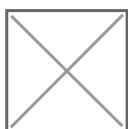
52 Emblem Books

With the advent of printing, 1440, and etching to make sturdy images, came the emblem books. Printers needed a market, and the unread populace weren't buying books. So they came up with the obvious solution: picture books, called emblem books. These involved simplistic images at first, but became much more ornate. The most expensive were hand-colored, most were black and white. They are very artistic, with the image attempting to communicate through symbols, much information about the picture.



You can find many beautiful colored emblems at <https://www.alchemywebsite.com/amclglr1.html>. I'll include a few here. Splendor Solis is probably the most beautiful.

[Slendor Solis.pdf \(3.79 mb\)](#)



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