

# THE LILIFER TAROT



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« Practice listening to your intuition, your inner voice; ask questions; be curious; see what you see; hear what you hear; and then act upon what you know to be true. These intuitive powers were given to your soul at birth. »

Clarissa Pinkola Estés, *Women Who Run With The Wolves: Myths and Stories of the Wild Woman Archetype*

## FOREWORD

The practice of Tarot is an inquiry into our innermost truth. When we lay cards on a table we create a portal. When we read the cards, we tap into various channels: our conscious, subconscious and unconscious minds, our higher self or highest potential, the wisdom of our past selves and the consciousness of the entire universe. The Tarot is akin to a road map. It does not matter which path we choose, for they all lead to one place: the experience of enlightenment.

The meaning we assign to the cards depends both on our ability to be an open channel as well as our lived experience. Our past, our wounds are filters through which we observe the world around us. Those same filters are activated during a tarot reading.

This is why, while Tarot is a system with a set of rules and symbols, we shall feel free to roam within it. These rules are here to guide us – not to limit us. Because we all have our sensibilities, there are as many ways to interpret the cards as there are readers.

We are bound to disagree because we are all different, with different stories, different scars. If there were but one truth, it would be this one: Love rules where Fear has been reclaimed as a part of us.

Our intentions may change as we grow into our full selves. These changes shall be honored. The wounds shall be tended to and loved deeply, because they remind us to seek wholeness, and to accept it as inherent to our being here, on this earth.

LILIFER is the bearer of the darkness we must face in order to know our light. It is the duality present in each of us, asking to be recognized.

LILIFER will never ask you to choose one over the other. You can be everything or none of it at all. My hope is that you'll remember how to be free, and that the love you are willing to give, will be returned in kind.

## INSTRUCTIONS

LILIFER was inspired by early tarot decks, the occult tradition and my own magical practice. It borrows the structure of the traditional Tarot de Marseille, therefore Justice is the 8<sup>th</sup> card while Strength is the 11<sup>th</sup> card.

Because I am also fond of the Waite-Smith Tarot, you will notice that the pip cards are evocative and seem to tell a story rather than relying solely on esoteric numerology, like in the Tarot de Marseille.

This hybrid of a deck was intended as a work of intuitive art and as such is highly subjective. It reflects

my own experience with the tarot as well as my belief system, with which you may disagree.

This booklet includes both upright and reversed meanings. You are welcome to disregard them if they disagree with your personal practice or values. Reading tarot is the process of choosing intuition over logic and translating fleeting sensations into tangible answers. For this reason, I chose not to elaborate on the meaning of each suit: instead I am giving you pointers & keywords to guide your own interpretations.

Please note that the Queen sits atop of each suit. This choice symbolizes a needed departure from the patriarchal organization of our society and is meant to invite a return to balance. You will notice that King and Queen resemble one another: in this deck, they are equals.

Following in this booklet is a list of symbols employed throughout the deck, along with their meanings and magical correspondences. These may serve as reference in ritual & magical workings of all kinds. The correspondences listed in this booklet are rooted in my own experience and heritage. Please use discernment and refer to your own tradition or school of thought if so guided.

# SYMBOLS

## THE FOUR ELEMENTS

AIR represents THE ANALYTICAL SELF

Virtues	Vices	Symbols	Colors
intelligence integration logic imagination justice fairness thought	thoughtlessness criticism judgment impulsiveness frivolousness	sword bird cloud feather butterfly	yellow white ice blue sky blue indigo violet

FIRE represents THE HEALING SELF

Virtues	Vices	Symbols	Colors
will creativity growth passion expansion life force strength success	pride selfishness jealousy anger hatred restlessness	flame lightning sun dragon lion salamander laurel wreath	red orange gold pink purple

## WATER represents THE PSYCHIC SELF

Virtues	Vices	Symbols	Colors
emotion wisdom imagination love connectedness harmony peace emotion birth	moodiness indifference depression instability melancholy	teardrop fish seaweed frog crab tide	blue turquoise silver grey sea-green aquamarine

## EARTH represents THE MAGICAL SELF

Virtues	Vices	Symbols	Colors
practicality skill endurance perseverance physical body memory protection instinct	stubbornness possessiveness greed anxiety laziness inflexibility	plant flower rock wolf mountain root	black brown green olive tan

## ELEMENTAL DIGNITIES

<u>Air</u>	<u>Fire</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Earth</u>
Active	Active	Passive	Passive

Cards of the same suit strengthen each other, meaning their properties are amplified. Cards of different suits either support or weaken each other depending on the forces at work. Contrary to what you may have learned, active and passive cards do not cancel each other out. Sometimes they even work well together.

To better understand these concepts, think of how the 4 elements interact with each other in nature and keep in mind that excess is often destructive.

	Balanced	In excess
Air	thoughtful, free, rational, intelligent	unstable, restless, misunderstood
Fire	strong, inspired, energetic, playful	stubborn, aggressive, destructive, impulsive
Water	fertile, safe, secure, blissful, intuitive	stagnant, emotional, insecure, dramatic
Earth	stable, patient, solid, trusting, grounded	rigid, unmovable, dull, bored

# THE ZODIAC

## ♈ ARIES (cardinal sign)

PLANET	Mars
ELEMENT	Fire
GIFTS	leadership, initiation, courage, willpower, vitality, spontaneity, potential
BODY	head, face, brain
HERBS	cayenne, ginger, nettle, basil, vetiver
STONES	bloodstone, hematite, fire agate

## ♉ TAURUS (fixed sign)

PLANET	Venus
ELEMENT	Earth
GIFTS	planning, stability, pleasure, discipline, grounding, resourcefulness, resolve
BODY	throat, neck, ears
HERBS	thyme, violet, bergamot, mint
STONES	malachite, emerald, red jasper

## ♊ GEMINI (mutable sign)

PLANET	Mercury
ELEMENT	Air
GIFTS	communication, performance, knowledge, playfulness, perception
BODY	shoulders, arms, lungs, hands
HERBS	peppermint, gingko, skullcap, anise
STONES	agate, chalcedony, sapphire

## ♋ CANCER (cardinal sign)

PLANET	Moon
ELEMENT	Water
GIFTS	emotional intelligence, intuition, closure, feeling at home in oneself, psychic gifts, fertility
BODY	chest, stomach
HERBS	aloe, juniper, jasmine, sage, bay
STONES	carnelian, silver, moonstone, calcite

♌ LEO (fixed sign)

PLANET	Sun
ELEMENT	Fire
GIFTS	power, confidence, courage, charisma, authority, public recognition, healthy pride
BODY	upper back, heart, spine
HERBS	ylang-ylang, black cohosh, marigold, lemon balm, sunflower, rosemary
STONES	garnet, sunstone, pyrite, onyx, gold

♍ VIRGO (mutable sign)

PLANET	Mercury
ELEMENT	Earth
GIFTS	intellectual matters, healing, discipline, practicality, discernment, logic, loyalty
BODY	abdomen, digestive organs
HERBS	marjoram, caraway, honeysuckle
STONES	blue topaz, sapphire, amazonite

## ♎ LIBRA (cardinal sign)

PLANET	Venus
ELEMENT	Air
GIFTS	justice, cooperation, diplomacy, emotional balance, gracefulness, peace, being present
BODY	kidneys, lower back
HERBS	burdock, bearberry, jasmine, melissa
STONES	jade, blue aventurine, chrysoprase

## ♏ SCORPIO (fixed sign)

PLANET	Pluto
ELEMENT	Water
GIFTS	sexual matters, power, psychic growth, secrets, sensuality, deep transformation
BODY	reproductive organs, genitals
HERBS	basil, wormwood, ginseng, patchouli
STONES	rose quartz, rhodocrosite, ruby, shungite, moonstone, labradorite

## ♐ SAGITTARIUS (mutable sign)

PLANET	Jupiter
ELEMENT	Fire
GIFTS	truth, leadership, honesty, depth, independence, philanthropy, gentleness, pedagogy
BODY	liver, thighs, hips
HERBS	peach, arnica, calendula, hyacinth
STONES	amber, turquoise, sodalite, topaz

## ♑ CAPRICORN (cardinal sign)

PLANET	Saturn
ELEMENT	Earth
GIFTS	ambition, self-preservation, trust, analysis, accountability, diligence
BODY	knees, bones, teeth, skin
HERBS	wintergreen, cedarwood, slippery elm, peppermint, caraway
STONES	hematite, chalcopyrite, fluorite

## ♒ AQUARIUS (fixed sign)

PLANET	Uranus
ELEMENT	Air
GIFTS	vision, freedom, knowledge, hope, inventiveness, eccentricity, intuition
BODY	calves, shins, ankles, blood, kidneys, bladder
HERBS	lavender, valerian, frankincense
STONES	angelite, silver, amethyst, sugilite

## ♓ PISCES (mutable sign)

PLANET	Neptune
ELEMENT	Water
GIFTS	clairvoyance, empathy, mysticism, idealism, adaptability, sensitivity, kindness
BODY	feet, lymph, glands
HERBS	Irish moss, angelica, rose, geranium
STONES	amethyst, aquamarine, jade, azurite

# PLANETARY SYMBOLS

☉	SUN	identity, personal expression, success, the conscious mind, day
☾	MOON	subconscious mind, creativity, emotions, dreams, mystery, night
☿	MERCURY	communication, travel, the social self, knowledge, exchanges
♀	VENUS	love, relationships, desire, beauty, harmony, fertility, compassion
♁	EARTH	grounding, balance, stability, oneness, human life, experience
♂	MARS	leadership, will, anger, action, determination, the physical self
♃	JUPITER	fortune, luck, expansion, career, confidence, authority, destiny
♄	SATURN	responsibility, duty, change, transformation, time, choices
♅	URANUS	originality, the creative self, individuality, the future, progress
♆	NEPTUNE	intuition, spirituality, psychic ability, confusion, prophecies
♇ ♇	PLUTO	renewal, rebirth, transformation, growth, a turning point

# SACRED PRINCIPLES

*For the sake of this book, please know that we are speaking here in metaphysical terms. The following archetypes are found in many spiritual traditions. While they are useful in understanding the forces at play both in and around us, they are by no means an absolute truth. By Feminine, we do not mean female. By Masculine, we do not mean male. Regardless of gender, assigned or chosen, we carry both feminine and masculine energies within us. These two aspects form a spectrum, of which they are not opposites but a perfect combination, an ever-evolving partnership in which we have a say.*

**THE FEMININE PRINCIPLE** is home to intuition, unconditional love, emotional fulfillment, nourishment, security, receptivity, fertility, connection, creativity, flexibility, empathy, tenderness, the experience of embodiment and manifestation, sensuality, inner strength, rebellion.

**SYMBOLS:** downward triangle, circle, water.

**THE MASCULINE PRINCIPLE** is home to force, logic, clarity, focus, direction, physical strength, the power of action, courage, pride, protection, stability, confidence, assertiveness, competitiveness, emotional intelligence, safety, peaceful control.

**SYMBOLS:** upward triangle, square, fire.

# SACRED COLORS

<b>RED</b>	power, passion, intensity, personal security, fiery love, sexuality
<b>ORANGE</b>	abundance, harmony, warmth, affection, sensuality, creativity
<b>YELLOW</b>	joy, optimism, idealism, hope, courage, confidence, personal power
<b>GREEN</b>	health, fertility, wealth, youth, renewal, good luck, money, security
<b>BLUE</b>	peace, truth, tranquility, trust, honesty, harmony, calm, communication
<b>PURPLE</b>	sacred wisdom, clarity, spiritual connection, intuition, high consciousness
<b>PINK</b>	kindness, friendship, gentleness, feminine strength, childlike spirit
<b>BROWN</b>	fertile ground, inner peace, organic matter, healing, centering, anchoring
<b>BLACK</b>	mystery, the unknown, the shadow, power, sexuality, secrecy, mourning
<b>WHITE</b>	spirit, innocence, purity, faith, peace, reverence, humility, the light body

## NUMEROLOGY BASICS

Two-digit numbers are interpreted by referring to the properties of each number in the sequence. For example, Sacred Number 12 holds the energies of both Sacred Number 1 and 2.

Another common practice for double digits is reducing them to a single digit. For example,  $12 = 1+2 = 3$ .

If you end up with a double digit, reduce again until you get a single digit. For example, Sacred Number 67 =  $6+7 = 13$ . You'll want to reduce again to  $1+3 = 4$ .

## NOTE ON NUMBERS

The numbers illustrated in the minor arcana are inspired by ancient Arabic numerals as they first appeared in Europe in 976 AD. Because I grew up in a thousand year-old medieval town, the imagery of the middle ages is close to my heart. This is a creative choice and a nod to my roots.

Our new edition includes modern numbers in addition to the ancient ones, to avoid any confusion.

# SACRED NUMBERS

0	potential, infinity, rebirth, possibility, reflection, opportunity, totality
1	the beginning, unity, action, the initial spark, a strong will, positivity, intention
2	duality, partnership, balance, relationship, cooperation, teamwork, equality, kindness, planning, choices
3	creativity, magic, intuition, self-expression, versatility, communication, enthusiasm
4	organization, logic, reason, home, grounding, solidity, calmness, stability
5	change, movement, travel, action, unpredictability, instability, raw instinct
6	love, family, unity, togetherness, reunion, sincerity, harmony, truth
7	wisdom, culture, knowledge, experience, esotericism, mystery, imagination, conscious thought, dreaming
8	manifestation, wealth, success, continuation, evolution, cycles, momentum
9	accomplishment, satisfaction, unfolding, strong ability, self-protection

0	o	٥	5
9	9	٩	4
8	8	٨	3
7	7	٧	2
6	6	٦	1

First appearance of Arabic numerals in the Codex Vigilanus, 10th century AD.


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 figures and the apparatus seem of Indian origin.  
 and the origin of the numerals is the same.

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# SACRED SYMBOLS

<b>CIRCLE</b> 	the feminine principle, the never-ending, protection, enlightenment, the womb, nourishment, mothering, perfection, the sun, the moon, Spirit
<b>TRIANGLE</b> 	summoning energy, opposites, things that come in threes, such as body/mind/spirit or past/present/future
<b>SQUARE</b> 	the masculine principle, the earth, the material realm, logic, stability, structure, equality, foundation, permanence, safety, order
<b>SPIRAL</b> 	evolution, expansion, connection, awareness, balance, altered states, the ancient & primordial
<b>STAR</b> 	hope, protection, warning, the five elements that make us: fire, water, air, earth & spirit
<b>SUN</b> 	life, strength, courage, influence, personal power, energy, clarity, will over fate, the masculine principle
<b>CRESCENT</b> 	the soul, the moon, the feminine principle, goddesses of the night
<b>CROSS</b> 	anchoring, balance, the four cardinal directions, the four physical elements

ARROW



movement, power, direction, travel,  
aspiration, strength,  
communication, the ability to soar

EYE



perception, inner knowledge, seeing  
the truth, judgment, intuition,  
clairvoyance, omniscience, the soul,  
intelligence, a moral compass

LEMNISCATE



constant evolution, eternity,  
development, balance, simplicity,  
finding peace amongst chaos, the  
middle, infinite possibilities

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eternity, infinity, the cycle of death  
and rebirth, completion, unification  
of opposites, regeneration

## SACRED CREATURES

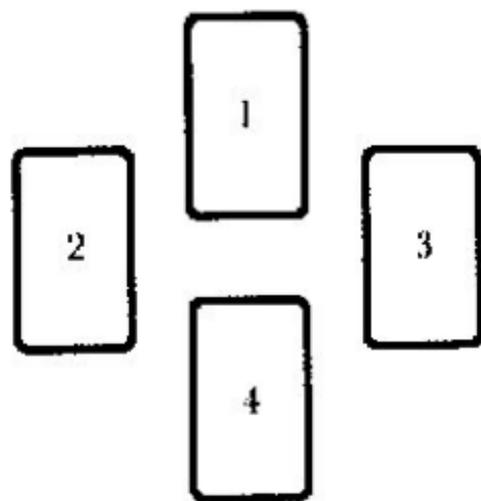
**DRAGON** belongs with the **FIRE** Element and brings forth his gifts of strength, courage and honesty. An ally to the Peaceful Warrior within, Dragon teaches that power is granted to those who surrender to vulnerability. When Dragon comes into your life, you are being invited to seize opportunities.

**FISH** belongs with the **WATER** Element and brings forth gifts of balance, peace and creativity. An ally to the Visionary within, Fish teaches that joy is available to those who seek to restore harmony within themselves. When Fish comes into your life, you are being invited to go with the flow.

**RAVEN** belongs with the **AIR** Element and brings forth gifts of intelligence, mystery and communication. An ally to the Wise One within, Raven teaches that clarity is granted when deep thought meets intuition. When Crow comes into your life, you are being invited to explore the unknown.

**WOLF** belongs with the **EARTH** Element and brings forth gifts of resourcefulness, love and protection. An ally to the Creator within, Wolf teaches that loyalty to one's true nature leads to the fulfillment of self. When Wolf comes into your life, you are being invited to trust yourself.

# TAROT SPREADS



## INNER WITCH Tarot Spread

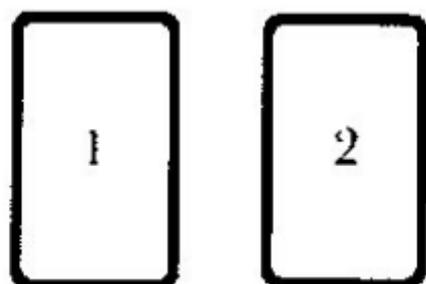
The word *witch* is used loosely here: to represent the inner fire that animates you. This spread will serve as a blueprint to keep yourself centered as you awaken to your spiritual gifts.

I - Passion: What makes you unique. A strength or a trait that sets you apart.

II - Vision: How to come into your power as a sensitive being

III - Expression: How to express your individuality as a human being

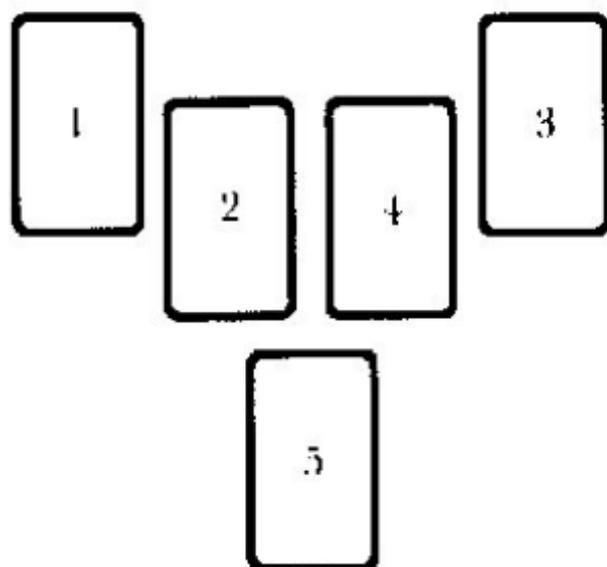
IV - Mission: Your spiritual purpose. Your inner calling -



### DO or DON'T Tarot Spread

A fun spread for quick decision-making.  
Please use discernment! This spread should  
be used in the spirit of playfulness and curiosity.

- I- what will happen if I do
- II- what will happen if I don't



## LIGHT OF THE ANCESTORS

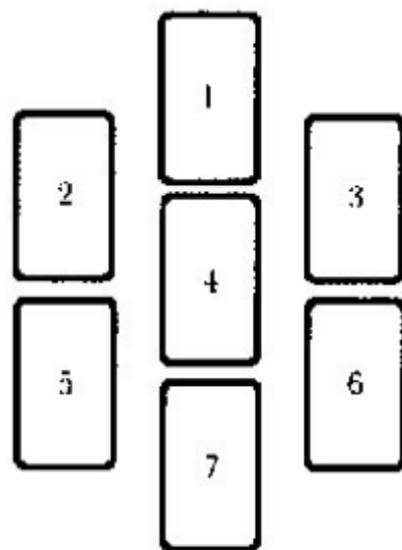
We come into this world carrying pain that belongs to our parents, grandparents and remote ancestors. This spread casts a light on inherited trauma and the wisdom of those who came before us.

### Inherited burden

- I- what trauma was passed on to me by birth
- II- how to heal the pain that runs in my blood

### Inherited gift

- III- what talent was passed on to me by birth
- IV- how to channel my gifts into meaningful action
- V- A wise message from those who came before me



### "HALLOWEEN" Year's End Tarot Spread

This spread was created with the spirit of Halloween in mind, but feel free to use it at the end of the astrological year (Spring Equinox) or at the end of a life cycle to check in with yourself and prepare for what's coming next.

I- DEATH What is coming to an end in my life. An aspect of myself I no longer align with.

II- TRICK Negative influences that keep getting in my way.

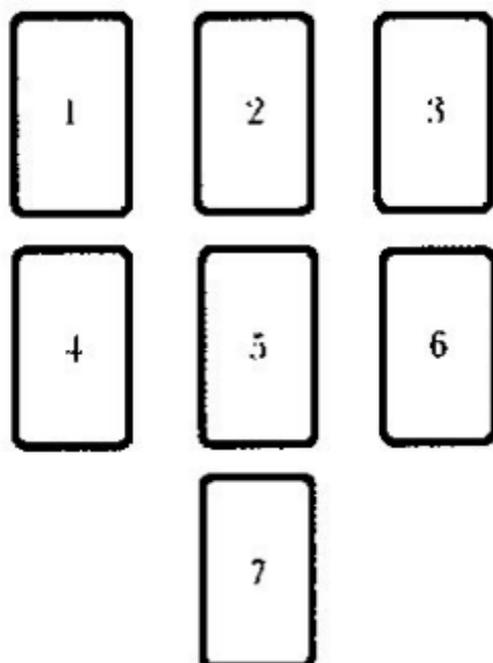
III- TREAT Positive influences. Blessings in disguise.

IV- CAT Your inner wisdom. The biggest lesson you've learned this year.

V- GHOST What is still haunting you. The sticky stuff and intrusive thoughts.

VI- SPIDER The road ahead. The life you are weaving for yourself.

VII- BAT The fear that remains.



## MEETING THE FEMININE & MASCULINE SELF

Lilifer calls for balance. This spread invites all parts of you to the table to restore balance within.

I- Which part of my feminine self am I expressing with ease?

II- Which part of my feminine self am I hiding away?

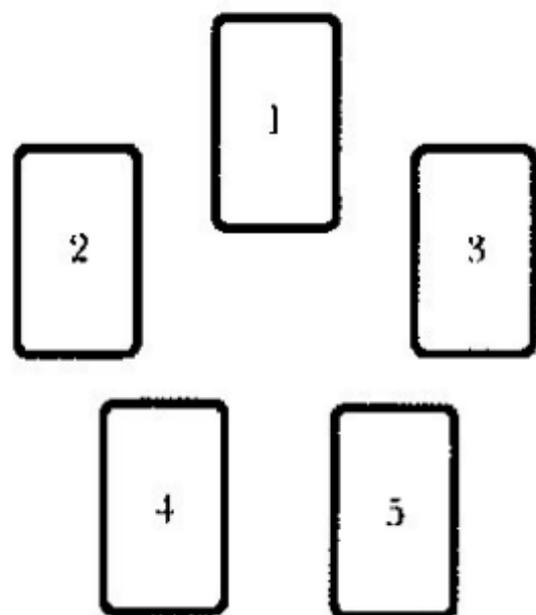
III- How does this imbalance play out in my life?

IV- Which part of my masculine self am I expressing with ease?

V- Which part of my masculine self am I hiding away?

VI- How does this imbalance play out in my life?

VII- What area of my life would benefit the most from embracing my hidden parts?



### CHANNELLING THE GUARDIANS

This spread can be used as a safe ritual to call upon your spirit guides, higher self or other positive influences such as ancestors, departed loved ones or animal spirits. Ground yourself, hear their message and keep harmful influences at bay. The best way to thank your guides is to act on their guidance.

- 1/ Grounding: how I'm feeling right now
- 2/ Shielding: protective energies currently active within myself.
- 3/ Calling: my true intention for this ritual. The reason why I'm asking for help.
- 4/ Hearing: message from my guardians. What I need to know.
- 5/ Giving thanks: how to best use this message and honor them.

THE  
MAJOR  
ARCANA





O  
THE FOOL

Element: Air Planet: Uranus

Stone: Agate, aventurine, tourmaline

Herbs: Cedar, geranium, peppermint

Affirmation: *With each day I am offered new choices.*

UPRIGHT: innocence, new beginnings, spontaneity, unconventionality, leap of faith, trust in the universe, the inventive self, choice, the realm of the possible, opportunity, potential.

REVERSED: recklessness, risk-taking, naiveté, obliviousness, extremes, perceived punishment, delaying choices, impulsivity, emotional instability.



I  
THE MAGICIAN

Element: Air Planet: Mercury  
Stone: Citrine, tiger's eye, fire opal  
Herbs: Rosemary, vanilla, marjoram

Affirmation: *I am one with the powers that created me.*

UPRIGHT: will, desire, persuasion, manifestation, resourcefulness, creative power, vision, inspiration, skill, originality, the power to convince, alertness of mind, the strength to overcome mental illness.

REVERSED: untapped gifts, unmet potential, creative block, lack of vision, insecurity, indecision, lack of willpower, mental imbalance or sickness.



II  
THE HIGH PRIESTESS

Element: Water Planet: Moon

Stone: Moonstone, pearl, labradorite

Herbs: Acacia, sandalwood, musk, almond, moonwort

Affirmation: *I surrender to the sacred knowledge  
nested within me.*

**UPRIGHT:** intuition, inner knowing, esoteric wisdom, talent, the emotional body, spiritual sensibility, reserve, discretion, sensible leadership, friendship.

**REVERSED:** secrets, quietness, female influence, withdrawal, subconscious, weakness, passiveness, intolerance, ignoring one's intuition.



III  
THE EMPRESS

Element: Earth Planet: Venus  
Stone: Peridot, emerald, rose quartz  
Herbs: Rose, corn, strawberry, clover  
Affirmation: *I give and I receive in perfect  
trust and harmony.*

UPRIGHT: beauty, nature, abundance, harmony, the inner artist, fertility, feminine energy, love, creation, sensuality, motherhood, good judgment, intelligence, friendliness, comfort, understanding, empathy, loyalty, the ability to receive.

REVERSED: creative block, dependence, vanity, presumption, lack of interest or strength, shallowness, resisting feelings of abundance or wealth, wounded femininity, difficulty allowing.

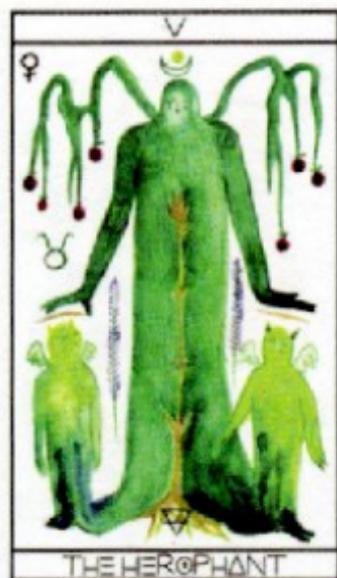


IV  
THE EMPEROR

Element: Fire Planet: Mars Zodiac: Aries  
Stone: Sapphire, ruby  
Herbs: Mahogany, oak, laurel, ginger  
Affirmation: *I am the sovereign mind and  
the steady hand.*

UPRIGHT: authority, leadership, divine masculine, fatherhood, order, structure, self-control, personal power, initiative, action, confidence, willpower, ambition, ability, firmness, the law.

REVERSED: domination, excess control, lack of discipline, inflexibility, misuse of power, immaturity, forcefulness, misogyny, wounded masculinity.



∇  
THE HIEROPHANT

Element: Earth Planet: Venus Zodiac: Taurus

Stone: Diamond, topaz, lapis lazuli

Herbs: Apple, lavender, sage

Affirmation: *I honor both the student and the teacher within me.*

UPRIGHT: spiritual wisdom, knowledge, clarity, religion, seeking guidance, conforming to tradition, inherited belief, the status quo, a teacher, morals, respect, benevolence, faith, tolerance.

REVERSED: personal belief, freedom, independence, questioning, a student, spiritual or political rigidity, inflexibility, anxiety, tension.



VI  
THE LOVERS

Element: Air Planet: Mercury Zodiac: Gemini  
Stone: Agate, chrysocolla

Herbs: Rose, garlic, ginseng, orchid

Affirmation: *I am the ruler of my mind. I choose in harmony  
with my personal truth.*

**UPRIGHT:** harmony, communication, love,  
relationships, alignment, freedom of choice, seeking  
wholeness, realization of aspirations, affection,  
emotional freedom, deep feelings, attraction.

**REVERSED:** misalignment, disharmony, indecision,  
resistance to commitment, dangerous temptation,  
disillusion, separation, suffering.



VI  
THE CHARIOT

Element: Water Planet: Moon Zodiac: Cancer  
Stone: Amber, pyrite, chalcedony  
Herbs: Iris, Saint John's wort, olive  
Affirmation: *I conquer with love and a trusting heart.*

**UPRIGHT:** force, diligence, triumph, success, moving forward, powering through, action, determination, honesty, self-control, balance of strength and moral, preparation, progress.

**REVERSED:** stubbornness, opposition, lack of direction, paralysis, obsession with control, failure, unlawful success or power, plotting against.

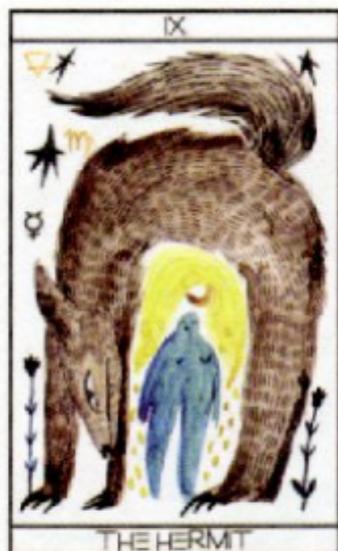


VIII  
JUSTICE

Element: Earth Planet: Venus Zodiac: Libra  
Stone: Carnelian, cat's eye, emerald  
Herbs: Violet, aloe, garlic, honeysuckle  
Affirmation: *I am fair to others and fair to myself.*

UPRIGHT: fairness, truth, goodness, balance, truth, logic, consequence, accountability, karma, justice, morality, impartial judgment, common-sense leading to good decisions, being considerate.

REVERSED: dishonesty, paying the price, lack of accountability, unjust accusations, betrayal, harmful criticism, intolerance.

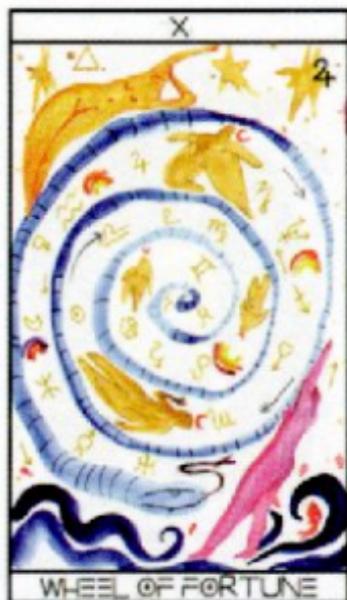


IX  
THE HERMIT

Element: Earth Planet: Earth Zodiac: Virgo  
Stone: Smoky quartz, peridot  
Herbs: Sage, chamomile, angelica  
Affirmation: *Courage is walking towards the unknown.*

**UPRIGHT:** withdrawal, discretion, inner wisdom, prudence, introspection, solitude, silent observation, deep thought, spiritual workings, clarity, discernment.

**REVERSED:** isolation, loneliness, distance, imprudence, immaturity, unsociability.



X  
THE WHEEL OF FORTUNE

Element: Fire Planet: Jupiter  
Stone: Opal, aventurine, amethyst  
Herbs: Daisy, clover, jasmine, poplar  
Affirmation: *I trust the flow of life to take me  
where I need to be.*

**UPRIGHT:** good luck, cycles, destiny, embracing change, a new chapter, synchronicity, timing, a turning point, fortune, good luck fruitful endeavors, winning, progress, seized opportunity.

**REVERSED:** resisting change, being out of alignment, self-limitation, negligence, lack of judgment, risk-taking, hesitation, anxiety.



XI  
STRENGTH

Element: Fire Planet: Sun Zodiac: Leo

Stone: Cat's eye, chrysolite, jasper

Herbs: Sunflower, cacao, thyme, cayenne

Affirmation: *True strength lies in  
the kindness of my heart.*

**UPRIGHT:** courage, discipline, heart, compassion, influence, inner strength, bravery, choosing intelligence over impulsiveness, moving forward with confidence.

**REVERSED:** self-doubt, low energy, raw emotion, forcefulness, insensitivity, helplessness, choosing violence.



XII  
THE HANGED MAN

Element: Water Planet: Neptune  
Stone: Kyanite, lapis, aquamarine

Herbs: Grape, ivy, lotus, kelp

Affirmation: *I welcome new perspectives with an open mind.*

UPRIGHT: perspective, a change in point of view, letting go, surrendering control, self-sacrifice, rebirth, pause, regeneration, releasing expectations.

REVERSED: delays, limbo, resistance, denial, not seeing the truth, self-betrayal, martyrdom, feeling disempowered.



XIII  
DEATH

Element: Water Planet: Pluto, Mars Zodiac: Scorpio

Stone: Apache tear, obsidian, bloodstone

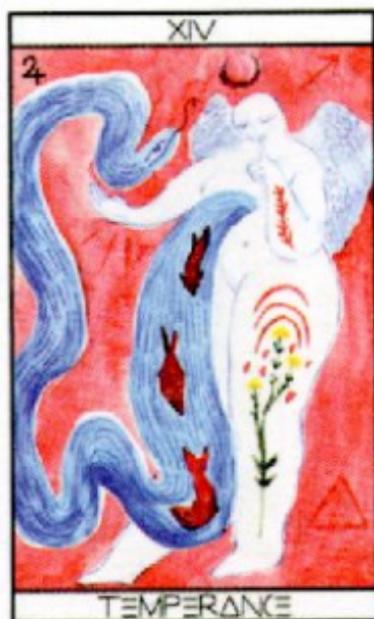
Herbs: Blackberry, cactus, aspen

Affirmation: *I shed what I've outgrown.*

*I let go without fear of losing my self.*

UPRIGHT: change, endings, purging, fundamental transformation, broken partnerships, transition, psychic gifts, immortality, renouncing material things, sudden change, completion.

REVERSED: resisting change, secrets, paralyzing fear of the unknown, pessimism, depression, difficulty manifesting desires.



XIV  
TEMPERANCE

Element: Fire Planet: Jupiter Zodiac: Sagittarius  
Stone: Rainbow quartz, amethyst, kunzite  
Herbs: Valerian, dandelion, foxglove, echinacea  
Affirmation: *I restore harmony within my mind  
and my body.*

**UPRIGHT:** patience, moderation, heart-mind balance,  
purpose, calm, healing energy, carefulness,  
adaptability, self-care, cooperation, tranquility.

**REVERSED:** re-alignment after excess, self-healing,  
mental illness, worry, restlessness, feeling unsettled.



XV  
THE DEVIL

Element: Earth Planet: Saturn Zodiac: Capricorn  
Stone: Black onyx, jet, hematite

Herbs: Mugwort, carnation, rosemary, fig

Affirmation: *I break free from the illusions and limitations  
placed upon me by a fearful ego.*

UPRIGHT: the shadow, attachment, ego, facing fears, bad intentions, restriction, feeling stuck, trapped emotions, inhibition, need for prudence, disordered thinking, craving power over others, misalignment with self.

REVERSED: release, shadow work, detachment, accepting duality, spiritual awakenings, opening up to healing, recovery.



XVI  
THE TOWER

Element: Fire Planet: Mars

Stone: Ruby, lodestone, garnet

Herbs: Heather, yarrow, tobacco

Affirmation: *I revel in the revelations. I welcome a new paradigm.*

**UPRIGHT:** the unexpected, sudden change, upheaval, enlightenment, overwhelm, chaos, revelation, feelings of desolation or misery, confronting the truth, need to release old beliefs about oneself to welcome change.

**REVERSED:** fear of change, fear of the truth, averting disaster, confusion, experiencing the consequences of misguided decisions, complications.



XVII  
THE STAR

Element: water Planet: Uranus Zodiac: Aquarius

Stone: Turquoise, clear quartz

Herbs: Jasmine, bluebell, skullcap

Affirmation: *Hope is the way to the fulfillment of my dreams.*

UPRIGHT: hope, faith, purpose, ideas over theory, renewal, spirituality, the unconventional self, freedom, expression, peace, aspiration, optimism, the astral body, clarity, inspiration, healthy idealism, good astrological influences, kindness, beauty, sensitivity.

REVERSED: lack of faith, distrust, disconnection, need to break bad habits, unfulfilled wishes, disenchantment.



XVIII  
THE MOON

Element: Water Planet: Neptune, Jupiter  
Zodiac: Pisces Stone: Moonstone, selenite, pearl  
Herbs: Sandalwood, opium, nettle, eucalyptus  
Affirmation: *I am aware of my fears.*  
*I am willing to face the darkness.*

**UPRIGHT:** seeing through illusion, the feminine self, the unconscious, emotion, intuition, meditation, release, hidden truths, deception, darkness, confusion, nostalgia.

**REVERSED:** repressed emotions, fear, secrecy, mental confusion, resisting the shadow self, denial.



XIX  
THE SUN

Element: Fire Planet: Sun

Stone: Sunstone, amber, tiger's eye

Herbs: Sunflower, chamomile, marigold, angelica

Affirmation: *Joy abounds when I follow my heart  
and speak my truth.*

UPRIGHT: warmth, joy, vitality, fun, confidence,  
inner child healing, positivity, happiness, success,  
pleasure, integration, artistic achievements, respect,  
altruism, inspiring others.

REVERSED: inner child pain, feeling down, excess  
positivity, denial, vanity, delusion, feeling  
misunderstood, delays, obstacles.



XX  
JUDGMENT

Element: Fire Planet: Pluto  
Stone: Hematite, malachite, fire opal  
Herbs: Violet, poppy, marigold

*Affirmation: I am thankful for the road traveled and the lessons learned along the way.*

**UPRIGHT:** transformation, awakening, re-evaluation, accountability, forgiveness, rebirth, inner calling, liberation, the cycle of life, renewal, a renewed sense of purpose.

**REVERSED:** self-doubt, inner critic, ignoring intuition, indecisiveness, a clouded mind.



XXI  
THE WORLD

Element: Earth Planet: Saturn

Stone: Lapis lazuli, onyx Herbs: Rose, bay laurel, ivy

Affirmation: *I come home to myself.*

UPRIGHT: fulfillment, oneness, realization of self, travel, completion, accomplishment, reward, integration, successful results, satisfaction, desired outcome, physical & mental strength, good health.

REVERSED: delays, inner journey, feelings of rejection, hostile environment, unfinished business.

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THE  
MINOR  
ARCANÆ



## SUIT OF WANDS

WANDS stand for work, passion, action, enterprise, creativity, progress, vigorousness, willpower, inventiveness.

Element: Fire

### ACE OF WANDS

**UPRIGHT:** creativity, willpower, desire, inspiration, courage, positivity, a new venture, intelligence, productivity.

**REVERSED:** lack of energy or passion, boredom, missed opportunity, delay, fall, miscommunication, unrealized hope.



### TWO OF WANDS



**UPRIGHT:** making plans or decisions, leaving home, new ideas, movement, productivity due to collaboration, success after struggles, being aware of competition.

**REVERSED:** playing safe, fear of change, inner conflict, poor planning, indifference, listlessness, unexpected news.

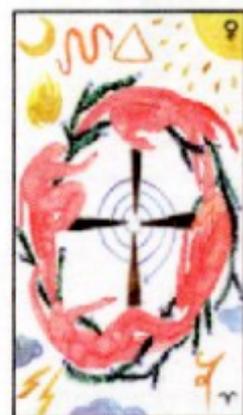
## THREE OF WANDS

**UPRIGHT:** happiness, looking ahead, expansion, gratitude, rapid growth, activity, audacity, first signs of success, positive cooperation, reconciliation.

**REVERSED:** obstacles, frustration, delays, selfishness, unwillingness to cooperate with others, excess individuality.



## FOUR OF WANDS



**UPRIGHT:** home, community, family, peace, celebration, harmony, good friendships, prosperity, solutions, rewarded efforts.

**REVERSED:** lack of support, delays, conflicts at home, transience, disharmony, insecurity, pride, struggle.

## FIVE OF WANDS

**UPRIGHT:** rivalry, conflict, use of force, competition, arguing, obstacles, hard work.

**REVERSED:** avoiding conflict, bitter competition, sick ambitions, respecting differences, irritation, pride.



## SIX OF WANDS



**UPRIGHT:** victory, public recognition, good news, success, reward, progress made.

**REVERSED:** excess pride, fall from grace, lack of recognition, punishment.

## SEVEN OF WANDS

**UPRIGHT:** perseverance, victory, hope, maintaining control, defensiveness, good results, productivity, inventiveness.

**REVERSED:** loss of confidence, giving up, overwhelm, competition, threat, doubt, anxiety, challenged willpower.



## EIGHT OF WANDS



**UPRIGHT:** rapid action, movement, blocks lifted, swift decisions, travel, communication, thoughtfulness, thriving.

**REVERSED:** uncertainty, panic, doubt, waiting, slowdown, frustration, set-backs, miscommunication, disharmony.

## NINE OF WANDS

**UPRIGHT:** resilience, holding on to achievements, recognition, strength, grit, delimitation, last stand, prudence due to past experiences, enemies lying in wait.

**REVERSED:** resistance, exhaustion, questioning motivations, reluctance, close-mindedness, loss of energy, a set-back, moving ahead slowly.



## TEN OF WANDS



**UPRIGHT:** important accomplishment, milestone, burden, responsibility, taking on too much, lack of perspective.

**REVERSED:** inability to delegate, burn out, pressure, stress, overwhelm.

## PAGE OF WANDS

**UPRIGHT:** excitement, exploration, growth, adventure, freedom, chance, adolescence, poor use of faculties due to lack of experience.

**REVERSED:** confusion, lack of direction, procrastination, miscommunication, creating conflict.



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**UPRIGHT:** action, carrying out plans, fearlessness, passion, self-confidence, adventure, a journey into the unknown.

**REVERSED:** impulsiveness, anger, starting arguments, recklessness, unexpected change.

## KING OF WANDS

**UPRIGHT:** leadership, seeing the big picture, overcoming challenges, security, warmth, vision, strength, a talented person, wisdom, responsibility, a true friend.

**REVERSED:** impulsiveness, unrealistic expectations, pride, arrogance, narcissism, a vicious person.



## QUEEN OF WANDS



**UPRIGHT:** courage, confidence, healthy pride, determination, joy, selflessness, gentle strength, a charming person, an artistic and ambitious personality.

**REVERSED:** selfishness, jealousy, insecurity, aggressiveness, envy, unfaithfulness.

# SUIT OF CUPS

CUPS stand for The Psychic Self, happiness, joy, friendship, love, passion, deep feelings, sensitivity, goodness, receptiveness, education, relationships.

Element: Water

## ACE OF CUPS

**UPRIGHT:** new feelings, intuition, joy, conception, renewal in relationships, celebration, happiness, creative spark, kindness, fertility, abundance.

**REVERSED:** emptiness, creative block, sadness, emotional pain, repressed feelings, bad news, unrequited love, instability.



## TWO OF CUPS



**UPRIGHT:** unity, love, partnership, mutual attraction, compatibility, balance, connection, harmonious exchanges, friendship, empathy, good intentions.

**REVERSED:** imbalance, disconnection, separation, disharmonious relationships, false friends, jealousy, separation.

### THREE OF CUPS

**UPRIGHT:** celebration, sociability, community, friendship, joy, togetherness, reunions, success.

**REVERSED:** isolation, loneliness, excess, cancellations, broken promises, gossip, set-backs, over-indulgence.



### FOUR OF CUPS



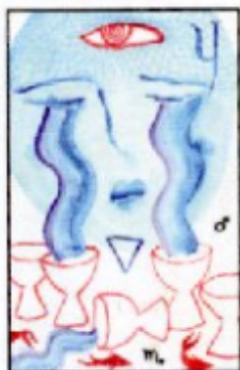
**UPRIGHT:** regret, negativity, boredom, remorse, stagnation, disillusion, suffering, melancholy, saying no, disconnection.

**REVERSED:** letting go, enthusiasm, interest, return to clarity, acceptance, a new turn of events, a pleasant environment.

### FIVE OF CUPS

**UPRIGHT:** grief, loss, sadness, loneliness, heartbreak, mourning, abandonment, guilt, trauma, emotional suffering, being in the wrong company, disputes.

**REVERSED:** moving on, acceptance, healing, overcoming, releasing, forgiveness, peace, reconnecting.



## SIX OF CUPS



**UPRIGHT:** memories, past mistakes and experiences, healing family wounds, needing closure, comfort, nostalgia, looking back to find peace.

**REVERSED:** being stuck in the past or idealizing it, need for independence, focus on the future, regeneration, leaving home.

## SEVEN OF CUPS

**UPRIGHT:** opportunity, illusion, indecision, daydreaming, procrastination, wishful thinking.

**REVERSED:** avoidance, feeling trapped, missed opportunity, sobriety, clarity, revelations, awakenings, determination.



## EIGHT OF CUPS



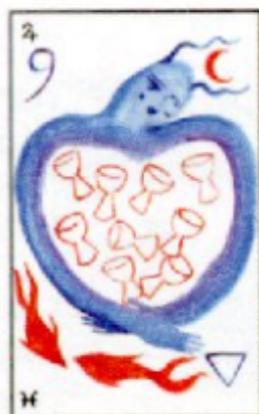
**UPRIGHT:** transition, walking away, letting go, abandonment, soul-searching, withdrawal, knowing when it's time to go.

**REVERSED:** stagnation, avoidance, fear of change or commitment, low self-esteem, staying in a bad situation.

## NINE OF CUPS

**UPRIGHT:** fulfillment of wishes, pleasure, contentment, abundance, satisfaction, emotional wealth, good self-esteem, celebration, sensuality.

**REVERSED:** disappointment, lack of accomplishment, unhappiness, low self-esteem, arrogance, pessimism, unstable sense of self.



## TEN OF CUPS



**UPRIGHT:** happiness at home, relationship bliss, family, stability, security, harmony, blessings, well-being, joyful reunions.

**REVERSED:** disharmony, family drama, dysfunctional relationships, separation, loss, family secrets, neglect, abuse, conflict.

## PAGE OF CUPS

**UPRIGHT:** happy news, emotional growth, youthfulness, new romance, relationship renewals or proposals, messages from the inner child, sensitivity, idealism.

**REVERSED:** childhood pain, bad news, immaturity, emotional wounds, childishness, jealousy, obsession.



## KNIGHT OF CUPS



**UPRIGHT:** following the heart, being daring, showing affection or kindness, creativity, imagination, peace-making, artistic personality, psychic gifts.

**REVERSED:** deception, disappointment, manipulation, moodiness, avoiding conflict, creative block, hindered intuition.

## KING OF CUPS

**UPRIGHT:** emotional maturity, compassion, balanced masculinity, faithfulness, tolerance, diplomacy, fatherhood, a kind heart.

**REVERSED:** emotional immaturity, anxious mind, coldness, depression, controlling personality, manipulation, ruthlessness.



## QUEEN OF CUPS



**UPRIGHT:** balanced femininity, warmth, sensitivity, intuition, faithfulness, beauty, psychic gifts, empathy, creativity, healing faculties, security, a good listener.

**REVERSED:** insecurity, frivolousness, selfishness, a smothering presence, lack of trust, creative block, neediness.

# SUIT OF SWORDS

**SWORDS** stand for The Creative Self, change, intellect, thought, ideas, mind over matter, authority, strength, bravery.

Element: Air

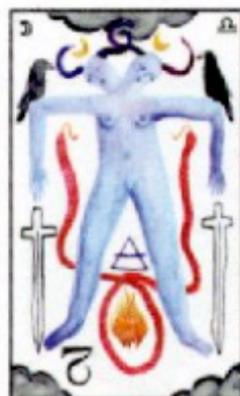
## ACE OF SWORDS

**UPRIGHT:** new ideas, mental clarity, focus, breakthroughs, intelligence, justice, new projects, assertiveness, good decision-making, communication, vision.

**REVERSED:** confusion, injustice, lack of confidence, bad decisions, misinformation miscommunication, arguments, injustice.



## TWO OF SWORDS



**UPRIGHT:** difficult decisions, stalemate, feeling torn, denial, avoidance, emotional blocks, opposition, lack of clarity, stress.

**REVERSED:** indecision, worry, holding onto fear, being overly cautious, resentment, mental-emotional overwhelm.

## THREE OF SWORDS

**UPRIGHT:** grief, sadness, betrayal, sorrow, loneliness, depression, heartache, disillusion, trauma, upheaval, tears.

**REVERSED:** recovery, overcoming grief, releasing emotional pain, needing to let go, optimism by way of forgiveness.



## FOUR OF SWORDS



**UPRIGHT:** worry, meditation, recuperation, self-protection, faith, planning, seeking solitude, introspection, needing to rest.

**REVERSED:** recovery, breaking solitude, restlessness, burnout, lack of faith in self, mental awakening, need for self-care.

## FIVE OF SWORDS

**UPRIGHT:** self-sacrifice, mental obstacles, self-sabotage, defeat, intimidation, hostility, deception, stress, lack of communication.

**REVERSED:** resolution, return to peace, ending conflicts, surrender, remorse, accountability, taking responsibility.



## SIX OF SWORDS



**UPRIGHT:** moving forward after a struggle, calm after the storm, journey, escape, relief, following guidance, stability.

**REVERSED:** slow progress, instability, disrupted journey, omen of challenges ahead, delays, feeling stuck.

## SEVEN OF SWORDS

**UPRIGHT:** deceit, risk-taking, false friends, adaptability, cunning, manipulation, cheating, scheming, lack of conscience.

**REVERSED:** return to conscience, malice, confessions, ignoring signals, cowardice, avoiding consequences.



## EIGHT OF SWORDS



**UPRIGHT:** restriction, powerlessness, fear, mental struggles, hopelessness, anxiety, victimization, feeling paralyzed.

**REVERSED:** releasing fear, return to freedom, self-empowerment, surrender, facing the truth, survivor mentality, resiliency.

## NINE OF SWORDS

**UPRIGHT:** giving in to fear, paralyzing anxiety, guilt, shame, inability to cope, remorse, self-fulfilling prophecies.

**REVERSED:** improvement, chance of recovery, facing reality, welcoming help, excess guilt or shame, self-loathing.



## TEN OF SWORDS



**UPRIGHT:** betrayal, exhaustion, collapse, feeling like a failure, martyrdom, violence toward self, backstabbing behavior.

**REVERSED:** rising above, overcoming struggles, learning from the past.

## PAGE OF SWORDS

**UPRIGHT:** need for patience or carefulness, curiosity, truthfulness in communications, speaking out, restoring fairness.

**REVERSED:** defensiveness, lack of clarity, sarcasm, negativity, being distracted, mental agitation.





## KNIGHT OF SWORDS

**UPRIGHT:** seizing opportunity, assertiveness, courage, rebellion, ambition, leadership.

**REVERSED:** missed opportunity, arrogance, aggressiveness, forcefulness, impatience, inferiority complex.

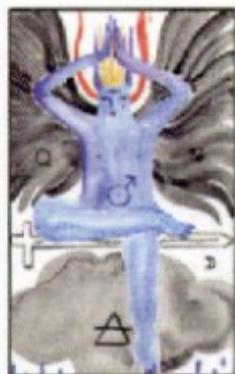
## KING OF SWORDS

**UPRIGHT:** logic, rationality, self-discipline, inner strength, honesty, integrity, good judgment, fairness, intelligence.

**REVERSED:** irrationality, excess control, cynicism, judgmental attitude, coldness, obsession with power, patriarchy.



## QUEEN OF SWORDS



**UPRIGHT:** protection of self and others, mental strength, open-mindedness, wit, independence, discernment, honesty, matriarchy.

**REVERSED:** lack of empathy, criticism, difficulty forgiving, spite, repressed trauma, pessimism, bitterness, cruelty.

# SUIT OF PENTACLES

**PENTACLES** stand for The Magical Self, materiality, the physical realm, financial matters, transition, manifestation, the 3<sup>rd</sup> dimension.

Element: Earth

## ACE OF PENTACLES

**UPRIGHT:** new opportunity, feelings of security or stability, faith in the abundant self, manifestation gifts, savings.

**REVERSED:** missing opportunities, scarcity, poor finances, insecurity, excess spending or fear of spending, money trauma.



## TWO OF PENTACLES



**UPRIGHT:** seeking balance, partnerships, transactions, resourcefulness, adaptability, financial decisions.

**REVERSED:** physical imbalance, lack of planning, overwhelm, loss, confusion.

## THREE OF PENTACLES



**UPRIGHT:** learning new skills, collaboration, teamwork, commitment, building up, determination, effort.

**REVERSED:** apathy, lack of motivation or commitment, not learning from mistakes, refusing help.

## FOUR OF PENTACLES

**UPRIGHT:** possessiveness, control, greed, savings, materialism, hoarding, deep feelings of scarcity, isolation

**REVERSED:** letting go, sharing, generosity, making room for the new, openness.



## FIVE OF PENTACLES



**UPRIGHT:** hardship, lack mentality, material struggles, adversity, poor health, loss, feeling isolated.

**REVERSED:** return to security, better health, forgiveness, letting go of harmful behaviors, positive change.

## SIX OF PENTACLES

**UPRIGHT:** generosity, charity, supporting others, feelings of prosperity or wealth, control over one's reality, gratitude, trust, equality, reward, fairness.

**REVERSED:** abuse of power, inequality, being or feeling undervalued.



## SEVEN OF PENTACLES



**UPRIGHT:** efforts paying off, harvest, reward, profit, nurturing, patience, manifestation, first evidence of success.

**REVERSED:** procrastination, doubting self, poor management, setbacks, impatience, change of plans, laziness, aimlessness.

## EIGHT OF PENTACLES

**UPRIGHT:** building success, commitment, seeing things through, achieving security, productivity, results, ambition, dedication.

**REVERSED:** difficulty concentrating on goals, boredom, materialism, insecurity, failure, lack of ambition.



NINE OF  
PENTACLES



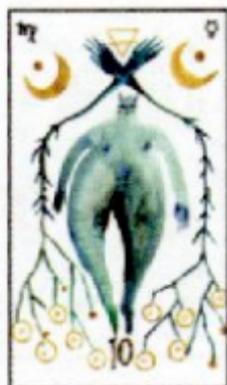
**UPRIGHT:** achieving stability, prosperity, abundance, maturity, independence, thriving, freedom, security, beauty.

**REVERSED:** self-doubt, recklessness, overworking self, insecurity, over-indulgence, superficiality, dishonesty.

TEN OF PENTACLES

**UPRIGHT:** profound security, domestic bliss, inheritance, ancestry, taking responsibility at home or at work, good values.

**REVERSED:** unstable foundation, family issues, conflicts about finances, loss.



PAGE OF PENTACLES



**UPRIGHT:** promising beginnings, ambitious personality, seizing opportunity, faith, excitement, curiosity, consistency, health.

**REVERSED:** uncertainty, irresponsibility, foolishness, frustration, immaturity.

## KNIGHT OF PENTACLES

**UPRIGHT:** practicality, enjoying work, patience, persistence, responsibility.

**REVERSED:** impatience, unreliability, lack of common sense, obsession, stubbornness, boredom, not finishing projects.



## KING OF PENTACLES



**UPRIGHT:** maturity, grounded masculinity, security, stability, success, reaching goals, being dependable, providing confidently.

**REVERSED:** immaturity, materialism, unfaithfulness, corruption, greed, disloyalty, being unsupportive.

## QUEEN OF PENTACLES

**UPRIGHT:** grounded femininity, generosity, loyalty, independence, practicality, sensibility, kindness, mothering, nurturing.

**REVERSED:** jealousy, envy, shallowness, lack of commitment, neglect, meanness, being stuck, lack of inventiveness.





