



Jim Henson's
LABYRINTH

TAROT DECK AND
GUIDEBOOK

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FOREWORD

BY BRIAN FROUD

Labyrinth the movie was born in the back of a limousine. Jim Henson, Wendy Froud, and I were driving away from the San Francisco premiere of *The Dark Crystal* when we looked at one another and said, "What's next?" At first, our minds soared with images of flying mythological gods, but we soon descended to more earthbound, inner-world realms, and the vision of a human baby surrounded by fantastical goblin creatures emerged. We agreed that a labyrinth would serve not only as the physical location to anchor our developing story, but as a perfect metaphor for the human psyche's journey through the convoluted pathways of a cosmic world of mystical revelations. Well—that was the plan! Luckily, humor and a great sense of mischievous fun were added to the mix, resulting in *Labyrinth*.

As I started to design the characters Sarah would encounter, I was aware that not only did they have to have the physical ability to express story, but they also needed to hold in their forms signs and symbols evoking an inner psychic world. As each character reveals its secret to Sarah, she is given an insight into herself and the skills she'll need to negotiate a complex and mystifying realm. There

is a shimmer of *Alice in Wonderland* laid over the surface of *Labyrinth*, but Sarah's journey is profound on many levels and takes the viewer on their own personal journey as well.

This is also what the *Labyrinth Tarot Deck and Guidebook* does: leads the questioner on a personal pathway through the Labyrinth and all the revelations—both expected and unexpected—that reside within.

Jim Henson was a brilliant world builder. He created mindscapes that are deep and multifaceted, that live forever in our minds and hearts. It is no accident that the characters of *Labyrinth* inhabit the same dynamic as tarot. Once they are liberated from the timeline of the movie's story, they are free to open the secret doors that reveal the meanings and connections of a magical universe.

The genius of Tomás Hijo's cards is that they are rooted in the tradition of the Rider-Waite deck, yet they feel like they've been crafted by the goblins themselves—stained with the spirit of wry wisdom and incised with mordant humor! In this deck, the turn of a card is a turn in the Labyrinth, where quirky characters are wise and perceptive, as well as deceptive and at times frustrating, but above all, suffused with the benign anarchy of Jim Henson's unique vision. So—turn over a card and step onto the path—the Labyrinth awaits you.

INTRODUCTION

Are you ready for a magical adventure? It's time to make your way through the Labyrinth to discover the strange and arcane secrets of tarot card reading. The *Labyrinth Tarot Deck and Guidebook*, inspired by Jim Henson's iconic 1986 film, will open your eyes to new perspectives—after all, things aren't always what they seem in the land of the Goblin King. Tarot may seem like a deck of cards, nothing more—but if you use it with intent, it will give you incredible insight into any predicament.

While many people think of tarot reading as a mysterious divinatory art used to predict the future, its benefits go far beyond that. Used properly, tarot can serve as a powerful tool for self-reflection and can offer deep insight into any situation or difficulty you might be experiencing. Though tarot reading can suggest possible outcomes and future events, remember that the power to change the future lies in your hands. Tarot is best at giving you situational warnings and advice to help you make mindful choices while navigating the twists and turns of your personal labyrinth.

The *Labyrinth Tarot Deck and Guidebook* is filled with key themes, iconic moments, and beloved characters from *Labyrinth*, thoughtfully chosen to

illustrate the archetypal meanings of the original cards. Ludo, Sarah, Hoggle, and even the Goblin King himself are all here, as are a few less well known characters from Brian Froud and Terry Jones's delightful book *The Goblins of Labyrinth*, which is itself a deeper exploration of the many unique and fantastical creatures inhabiting Goblin City. To help you on your journey, this guidebook explains both the upright and reversed versions of each card, and the final chapter includes several spreads for conducting easy readings.

ARE YOU READY TO
ENTER THE LABYRINTH?
LET'S GO . . .



UNDERSTANDING YOUR TAROT DECK

Learning to read tarot can seem intimidating at first, but it's really quite easy when you get the hang of it. There are seventy-eight tarot cards in a deck, and each one has a different meaning depending on whether it's drawn upright or reversed. The first twenty-two cards are called the Major Arcana. They represent important themes and major life lessons with lasting impact. Numbered zero through XXI, they chronologically tell the story of the Fool (the first card in the Major Arcana), a figure who takes an exciting and sometimes harrowing journey that ultimately leads to enlightenment and fulfillment. In the *Labyrinth Tarot Deck and Guidebook*, the journey of the Major Arcana is representative of Sarah's adventure through the Labyrinth. She takes the Fool's traditional place as card number zero.

The rest of the tarot cards in the deck are called the Minor Arcana. Representing everyday situations and themes with short-term effects, the fifty-six Minor Arcana cards are sorted into four suits. In the *Labyrinth Tarot Deck and Guidebook*, the four suits are Poles, Junk, Feathers, and Pots, which represent the traditional tarot suits of Wands,

Pentacles, Swords, and Cups, respectively.

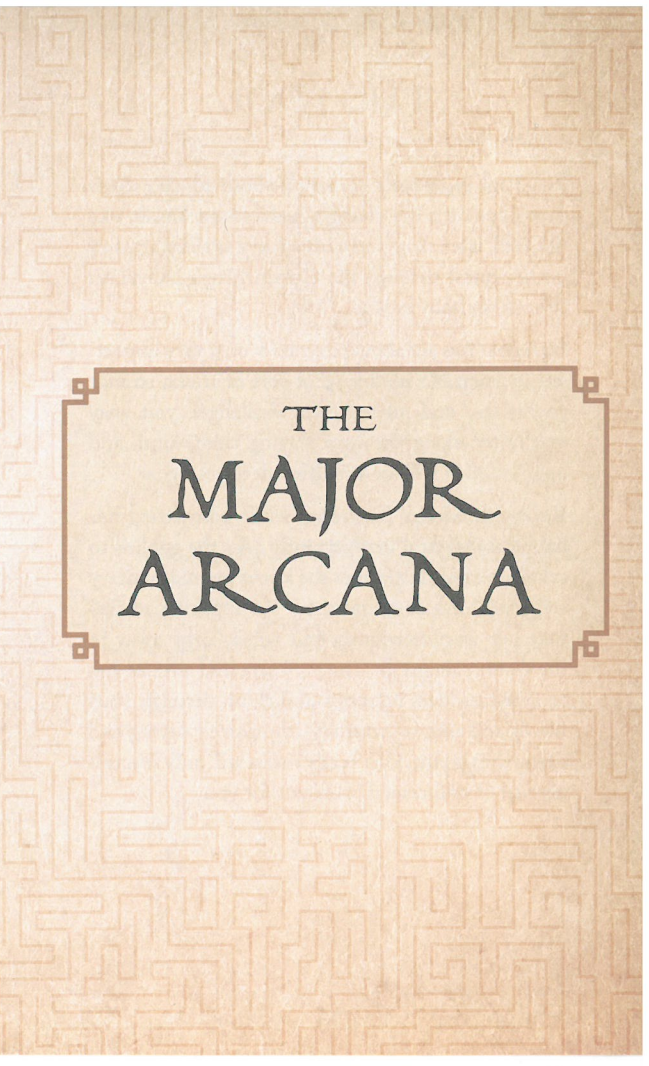
The Suit of Poles is associated with new ideas, creativity, inspiration, and ambition. It corresponds to the element of fire.

The Suit of Junk is associated with aspects of the material world and our relationship to finances, careers, property, home, and the ego. It corresponds to the element of earth.

The Suit of Feathers refers to the mind, intellect, action, power, judgment, and personal beliefs. It corresponds to the element of air.

The Suit of Pots deals with emotions, personal connections with family or friends, and romantic relationships. It corresponds to the element of water.

Each of these suits contains four court cards: the King, Queen, Knight, and Page. They symbolize personality types, behavior patterns, and sometimes, actual people in your life. The remaining cards are numbered I (Ace) to X.



THE
MAJOR
ARCANA



THE FOOL.

THE FOOL

The Fool represents someone about to take their first steps on a life-changing adventure. Sarah, like the Fool, is trusting and a little naive as she starts out on her quest through the Goblin King's Labyrinth to save her baby brother, Toby.

Upright: You are about to embark on a very important journey. No matter what sort of tricks, strange characters, and unexpected challenges you may encounter along the way, staying calm, kind, and open-minded will see you through to your goal.

Reversed: Sarah's frustrated while babysitting her baby brother and inadvertently asks the goblins to take him away. Little does she know, her momentary selfishness has consequences: The listening goblins take her words seriously and whisk Toby away to the Goblin Kingdom. The Fool reversed advises you to avoid reckless behavior and think through your words and actions carefully. Impulsively saying and doing things you don't really mean will only create a myriad of unforeseen problems for you.



THE MAGICIAN.

THE MAGICIAN

Like the Goblin King himself, the Magician is a mysterious conjurer, confident in his skill and power. His fierce ambition pushes him to challenge the known limits of what is and isn't possible.

Upright: You're feeling invigorated, creative, and excited by all the opportunities and possibilities surrounding you. Channel Jareth's confidence and charisma as you take advantage of this inspired energy. If you put the power of your passion and raw talent behind your goals, you'll be unstoppable.

Reversed: Just as Jareth is frustrated by Sarah's continued progress through the Labyrinth despite all the challenges he throws her way, the Magician reversed suggests your plans are not coming together as you envisioned. Don't give up, even if you're experiencing setbacks. Remember why you started this journey. Reconnecting with your original goal will embolden you with the vigor you need to keep going.

II



THE HIGH PRIESTESS.

THE HIGH PRIESTESS

The High Priestess represents someone as mysterious, respected, and powerful as the goblin Zitzie, who carries fearsome magical elements in her handbag.

Upright: The High Priestess represents a perceptive, intuitive figure who trusts her instincts implicitly, for they're never wrong. This card advises you to pay close attention to any gut feelings that arise, because there may be more going on than meets the eye.

Reversed: Reversed, the High Priestess represents someone who's doubting themselves and choosing to ignore their intuition to their own detriment. It's time to reconnect with yourself. Take time away from the opinions and judgments of others, and get back in touch with your own thoughts and feelings. You're so much more powerful than you give yourself credit for. It's time to grab hold of that power.

III



THE EMPRESS.

THE EMPRESS

The Empress is a strong maternal figure, like Toby's mother, who is also Sarah's stepmother.

Upright: While the Empress traditionally represents fertility and nurturing, it's important to recognize that those concepts aren't exclusive to being a mother. Have you been contemplating and cultivating a great idea, or privately evolving a plan? The Empress is a positive sign that it has a lot of potential. It's time to bring your vision out into the world.

Reversed: When reversed, the Empress suggests it's time to turn the card's theme of nurturing inward by making time for yourself. Sarah's stepmother recognizes the importance of going out now and then to enjoy herself on dates with her husband. Take her example to heart! A little word of advice though: If you need childcare in order to do so, be sure to find a reliable sitter who won't lose your baby in the Goblin Kingdom.



THE EMPEROR.

THE EMPEROR

In traditional tarot, the Empress, the deck's maternal figure, is the counterpart to the Emperor, the paternal figure of the deck. As such, Sarah's father is the natural fit to represent this authoritative tarot card.

Upright: Calm, practical, and levelheaded, the Emperor is an expert leader who provides and upholds rules and structure. This card advises you to stay focused, get organized, and practice self-discipline.

Reversed: When the Emperor is reversed, it suggests you may be avoiding responsibilities. Are there any obligations or duties in your life you've been ignoring? When Sarah's upset about having to babysit her little brother yet again, her father makes only a feeble attempt to comfort her instead of offering genuine guidance and reassurance. If you're in a position of leadership or authority, the Emperor reversed reminds you to take your role seriously.



THE HIEROPHANT.

THE HIEROPHANT

The Hierophant values order and tradition, and he takes his role in society just as seriously as Hoggle takes his job in the Labyrinth.

Upright: While there's certainly a time and place for rebellion and nonconformity, the Hierophant warns that current circumstances call for you to fall in line. Respect tradition, and listen to the authority figures in your life. Whether this refers to managers, mentors, or a Goblin King, doing as you're told will help you avoid a dreaded trip to the Bog of Eternal Stench.

Reversed: While Hoggle initially resists Sarah's efforts to befriend him in deference to the Goblin King, he eventually decides to join the misfit group of kind creatures helping Sarah get to the center of the Labyrinth. When reversed, the Hierophant suggests it might be time to follow Hoggle's example and listen to your own conscience and heart—even if it means defying rules or expectations.



THE DANCERS.

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The Dancers represent two people perfectly in step with each other, beautifully, blissfully dancing through life.

Upright: You're in total harmony with someone important in your life. This could refer to a romantic partner, a close friend, or a treasured family member. This tarot card also suggests you may soon find yourself at a crossroads. Will you stay dancing in dreamlike bliss forever, or is there more adventure out there waiting for you? Only you can decide. Trust your intuition.

Reversed: A relationship or partnership in your life that you once treasured has soured. You may feel as though you're finally coming out of a dreamlike spell. Masks have been removed, and you're just now seeing this person as they truly are for the first time. Reconciliation has a chance only if everyone involved is committed to a better outcome. Sometimes it's best to part ways.

VII



THE CHARJOT.

THE CHARIOT

Like Sir Didymus charging forward astride his trusty steed, Ambrosius, the Chariot, represents momentum, movement, and bravely taking charge.

Upright: It's time to take decisive action. Square your shoulders, steady your nerves, and charge forward in the direction of your dreams. Be bold and courageous, like Sir Didymus, and you'll achieve what you've set out to accomplish.

Reversed: Things haven't gone according to plan, and now you feel stuck. Fear not! Though it may feel like you're hopelessly trapped in the Bog of Eternal Stench, there are still ways out of this. Reignite your drive and passion by remembering why you started on this journey in the first place. This will give you the optimism you need to get the situation back on track.



STRENGTH.

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Strength represents a composed, powerful, commanding presence like that of the mechanical giant who guards the Goblin City, Humongous.

Upright: Though Humongous seems formidable and larger than life, his ultimate defeat proves it takes more than brute force to be unstoppable. Stubbornly bulldozing through obstacles to get your way isn't always the best strategy. Instead, try tackling challenging situations by utilizing your inner strengths—conviction, perseverance, and empathy. You'll have a better chance of success if you remember that there's strength in being compassionate, gentle, and kind.

Reversed: Have you lost your confidence? Reversed, Strength suggests you may be feeling insecure, defeated, or powerless. Remember, you don't need a giant mechanical suit like Humongous to be powerful. Restore your confidence by reminding yourself of your strengths rather than focusing on any perceived weaknesses. Sometimes, a little pep talk goes a long way.

IX



THE HERMIT.

THE HERMIT

The Hermit, like the Wiseman, is a solitary, introverted figure who spends a significant amount of time reflecting deeply on life.

Upright: Are you feeling confused, overwhelmed, or a little lost in the Labyrinth? Just as the Wiseman says, "Sometimes, the way forward is also the way back." Taking action for action's sake can lead to burnout and frustration. Pause, and gather your thoughts. The clarity that follows will help reveal a more efficient way to make progress.

Reversed: Reversed, the Hermit carries a warning: Be careful not to become too introverted, or it will turn to isolation, which does more harm than good. Reflection, rumination, and soul-searching can be enlightening in moderation, but be sure to balance introversion with a healthy dose of social interaction and fun, or you may end up frustrated and starved for a stimulating conversation, like the Wiseman's chatty hat.



THE WHEEL OF FORTUNE.

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Sarah draws arrows on cobblestones with lipstick as a strategy for keeping track of her path through the Labyrinth. However, the Brick Keepers secretly twist and turn the bricks, confusing her. The Wheel of Fortune represents twists of fate and the constant nature of change.

Upright: You're reaching a turning point in your life. Something is about to change in a big way. No matter where this new path takes you, the Wheel of Fortune is a positive sign that luck is on your side. Keep your head up, and trust that things will ultimately work out just as they're supposed to.

Reversed: As the Brick Keepers thwart her strategy for keeping track of her path through the Labyrinth, Sarah feels frustrated and powerless. Reversed, the Wheel of Fortune represents that same helpless feeling. If life seems complicated and overwhelming right now, don't despair. You're more powerful than you think you are. Remember this, and your luck will change.

XI

JUSTICE.



JUSTICE

Justice represents fairness, rewards, and consequences, just as the Helping Hands give Sarah the choice to go up or down and then take her into the oubliette when she decides to go down.

Upright: Just as Sarah often laments that things aren't fair, this tarot card carries a strong sense of justice and equity. Justice serves as a reminder to consider your actions carefully, because they can bring both rewards and repercussions. Take time to think through any decisions to avoid getting yourself and others stuck in unforeseen predicaments.

Reversed: Reversed, Justice represents a guilty conscience. If you've behaved regrettably or made a mistake that's had negative consequences, this card comes as a sign that you need to make amends. Apologizing and making things right will clear your conscience and allow you to continue on your journey unimpeded by the weight of remorse.



THE HANGED MAN.

THE HANGED MAN

The Hanged Man represents someone who, like captive Ludo, has experienced an unexpected setback and is currently in a state of suspension and limbo.

Upright: While most people would initially view Ludo as a ferocious beast, Sarah looks at him from a different perspective. She is able to see the kind creature he really is. The Hanged Man calls for that same sort of shift in perspective. Things aren't always as serious, dire, or scary as they initially seem. Try pausing and taking a look at challenges in a new light. You may just find there was nothing to be afraid of after all.

Reversed: Reversed, the message of the Hanged Man is clear: You can't always be in control. You've been trying to maintain a firm grip on a situation that's really out of your hands, and the effort has left you feeling stressed and exasperated. Remember that you can't always force things to go the way you want them to. Sometimes, letting things fall into place naturally leads to even better results than you could have imagined. Relax, go with the flow, and let the situation unfold as it will.

XIII



FATE.

FATE

The Goblin King Jareth is skilled in the art of transformation, which is the theme of Fate. This card represents change, transition, and metamorphosis.

Upright: Fate comes forward during periods of major transition. You're going through an important transformation. As Fate also represents beginnings and endings, this tarot card could suggest it's time for a chapter in your life to come to a close so that you can begin a fresh new one. No matter what sort of transformation you're going through, rest assured this is meant to happen. These events are all for the best, and your future is full of potential.

Reversed: Some things in life are inevitable and fated; we will all change and transform throughout our lives many times and in many different ways. Reversed, Fate suggests you're resisting a big transition that needs to take place in order for you to move forward. This could refer to a physical change in your life, such as a move or job change, or the shift could be more internal. Are you engaging in a behavior that's no longer serving you? Is there a truth you've been trying not to acknowledge? Resisting change will only delay your progress. It's time to embrace it.

XIV



TEMPERANCE.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance represents balance, sensibility, self-control, and duality. The sentient, bickering Door Knockers adorn a pair of identical doors; good sense and patience are required to figure out which door to pass through.

Upright: Temperance symbolizes a period of harmony and represents a healthy balance of give and take. You're feeling calm, collected, and in control. Strive to approach any challenges you may soon face with thoughtful diplomacy. A little kindness and tact goes a long way.

Reversed: You may be feeling tempted to act impulsively, but Temperance reversed warns you to beware excess and extremes. Now isn't the time to chase instant gratification or make hasty decisions. Instead, practice restraint, and consider the future. Cultivate balance in your life through self-control, and try shifting your perspective from the current moment to your future. It's time to make decisions that your future self will thank you for.

XV



THE DEMON.

THE DEMON

Though they mean no harm, the playful Fireys prove to be dangerous. They get too caught up in their games to realize their actions could hurt Sarah. The Demon represents vice, excess, temptation, and behaviors that lead to negative consequences.

Upright: The Fireys try to tempt Sarah into abandoning her quest to play games with them, though their folly could prove to be deadly for her. The Demon serves as a warning to resist temptation, for the consequences of indulging in excess or thoughtless hedonism could prove to be dire.

Reversed: Reversed, the Demon indicates you're freeing yourself from a negative situation or unhealthy behaviors—behaviors you may not have acknowledged or may have been hiding from others. You've decided to confront your inner demons and escape the hedonistic, dangerous Fireys in your own life. Though you may be tempted to go back to your old ways, don't allow yourself to get distracted. You're on the right path. Keep going.

XVI



THE TOWER.

THE TOWER

The Tower represents unexpected, sometimes catastrophic change, such as the one Sarah experiences when Toby is whisked away by goblins to Jareth's castle.

Upright: Though the words “catastrophe” and “destruction” often conjure fear, the Tower's message isn't negative. Destruction can be necessary to clear space for better things. Though goblins take Toby, the adventure Sarah encounters while making her way through the Labyrinth to rescue him leads to her growth. Trust that this period of chaos will ultimately bring about greater clarity and insight.

Reversed: When the Tower is reversed, it suggests you're resisting an inevitable upheaval and transformation. Something in your life must come to an end, but you're stalling. Letting go can be difficult, but denying change only delays your personal progress. Try not to focus too much on the ending; instead, think of this as clearing the way for new and better things to come.



THE STAR.

THE STAR

The Star represents trust, renewal, and hope. It offers comfort and reassurance, like Sarah's favorite childhood toy, Lancelot the teddy bear.

Upright: The Star invites you to remember that you have encountered many trials and made it through due to your resilience and faith in yourself and your journey. It invites you to reconnect with your sense of purpose and guides you through whatever changes are coming your way. Following your inspiration with unbridled, childlike optimism will see you through any adversity.

Reversed: Reversed, the Star indicates you have lost hope and are feeling uninspired during a difficult time. Though things may seem dreary and dire, know that all is not lost. The Star's message is one of optimism and comfort; it's a positive sign to keep going and to have faith, not only in the universe but also in yourself.

XVIII



THE MOON.

THE MOON

The peach that Jareth forces Hoggle to give Sarah is much more than a simple snack. One bite whisks her away to a dreamlike masked ball. Of course, it's all an illusion. Illusion is one of the key themes of the Moon, which serves as a reminder that things aren't always what they seem.

Upright: The Moon is a sign to trust your intuition. If any hunches or gut feelings arise, trust them. Situations may be more complicated than they appear at first glance, so dig deeper to discover the truth and avoid deception.

Reversed: Are you feeling anxious, worried, or confused? Reversed, the Moon suggests you may be letting your fears get the best of you. Try to calm down and make sure you're seeing things from a realistic perspective. Sometimes, a peach is just a peach. You may find there isn't anything to be afraid of after all.



THE SUN.

THE SUN

The Sun radiates with happiness and youthful vitality, just like little Toby.

Upright: If you've been going through a tough time lately, the Sun comes as a comforting sign that a positive shift is coming. The clouds will soon part, and you'll be rejuvenated by its warm glow. This card also represents positive, successful outcomes—like Toby's ultimate rescue from the Goblin King.

Reversed: When was the last time you experienced pure, unbridled joy? Reversed, the Sun indicates a lack of enthusiasm or fun. If you're feeling listless or apathetic, it's time to reconnect with simple things that make you feel truly happy. Consider rediscovering a favorite activity from your childhood. Dance, sing, paint, or volunteer for a good, heart-warming cause. It's time to reignite an inner glow bright enough to illuminate the Goblin Kingdom.



JUDGMENT.

JUDGMENT

The Door Guards block two doors, and Sarah must choose which to go through. They explain that one door leads to the castle, and one leads to “certain death.” While the predicament you’re faced with may not be as dire as Sarah’s, Judgment represents pivotal decisions that can have major consequences.

Upright: Judgment indicates you’ll soon be faced with an important decision and warns against making an impulsive choice. Evaluate your options carefully, and consider their possible long-term effects. Be sensible, smart, and act in accordance with your conscience.

Reversed: When reversed, Judgment suggests you’re struggling with self-doubt, self-judgment, and your inner critic. Perhaps you’re beating yourself up over an earlier decision or being overly critical of past mistakes—like choosing to go through the wrong door. Just as Sarah is rescued from the oubliette by Hoggle, know that your error in judgment can too be rectified. Do what you can to fix this situation and make amends. Learn from this mistake, then forgive yourself, and carry on.



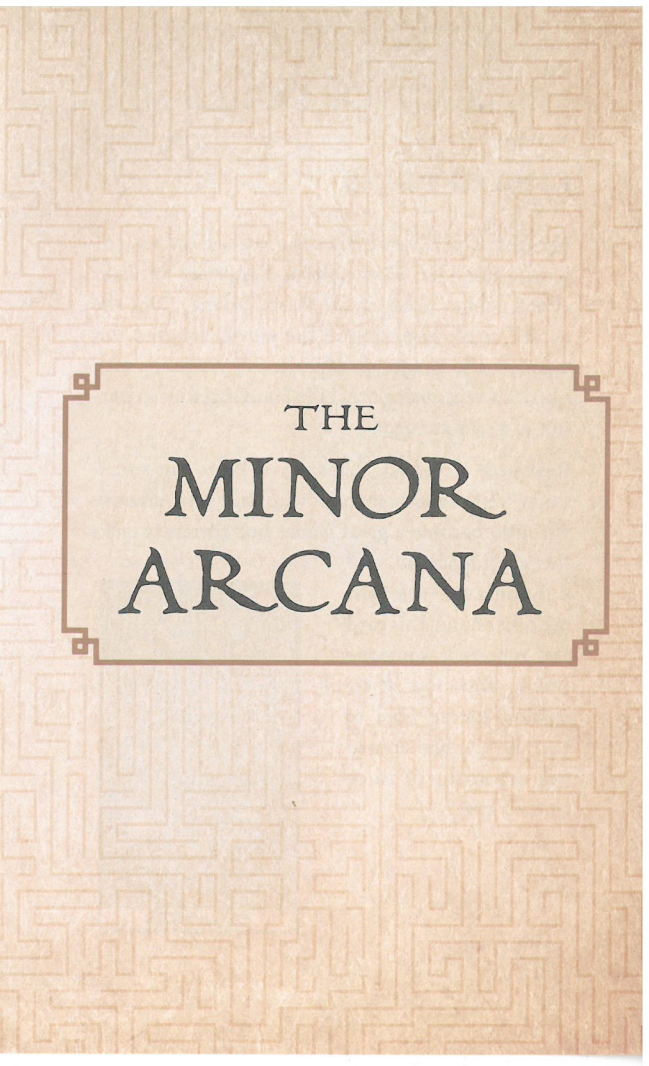
THE WORLD.

THE WORLD

Life, like the Labyrinth, is full of twists, turns, and challenges. The World represents the completion of a long adventure and the bright beginnings of a new one.

Upright: You've reached (or are close to reaching) the end of a life-changing journey, and you have learned so much along the way. Take a moment to reflect on all you've gone through to get where you are now, and appreciate the ways this adventure helped you to grow. Celebrate this momentous success, then look to the future. The next great chapter in your life awaits.

Reversed: Are you having trouble letting go of something in your life? Reversed, the World indicates a need for endings and closure. Whether this refers to a friendship, a romantic relationship, or a project you've undertaken, it's clear that it's run its course. Know that you need to end one chapter of your life before you can begin a new one. It's time.



THE
MINOR
ARCANA

SUIT OF POLES

KING OF POLES

Upright: The King of Poles is a wise, creative, unifying leader, like Røem Bååbå, the prime minister of the goblins who can be heard asking, “Did she say it?” at the beginning of the movie. Focused and talented, the King is an experienced visionary with a knack for inspiring others to band together in pursuit of a common goal.

Reversed: Reversed, the King of Poles can sometimes represent someone who has the creative vision to become a great leader but currently lacks the confidence to step fully into the role. On the other hand, this card can represent someone who’s allowing their passion for an idea to become an obsession, to the detriment of those around him.



QUEEN OF POLES

Upright: The Queen of Poles represents someone as expressive and enterprising as the goblin Gürdy, who's known for motivating others with inspiring theories and philosophies. The Queen of Poles enlivens any room she walks into with her illuminating discourse and creative, stimulating ideas.

Reversed: Reversed, the Queen of Poles symbolizes someone who's lost confidence in herself. Insecurity renders her uncomfortable in social situations, so she often tries to fade into the background. This card is a call to believe in yourself again. Your ideas are valuable and deserve to be shared with the world.





KNIGHT OF POLES

Upright: The Knight of Poles is a brave, impulsive figure ready to charge into the next adventure at a moment's notice. Wild and primal, the Knight of Poles is invigorated by challenges and change. When this card comes forward, it's a sign that decisive action is called for.

Reversed: Reversed, the impulsive energy of the Knight of Poles becomes chaotic and unstable. Passion and vigor are more useful when they're focused in a single direction. To avoid exhaustion, frustration, and fatigue, channel your bravery and excitement toward an exciting aspiration.

PAGE OF POLES

Upright: The Page of Poles represents someone full of lofty goals, fresh ideas, and great potential. Their views are ambitious, though a little naive. They still have a lot of personal growth to do before they achieve their dreams, but their willingness to learn ensures success.

Reversed: Reversed, the Page of Poles is frustrated and confused. Their inexperience has led to mistakes, and now their plan has gotten off course. You can't win every battle; sometimes, retreats are necessary. Don't let this setback dim your spark. Take it as a learning experience.



ACE OF POLES

Upright: The Ace of Poles symbolizes fresh, potent creative energy. You're full of visionary ideas! Use this newly found inspiration to motivate you, and you'll be catapulted into an exciting adventure.

Reversed: Reversed, the Ace of Poles suggests you may be feeling uninspired and directionless. Reignite your creative spark by stepping out of your usual routine. A little adventure is just what you need to regain momentum.





II OF POLES

Upright: You're starting to manifest something important to you but still figuring out the details. Take this planning process seriously and strategize carefully to set yourself up for success.

Reversed: You've found yourself in an unexpected situation and are feeling caught off guard and unprepared. Don't allow yourself to become overwhelmed with doubts and worries. You'll get through this if you stay present and focus on the task at hand.



III OF POLES

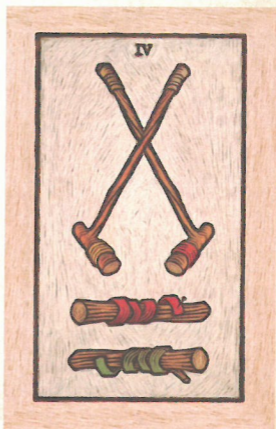
Upright: Sarah can't get through the Labyrinth alone; sometimes, it takes teamwork to get things done. The III of Poles represents creative collaborations, and reminds you of the importance of working together with others.

Reversed: Reversed, III of Poles suggests you may be blocking your own success. Don't limit your own potential by selling yourself short. Embrace your aspirations, and get others involved to bring them to life.

IV OF POLES

Upright: It's time for a celebration! IV of Poles represents an exciting life event, such as a birth, marriage, joyful reunion, or creating a happy new home. Get together with loved ones, and enjoy the moment.

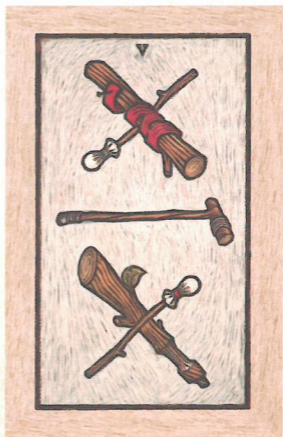
Reversed: Reversed, IV of Poles indicates instability within an important, fundamental aspect of life. You may be in conflict with a close friend or family member that's affecting you deeply, or you could be unexpectedly changing jobs or moving to a new home. Focus on rebuilding a solid foundation from the ground up.



V OF POLES

Upright: V of Poles symbolizes chaotic collaborations, arguments, and competition. You may feel like others aren't appreciating or understanding your ideas. Restoring clear, balanced communication among everyone involved will be the key to getting them back on the same page.

Reversed: Have you been wrestling with a difficult decision? Are you fighting an internal battle? When reversed, the conflict represented by the V of Poles is personal. Treating yourself with more compassion will make this whole situation easier. Don't be so hard on yourself—you're doing the best you can.

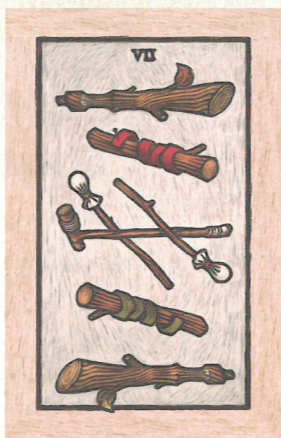




VI OF POLES

Upright: Victory! VI of Poles represents triumphant success. You're achieving so much, and others are noticing. Pause to enjoy your new rewards and recognition, then channel that momentum into your next great endeavor.

Reversed: Your self-confidence is waning. Have you been comparing yourself with others? Your journey doesn't look like theirs, and it's left you feeling as though you don't measure up. Remember that everyone finds fulfillment and happiness in different things. It's okay to reject the status quo in pursuit of your own idea of success.



VII OF POLES

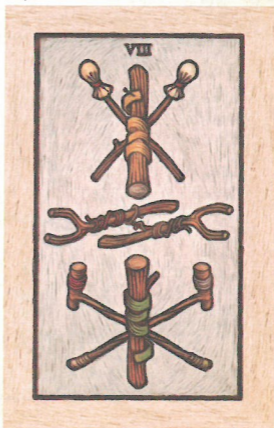
Upright: VII of Poles represents competition, challengers, and rivalry. You've worked hard to get where you are, and others are envious. Keep your guard up, and hold your ground, for the time may soon come to protect what's yours.

Reversed: Reversed, VII of Poles suggests you may be feeling as though you're fighting a losing battle. Don't get so bogged down in details that you lose sight of the larger picture. To regain your momentum, remember how far you've come, and reconnect with your ultimate goal. Keep going!

VIII OF POLES

Upright: You're entering into a very fast-paced period of movement and change. You'll soon find yourself very busy, but this shift will feel refreshing. Sometimes, this tarot card represents physical travel, such as vacations, trips, or moving to a new home.

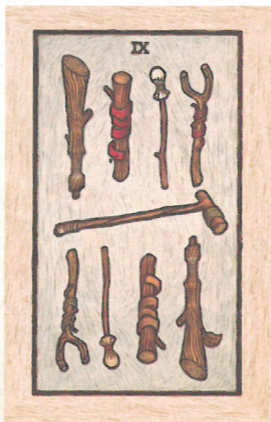
Reversed: Reversed, the surge in momentum represented by the upright VIII of Poles is blocked. Your progress has stalled, and you may be feeling stuck. Life, like the Labyrinth, is full of challenges. Follow Sarah's example when faced with an obstacle, and try looking at things from a different perspective.



IX OF POLES

Upright: IX of Poles suggests you're facing a challenge or rival. Right now, it's important that you keep your guard up. Conserve your energy and resources in anticipation of what's to come. Protect yourself and what's important to you.

Reversed: You're being faced with obstacle after obstacle and are becoming discouraged. Take comfort in knowing, though these challenges seem endless right now, they are actually temporary in nature. Muster your strength, and keep going. You'll reach a breakthrough soon.





X OF POLES

Upright: Accomplishments often come with important responsibilities. You may be feeling overwhelmed by your duties or your workload, but delegating some of that will make things much more manageable. You don't have to do everything on your own. Let others pull their weight and play their part.

Reversed: When reversed, the overwhelming burden represented by the X of Poles is more of an internal struggle. Your heart may be feeling heavy. There are people around you waiting to offer support. All you have to do is ask for help.

SUIT OF JUNK

KING OF JUNK

Upright: As the suit of Junk is associated with the element earth, the King of Junk is a salt-of-the-earth provider who isn't afraid to get his hands dirty and work hard for what he wants. Stable, warm, and welcoming, he's created material abundance and takes pride in his comfortable home and all the fruits of his labor.

Reversed: Reversed, the King of Junk's focus on wealth and creating material stability consumes him. He becomes obsessed with accumulating and hoarding as much wealth as possible—at any cost. Sometimes, this card represents someone whose ego is tied too tightly to what he owns. He may flash his wealth with an unbecoming sense of entitlement and superiority.



QUEEN OF JUNK



Upright: The Queen of Junk is a nurturing figure who wants for nothing. She has everything she needs in life and more, and the sense of security that comes with wealth and material abundance has made her comfortable and generous.

Reversed: Reversed, the Queen of Junk represents someone who's lost sight of what's really important to them. Like the Junk Lady, she focuses too much on material treasures and neglects her relationships with others. This card suggests you reexamine your priorities. Are you giving enough time and attention to the people who really matter to you?

KNIGHT OF JUNK

Upright: Hardworking, helpful, and dependable, the Knight of Junk is always there when you need him—just like Ludo's rocks! This tarot card advises you to work diligently and pay attention to the details. Others are counting on you! Stay on top of your responsibilities, and you'll be rewarded for your efforts.

Reversed: Reversed, the Knight of Junk represents someone who's become unreliable, apathetic, and unmotivated. This card often comes as a warning not to neglect your responsibilities. If you're no longer passionate about your current path, it's time to remember why you started and recommit yourself to it, or change direction altogether. No matter which you choose, it's time to regain your momentum.



PAGE OF JUNK

Upright: Like this fledgling junk-collector goblin, the Page of Junk represents someone who's just starting out on a journey that has the potential to be very lucrative. You may find yourself feeling inspired to start a new business venture, learn a new skill, or make an important change in how you manage your finances. Don't discount your ideas as being too ambitious. Dream big!

Reversed: The Page of Junk reversed suggests things haven't gone according to plan. A venture you thought was going to be lucrative has led to disappointment. Don't be too discouraged; no one is successful all the time.

Pick yourself up, dust yourself off, and explore other opportunities.





ACE OF JUNK

Upright: The Ace of Junk represents a new financial opportunity. This could come in the form of a new job, gift, or unexpected windfall. Take advantage of any opportunities that appear, because they have the potential to be very lucrative.

Reversed: If you find yourself presented with an opportunity that seems too good to be true, examine it carefully. Avoid getting so caught up in the potential that you fail to understand the risks. Make sure you understand offers fully, and don't be afraid to decline any that don't feel right for you.

II OF JUNK

Upright: There are only so many hours in a day, and the II of Junk indicates you may be struggling to find time for all the things that are important to you. It can be difficult to strike a healthy balance between your work and home life, but make sure you're not neglecting one at the expense of the other.

Reversed: Reversed, II of Junk suggests you're feeling overwhelmed with responsibilities. You're stretched too thin, and this workload has become unsustainable. Analyze how you spend your time and energy to find ways to make meaningful changes that will take some of the pressure off your shoulders.



III OF JUNK

Upright: As much as you may wish you could, it's not possible to accomplish everything on your own. III of Junk advises you that working with others toward a common goal will lead to much better results. Other people have valuable input and ideas, too. Keep an open mind.

Reversed: Reversed, III of Junk symbolizes an imbalance within a professional or financial collaboration. Is everyone involved taking care of their responsibilities to the team? Make sure you are all playing your part, or this unfairness will likely lead to the project's failure.



IV OF JUNK

Upright: IV of Junk advises you to set yourself up for lasting material success by building solid foundations and conserving your resources. Being smart about your finances and investments now will go on to create long-term stability.

Reversed: Do you have a healthy relationship with money? Reversed, the IV of Junk suggests you may be spending frivolously and beyond your means. It may be time to reexamine your cash flow habits. Don't pursue instant gratification at the expense of your future stability.

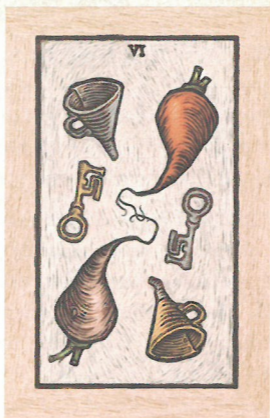




V OF JUNK

Upright: V of Junk denotes material scarcity. You may be struggling to keep up with bills, or perhaps you've incurred an unexpected expense that's thrown off your budget. Reevaluate how you're managing your finances, and don't be afraid to seek help if you need it.

Reversed: You may be experiencing a difficult time financially, or instability within your job, but the V of Junk reversed suggests your luck is finally turning around. Lucrative opportunities are heading your way, just in the nick of time. Watch for them!



VI OF JUNK

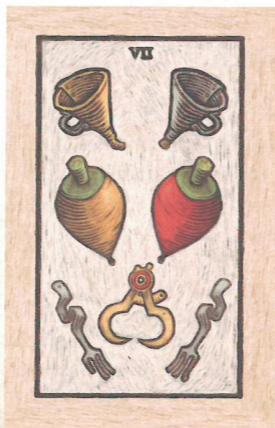
Upright: VI of Junk is a call for generosity. If you're in a place of abundance, this card advises you to be charitable and share your wealth with others. However, if you're the one in need, the VI of Junk serves as a reminder not to be afraid to ask for help.

Reversed: Do you have any outstanding debts that need to be honored? Or do others owe you? Reversed, the VI of Junk represents an unfair exchange that needs to be remediated.

VII OF JUNK

Upright: VII of Junk is a reminder to keep your long-term goals in mind. Though instant gratification is tempting, this card advises you to take action now in ways that will set you up for future success. Plan carefully, and your rewards will be immense.

Reversed: This card suggests you may be feeling frustrated. You may have expected immediate results and are discouraged that things haven't materialized. The best rewards often take hard work and long-term dedication to manifest. Keep going!



VIII OF JUNK

Upright: VIII of Junk represents skill-building and working hard to better your craft. Tasks become easier the more you practice them. Focus, pay attention to detail, and you'll soon find yourself in a place of mastery.

Reversed: Being meticulous is great, until it turns to shrewd perfectionism and overly harsh critique. You may be focusing so much on the minutiae that you've lost sight of the big picture. Step away from the details to regain a balanced perspective.





IX OF JUNK

Upright: IX of Junk represents luxury, decadence, and creature comforts. This is a card of indulgence, inviting you to treat yourself. Savor the fruit of your hard work and success. You've earned it!

Reversed: Reversed, the IX of Junk warns you not to sell yourself short. Don't underestimate your own value or let others take advantage of you. Make sure you're getting the compensation you deserve, because what you have to offer is important.

X OF JUNK

Upright: X of Junk symbolizes wealth, legacy, and the achievement of material aspirations. You've worked hard to get where you are today and are enjoying the abundance and stability you've created in your life.

Reversed: Reversed, this card represents an unhealthy relationship with wealth. This could refer to someone who manages their finances irresponsibly or someone who's taken things to the other extreme, becoming miserly and greedy.



SUIT OF FEATHERS

KING OF FEATHERS

Upright: Cunning, tactical, and intelligent, the King of Feathers is a powerful leader. Renowned for his fierce determination, he stops at nothing to reach his goals. This card is a sign that logic and reason is called for now. Don't let emotions get in your way.

Reversed: Reversed, the determination of the King of Feathers turns ruthless. He's not above using trickery and manipulation to get his way. Egotistical and elitist, he's unconcerned with the feelings and needs of those he sees as his underlings.



QUEEN OF FEATHERS

Upright: The Queen of Feathers is an intelligent, sensible, well-respected figure who does things her own way. She uses logic and reason to come to her own conclusions and isn't easily influenced by others. The Queen of Feathers has the confidence to stay true to herself even in the face of conflict and criticism—or Hoggle!

Reversed: Reversed, the Queen of Feathers becomes cold, callous, and volatile. Her ferocious, biting wit causes conflict. This card is a sign to regain control of yourself and try to approach people with a little more tact and compassion.



KNIGHT OF FEATHERS

Upright: What the Knight of Feathers may lack in brawn, he makes up for in brains. He is clever, focused, and quick to learn. Whether he's tasked with operating a complex mechanical giant or something much more mundane, trust the Knight of Feathers to think on his feet and solve conundrums with decisive action.

Reversed: Reversed, the Knight of Feathers is scatterbrained and easily distracted. Rather than finishing what he starts, he becomes bored and abandons his pursuits. This card is a warning not to let yourself get distracted. Maintain focus, find your motivation, and get the job done.





PAGE OF FEATHERS

Upright: Curious and eager to learn, the Page of Feathers has the potential for greatness. This tarot card often represents a student or someone beginning a new intellectual pursuit.

Reversed: Reversed, the Page of Feathers has an overinflated sense of their abilities. Immature and self-interested, this Page has a lot of growing up to do. Remember, nobody likes a know-it-all. A little humility goes a long way.



ACE OF FEATHERS

Upright: The Ace of Feathers represents a whirlwind period of breakthroughs, epiphanies, and revolutionary aha moments. You're feeling innovative, clever, and inspired. Make note of all your new ideas, for they have incredible potential.

Reversed: If you're feeling lost in a fog, aimless, or befuddled, it's time to rediscover your motivation. To gain clarity, consider what it is you really want. Setting a goal for yourself will stimulate your mind and reinvigorate you.

II OF FEATHERS

Upright: A difficult predicament is weighing on your mind. You're trying to come up with a solution that benefits everyone, but this is a complicated situation without easy answers. To make the best decision possible, be sure you have all the facts.

Reversed: You're in disagreement with someone important in your life. As this card is of the Feathers suit, this disagreement is likely intellectual and involves politics, ethics, or big changes. You can't force someone to believe as you do; all you can do is present your perspective.





III OF FEATHERS

Upright: There's no way around it: III of Feathers symbolizes heartbreak and wounded feelings. You're experiencing an overwhelming emotional upheaval. Don't bottle up these feelings. Work through them in healthy ways. This hurts now, but remember that as a card of the Minor Arcana, this feeling is temporary.

Reversed: Reversed, III of Feathers shows you're healing from heartache. You've been through an emotional, painful event, but your heart is on the mend. You're on the right track. Take care of yourself.



IV OF FEATHERS

Upright: IV of Feathers represents rest. This could mean you need to give yourself time to recuperate after a difficult period, or you may need to rest up to ensure you're prepared for what's to come.

Reversed: When reversed, the restful energy of the IV of Feathers becomes static. You've reached a plateau and are in a state of stagnancy. You need a change of pace. Deviate from your usual routines to shake things up and regain momentum.



V OF FEATHERS

Upright: Considered the ultimate conflict card, the V of Feathers symbolizes battles and clashes. Whether you're fighting the Goblin Army or a less whimsical enemy, it's clear that this conflict is unfortunate but necessary. You'll need to strategize carefully and use your wits to come out of this victorious.

Reversed: Reversed, V of Feathers represents truce, concession, and a parting of ways. The dust is settling after a major conflict. It's time to let bygones be bygones and move on.

VI OF FEATHERS

Upright: VI of Feathers suggests you've recently been in conflict with someone or have experienced a significant setback. You're feeling tired and worn out from the situation. Give yourself space to recuperate and relax. This has been a trying time for you, and you need to focus on recovery.

Reversed: Many times throughout your life, you'll have to let go of what's familiar and comfortable in the name of progress and moving forward. These transitions are a necessary part of growth, but you're struggling to let go. Trust that this change is important and will be worth the temporary discomfort.



VII OF FEATHERS

Upright: The Labyrinth is full of sneaky surprises. The VII of Feathers represents trickery and deception. Don't take things at face value now; stay vigilant. Remember, things aren't always what they seem.

Reversed: It's time to face the truth. Acknowledging the reality of a situation can be difficult or even painful, but open honesty will benefit everyone in the long run. Gather your courage, and do what needs to be done.



VIII OF FEATHERS

Upright: You're feeling trapped, restricted, or backed into a corner. Though it may feel like you don't have any options, the VIII of Feathers indicates you actually do have the power to get yourself out of this situation. It may require some clever thinking, but know that you have what it takes to free yourself from this predicament. Be brave.

Reversed: If you're feeling dejected and insecure, it could be that you are your own harshest critic. When you catch yourself thinking negatively about yourself, stop those harmful thoughts, and replace them with compliments. Dwelling on your perceived negative qualities is only drawing you deeper into sadness. Shift your perspective.



IX OF FEATHERS

Upright: IX of Feathers represents fear and worry. You're dreading a future event, and it may be keeping you up at night or even giving you nightmares. This card is a call to check your anxiety and work on relaxation. Go outside and take a few deep breaths of fresh air, make time to meditate, or take a relaxing bath. You're not at your best when you're so worried. Recenter yourself.

Reversed: Reversed, the IX of Feathers reflects the energy of the upright position and amplifies it. Your fear is driving you to distraction, and your anxiety is getting the better of you. It's time to muster your courage and face your fears. You just may find there wasn't anything to be afraid of after all.



X OF FEATHERS

Upright: X of Feathers symbolizes a painful ending. Whether this refers to a friendship, relationship, job, or other important aspect of your life, it's clear you will be left with heavy emotions. Give yourself time and space to process and grieve the closing of this chapter before beginning a new one.

Reversed: Reversed, the X of Feathers indicates you're putting off an ending that you know is necessary. You're holding on to something that needs to be let go. Change can feel frightening, but know that by refusing to embrace it, you'll only make the process more difficult and painful.



SUIT OF POTS

KING OF POTS

Upright: The King of Pots represents a person as steadfast and dependable as Mæliciöüs, the helpful, harmless, hollow-bodied creature who serves as the Goblin Army's post-battle trash receptacle. This card represents a benevolent figure whose greatest strength lies in his emotional stability.

Reversed: Emotionally turbulent and unpredictable, the King of Pots reversed represents a volatile person in a position of power. He's a master of manipulation who twists the truth to suit his own aims. Keep your guard up to avoid getting sucked into his messy world.



QUEEN OF POTS

Upright: The Queen of Pots is a nurturing figure who enjoys taking care of others. Whether she's offering insightful advice, facilitating diplomatic solutions to difficult dilemmas, or concocting feasts for a horde of hungry goblins, the Queen of Pots is a well-liked caretaker who is known for her compassion and creativity.

Reversed: Are you spending a lot of your time and energy caring for others? Reversed, the Queen of Pots reminds you to care for yourself with that same sort of compassion. You're not at your best when you're stretched too thin and exasperated. A little rest and relaxation will have you feeling rejuvenated in no time. Remember, self-care isn't selfish; it's necessary.



KNIGHT OF POTS

Upright: The Knight of Pots is a chivalrous, brave figure who's not afraid to passionately follow his heart, even if it leads him into battle. After all, some things are worth fighting for. This tarot card can also represent an ideal romantic partner.

Reversed: When reversed, the Knight of Pots becomes resentful and jealous. He didn't get what he wanted, and now he's sulking and gloomy. Don't brood over a disappointment for too long, or bitterness will sour your otherwise charming disposition.





PAGE OF POTS

Upright: The Page of Pots is a creative, curious, inexperienced creature who aspires to greatness. While the Page still has a lot to learn, they're idealistic, hopeful, and determined to do their part to make a meaningful impact on the world. Sometimes, this card can symbolize the beginning of a romantic relationship or a great new friendship.

Reversed: Demanding, petulant, and emotionally immature, the person represented by the Page of Pots reversed is exhausting to be around. This card symbolizes the need to restore balance to your emotional world. Get creative in finding a healthier outlet for your feelings and frustrations.



ACE OF POTS

Upright: You're feeling inspired and creative. Your ideas have incredible potential—you're onto something amazing! Sometimes, the Ace of Pots represents an exciting new connection or relationship.

Reversed: The Ace of Pots reversed suggests you may be bottling up your feelings to your own detriment. Keeping your thoughts and feelings inside is only leading to frustration. It's time to open up and express yourself.

II OF POTS

Upright: II of Pots represents blissful and harmonious connections. A relationship, close friendship, or partnership in your life is thriving. Nurture this connection, because it could very well lead to something magical.

Reversed: Reversed, II of Pots suggests you're out of sync with someone close to you. A relationship may be on the rocks, or a partnership may have soured. Examine your feelings. What is it that you want going forward? If harmony can't be reached, it may be time to cut ties and move on.



III OF POTS

Upright: III of Pots represents friendship and harmonious collaborations. Inspiration will come from getting together with others. This is a great time to host a brainstorming session and let the creativity flow freely.

Reversed: You're feeling disconnected from those around you. If you're not fitting in with a group, don't try to change yourself to gain their approval. Stay true to yourself, and the right people will come into your life.





IV OF POTS

Upright: IV of Pots advises you to make sure you know what you're getting yourself into before accepting an opportunity. Consider your options carefully, and take care to ensure you fully understand them before making a decision.

Reversed: Reversed, IV of Pots represents withdrawal and isolation. You're struggling with disappointment. Hiding yourself away isn't the answer. Process your feelings, then get back out there. Better times are ahead.



V OF POTS

Upright: V of Pots reveals that you've experienced a setback and are feeling disappointed and remorseful. Don't stay gloomy for too long; after all, the past can't be changed. Accept this turn of events, and move on.

Reversed: Reversed, V of Pots represents personal regret. It's time to forgive yourself for your mistakes. Don't lock yourself away in an oubliette. Missteps are learning opportunities, and they're part of the journey.

VI OF POTS

Upright: VI of Pots represents nostalgia, reunions, and simple, childlike happiness. This card invites you to reconnect with the simple things in life that make you truly happy. It also suggests you may soon be reconnecting with someone important from your past.

Reversed: Reminiscing about the past can help you appreciate the present, but be careful not to let nostalgia cloud your thinking. Remember, it's easy to romanticize the past. Bring your focus back to the present.



VII OF POTS

Upright: Dreaming can be a powerful act of manifestation. VII of Pots invites you to let your mind wander. Where do you want the future to take you? What adventures may await you there? Letting your imagination roam free will help you figure out where you want to go from here.

Reversed: VII of Pots comes forward when you're presented with many dreamy possibilities. Each option seems better than the last, but this card also carries a warning: Don't allow idealistic thinking to get the better of you. Make sure you're seeing things as they really are and not getting caught up in fantasy.





VIII OF POTS

Upright: VIII of Pots comes forward when you're feeling unexpectedly unfulfilled. You got what you wanted, and now you find yourself disappointed with the results. Reflect on your current feelings to discover the root of your discontent.

Reversed: VIII of Pots represents a tipping point. A situation in your life has come to a head, and it's time to decide whether to keep working on it or to walk away and move on. If something isn't working out, don't be afraid to change directions.



IX OF POTS

Upright: Your dreams are coming true! IX of Pots symbolizes good luck and success, and reveals that things are finally falling into place. Appreciate this time, and enjoy all the magic in your life.

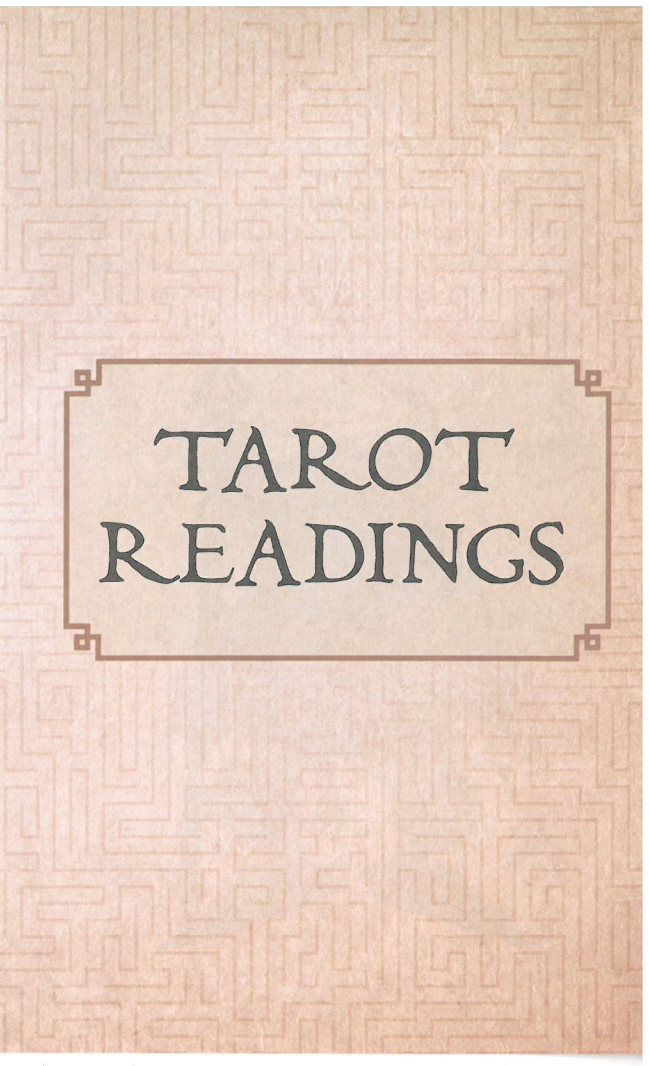
Reversed: Reversed, IX of Pots reminds you not to worry about what others are thinking. Don't worry about impressing others or living up to their expectations. Lasting happiness comes from staying true to yourself.



X OF POTS

Upright: X of Pots represents personal satisfaction and fulfillment. You're feeling supported by loved ones and content with life. Nurture your connections with those who are most important to you by letting them know how much they mean to you.

Reversed: Reversed, X of Pots suggests a relationship in your life may be feeling out of balance. Have your goals or needs changed? Have theirs? Look beneath the surface of the situation to figure out what's really at the heart of this disconnect.



TAROT
READINGS

One of the most exciting things about reading tarot is that it can be personalized to suit your own style. There are no rules! Use it intuitively, in whatever way feels right to you. Read tarot as often or infrequently as you like. Make it a sacred, ritualistic practice, take out your deck casually, or read with friends. It's all up to you, and that's the magic of it.



CARING FOR YOUR DECK

Most tarot readers agree that it's important to energetically cleanse your deck regularly, especially if you read tarot for other people. Cleansing your deck leaves you with a clean slate, so your next session will be fresh, clear, and unencumbered by the energy of the previous reading.

There are many methods you can use to cleanse your tarot deck. Feel free to experiment with them, and choose the method that resonates with you. Smoke cleansing refers to the act of passing the tarot deck through the smoke of sacred herbs, such as sage, lavender, or palo santo. Placing your deck in moonlight overnight can cleanse and refresh your cards. Many agree the light of a full moon is the most powerful, but any moonlight will do the job. Another option is to use crystals; selenite and black tourmaline make wonderful cleansing tools. Keep them on or around your deck when it's not in use to make sure its energy stays fresh and ready for the next reading.

PREPARING TO READ TAROT

Every good tarot reading begins with a question. You can ask the cards anything and everything: What needs to happen for this relationship to reach its full potential? How should I prepare for my big interview? How can I overcome all of Jareth's confounding obstacles to get through the Labyrinth and reach Goblin City? Tarot can give you useful insight and advice about any situation, friendship, or relationship you find yourself in.

Begin tarot readings by calming and clearing your mind. Meditate, take a relaxing bath, or close your eyes for a few moments. Breathe slowly and deeply. When you feel ready, ask your question, and shuffle the tarot deck. Some people shuffle tarot cards like playing cards, while others use an overhand shuffle to avoid bending them. You can even spread them out on a large surface and rifle through them to choose cards intuitively.

When your question has been asked, and your cards have been shuffled, it's time to draw cards and lay them out in a tarot spread. Tarot spreads are the specific ways cards are arranged as they're drawn. Here are a few to help you get started.

THINGS AREN'T ALWAYS WHAT THEY SEEM

Sometimes, situations are more complicated than they initially appear; there can be a lot of unseen elements under the surface. This tarot spread is designed to provide clarity by revealing the true nature of a situation.

1. The Masquerade

This card symbolizes what appears to be going on; it's the base card that shows your current perception of the situation.

2. The Goblin

This card reveals the hidden aspect of the situation.

3. Wisdom

This card gives you advice to keep in mind when handling this situation.

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YOU HAVE NO POWER OVER ME

This tarot spread is designed to show you how to step into your own power and overcome any obstacle that stands in your way. It provides insight into predicaments and offers advice on how to overcome them.

1. The Castle

This card represents your ultimate goal.

2. The Labyrinth

This card represents the obstacle or predicament standing in the way of your goal.





3. Your Strength

This card reveals your strength in this situation; the trait you'll need to embrace to overcome the obstacle.

4. Getting Through the Labyrinth

This card offers advice on how to overcome the obstacle to reach your goal.

When you find yourself faced with a difficult decision, use this tarot spread to give you insight into the options you're presented with.

THE DOOR KNOCKERS' CONUNDRUM

Sometimes, we're presented with a tough choice, and it can seem impossible to know which option to choose. When you find yourself faced with a difficult decision, use this tarot spread to give you helpful insight into your choices.

1. Door Number One

This card represents the true nature of one of your options.

2. Door Number Two

This card represents the true nature of the other option you're presented with.

3. Behind Door Number One

This card reveals the likely result of choosing option 1.

4. Behind Door Number Two

This card reveals the likely result of choosing option 2.

5. A Word of Advice

This card represents what you should keep in mind while making your decision.

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