

WEBINAR HANDOUT – THE SUIT OF WANDS
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The Suit of Wands.

The four suits of the tarot are representative of different dimensions and different aspects of our lives. Each suit speaks of a different aspect or series of archetypal experiences that take place in the immediacy of our lives.

Each suit of the minor arcana has 10 cards plus four court cards. In our last webinar we looked at the meanings of the court cards in all of the minor arcana suits.

In today's webinar we will look at the 10 cards in the suit of Wands.

The suit of wands is associated with the element of fire. Just as fire in itself creates transformation, the suit of wands are representative of our capacity to embark, grow, emerge and evolve through drive, passion, creativity, transformation, and the power of the imagination.

I always associate suit of wands with the hero's journey as these cards are identified with the story of Jason and the Argonauts and his adventure and quest to find the golden fleece. This epic adventure involves journey into the unknown, taking risks, overcoming obstacles, facing Demons, both inner and outer, finally to emerge triumphant and yet, there is also a recognition that once we have attained our goals, we will need to begin afresh on some new creative venture.



The Ace of wands.

This card speaks of the power of the imagination.

- A quest.
- Forces of nature.
- Drive to begin.
- The power of the imagination.
- The potential for hope, change, and possibility.
- This card can signify restlessness.
- Initiation.
- A burst of creative energy and potential.

In reverse this card can indicate a disregard of the power and value of imagination. Perhaps the seeker is not listening to their restlessness as an indication that change is required.



Two of wands.

This card speaks of taking the first steps towards the realization of possibilities indicated in the Ace.

- Although the vision is becoming clearer, how to get there is not yet apparent.
- Belief in possibility.
- Time to take the first steps of action.
- Full of potential.
- Excitement and energy.
- Timing is right.
- Time to leave home.
- Listening to your calling.

In reverse, this card can suggest that the seeker is stepping down or remaining in a safe but stifling environment rather than taking a risk or following their heart and dreams.



Three of wands.

This is a card of celebration and suggests an initial completion.

- The project is gathering momentum.
- The outline and the plans are drawn up.
- Pathways are being revealed.
- Validation of the project, relationship, venture.
- Celebrate the now, enjoy the moment.
- Can on some occasions suggest forgiveness and reconciliation.

In reverse, this card suggests that more effort is needed than originally realized. It might also suggest that some course correcting is necessary in order to proceed. It may also indicate that the seekers initial perspectives were unrealistic or unattainable.



Four of wands.

The four of wands is an indication of early reward and harvest... And yet so much more is to come.

- Time to celebrate.
- Challenges have been met.
- We can see concrete evidence and emergence of the initial venture.
- Early success, and therefore a completion and yet simultaneously the beginning of a new chapter.

- Can indicate a forthcoming journey.
- Rewards through effort.
- You have every right to feel good about yourself.

In reverse the four of wands would suggest that expected results have been slow to come to fruition. It can indicate a delay in something moving forwards or a hindrance in plans for travel.



Five of wands.

The five of wands indicates an obstacle in the progression of the seekers situation.

- The reality of the work involved.
- Obstacles that need to be overcome.
- Learning new skills.
- Seeking help and assistance.
- Facing our Demons, inner or outer.
- Finding practical ways forwards.

In reverse, this card would suggest that the seeker is not acknowledging what actually needs to be attended to, there is an avoidance of the reality and a head in the sand attitude.



Six of wands.

The six of wands is a card of celebration and victory.

- Victory.
- Validation.
- Recognition.
- Promotion.
- Qualification.
- Success.

In reverse, this card suggests a lack of recognition or validation for services and efforts made. The lack of recognition is either from others around the seeker, perhaps suggesting people in their world who take them for granted, or perhaps there is a lack of personal recognition from themselves.



Seven of wands.

The seven of wands is a card that suggests some form of competition or battle.

- In a work setting suggest the seeker is in a very competitive environment.
- This card can suggest people around the seeker who are envious.

- Ambition.
- Rise above self-doubt.
- Give yourself permission to embrace your fullest potential even in the face of competition.
- Jealousy.
- Envy.

In reverse this card can suggest a defeatist attitude or that someone in the seekers environment is trying to put them down, usually underpinned by envious or jealous feelings. This card can also indicate that somebody else or their idea or project is indeed bigger and better or more viable.



Eight of wands.

The eight of wands is a card that suggests a new surge of energy into a time of plain sailing.

- Energy release.
- Moving forwards.
- Travel.
- Renewed confidence.
- Energy flows.
- Gathering momentum.
- A period of action after in-action.

In reverse this card questions, what is stopping the seeker from moving forwards?



Nine of wands.

The nine of wands indicates a final struggle. In a film it is always the last hurdle that our hero will need to overcome in order to reach his or her final goal.

- The final testing.
- Finding energy reserves at our lowest ebb.
- Overcoming difficulty.
- Trust and belief are required.
- Durability is required.

In reverse, this card indicates that there are fears that the challenge will be too great. It can also indicate someone who gives up at the last hurdle or that reserves are very low time when they are most needed.



Ten of wands.

The ten of wands indicates some kind of burden or the need for the seeker to find renewed creativity and change.

- Evaluation is needed.
- Burden.
- The need to break free.
- Seeker needs to re- find creativity and passion.
- Realness.
- Too much responsibility.

In reverse this card can indicate that the seeker or someone in the seekers life is refusing to take ownership of their responsibilities. It can also indicate a reticence to be responsive to the need for creative solutions that would free the seeker up and move their situation forwards. It can also indicate that someone is literally restricting seeker and blocking them from their own ability to find solutions and reinstate passion and aliveness within their situation.