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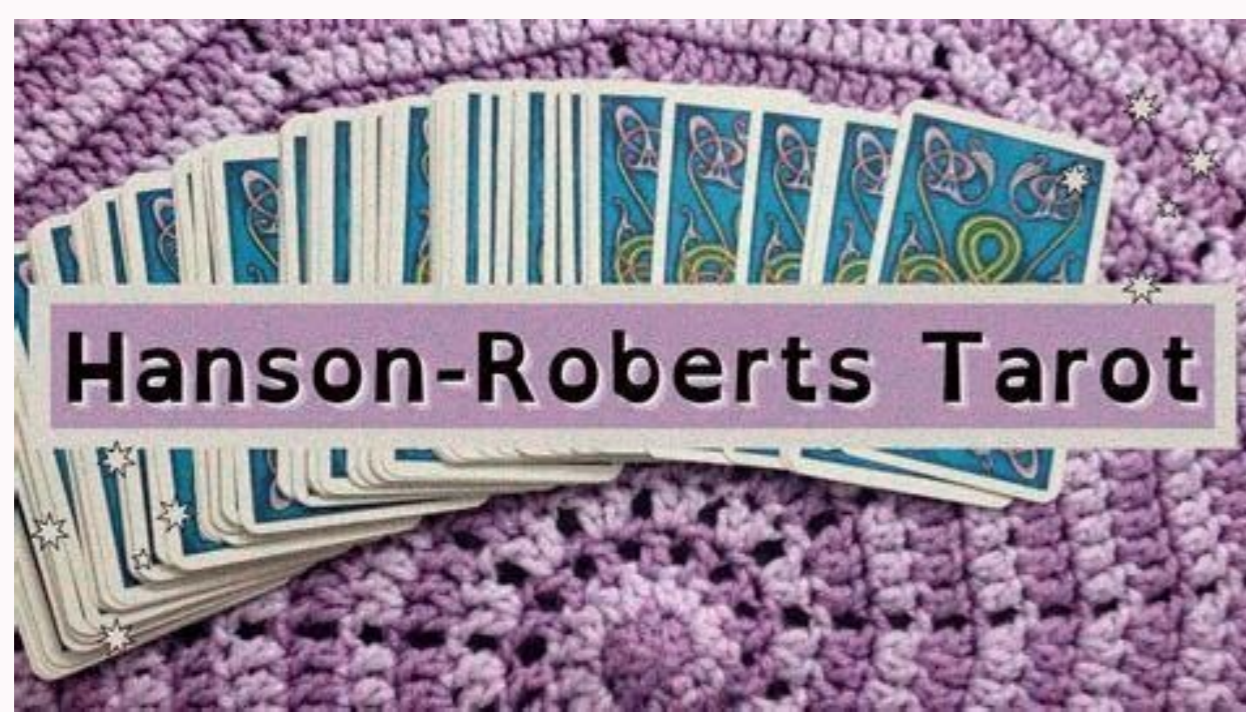
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I • THE MAGICIAN THE MAGICIAN stands before a table on which are the suit symbols of the Minor Arcana: a sword, a rod, a cup, and a pentacle. Above his head appears the figure eight, the ancient occult number ascribed to Hermes and the symbol of eternal life. Around him is a garden of lilies and roses. The Magician holds in his upraised hand the phallic wand of creativity—with his other hand he points downward. This dual sign suggests that all creation on earth is derived from above. The Magician possesses the ability of utilizing the diverse objects on his table for success in thought, word, and action. 7 Divinatory Meanings: Originality and creativity. Ability to utilize one's capabilities in order to accomplish a task. Imagination. Self-reliance. Ingenuity. Spontaneity. Self-control. Self-confidence. Flexibility. Masterfulness. Deception. Sleight of hand. Reverse Meanings: Weakness of will. Indecision. Ineptitude. Insecurity. Disquiet. Delay. The use of one's skills for destructive ends. II • THE HIGH PRIESTESS THE HIGH PRIESTESS is seated within the precincts of her temple. She holds on her lap a book of knowledge and esoteric wisdom. She is a large woman—suggesting challenge to masculine domination. She is the eternal feminine goddess of the ancient world, emanating both knowledge and wisdom into the life around her. Divinatory Meanings: Wisdom. Sound judgment. Serene knowledge. Common sense. Serenity. Objectivity. Penetration. Foresight. Intuition. Comprehension. Perception. Self-reliance. Lack of emotion. Platonic relationships. Reverse Meanings: Shortsightedness. Ignorance. Selfishness. Passion. Acceptance of superficial knowledge. Poor judgment. III • THE EMPRESS THE EMPRESS IS SEATED upon her throne. In her right hand she holds a scepter of authority. She is surrounded by ripe fruit and grain. The 8 Empress suggests the symbol of feminine productivity and action. By effectively mobilizing all her capabilities, she can create meaningful and noteworthy developments in her life. Divinatory Meanings: Feminine progress. Fruitfulness. Fertility. Mother. Sister. Wife. Accomplishment. Ability to motivate others. Practicality. Intuition. Marriage. Children. Feminine influence. Reverse Meanings: Vacillation. Inaction. Lack of concentration or interest. Indecision. Delay in accomplishment or progress. Anxiety. Infertility. Infidelity. IV • THE EMPEROR A REGAL MAN of middle age sits upon a throne decorated with rams' heads. He wears a crown of living leaves. A ceremonial scepter is in his right hand and with his left hand he holds a worldly globe of dominion. He exudes confidence and accomplishment. Divinatory Meanings: Worldly power. Accomplishment. Confidence. Authority. Wealth. Stability. Indomitable spirit. Leadership. War-making tendencies. Male influence. Patriarchal figure. Father. Brother. Husband. Domination of reason and intelligence over emotion and passion. Strength. Attainment of goals. Reverse Meanings: Immaturity. Ineffectiveness. Lack of strength. Indecision. Inability. Weakness of character. Feebleness. Failure to control petty emotions. 9 V • HIEROPHANT A PAPAL FIGURE with beard and mustache holds a three-tiered staff in his left hand. He wears the triple crown of papal authority. The crossed keys indicate the keys to his kingdom. He appears to give a blessing with his right hand to the two figures before him. The Hierophant possesses creative power through the divine, intellectual, and physical worlds. Behind him are two columns—one symbolizing law and order; the other the right to choose whether to obey or to disobey. Divinatory Meanings: A tendency to cling to former ideas and principles even if outdated. Ritualism. Mercy. Forgiveness. Inspiration. Kindness. Compassion. Servitude. Inactivity. Reverse Meanings: Over-kindness. Foolish exercise of generosity. Susceptibility. Impotence. Unconventionality. Unorthodoxy. Vulnerability. Frailty. Renunciation. VI • THE LOVERS A YOUNG LAD AND MAIDEN stand together, hands clasped. Above them appears a winged angel who protects them. The Lovers represent all that is essential in the interaction of love and affection between human beings. Divinatory Meanings: Love. Beauty. Perfection. Harmony. Confidence. Honor. Trust. Beginning of a possible romance. Deep feeling. Oblivious to possible consequences. 10 Description: obscure. It is sometimes theorized that the tarot deck was created as a seventy-eight card deck. However, it might be that the twenty-two. Major Arcana See more