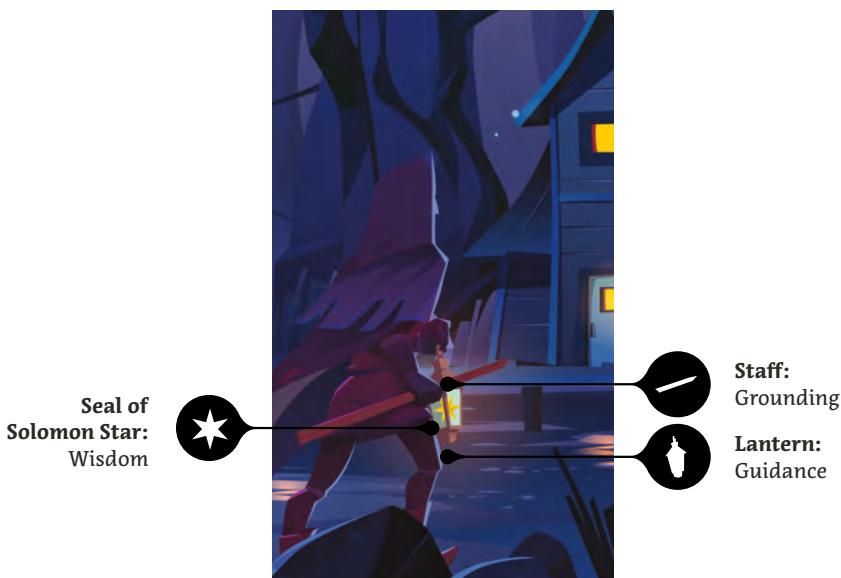


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THE HERMIT

M A J O R A R C A N A



Seal of
Solomon Star:
Wisdom



Staff:
Grounding



Lantern:
Guidance



Yes/No Reading:

Yes *No* *Maybe*

Names in Other Tarot Systems:

Golden Dawn: The Hermit

Tarot of Marseilles: L'Ermité

Thoth: The Hermit

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PLANET Mercury	ZODIAC Virgo	ELEMENT Earth	HEBREW Yod	COUNT Zodiacal Trump

Upright: *Wisdom, Isolation, Introspection, Patience, Self-Reflection*

Delving into the depths of one's soul, the Hermit card suggests a period of introspection and the quest for profound truths. You're encouraged to set external counsel aside and trust the guidance from within.

Choosing to embrace solitude, not out of loneliness but for genuine self-reflection, can yield transformative insights. A period of meditation or thoughtful contemplation can be especially illuminating, offering clarity and direction.

While this introspective phase might be temporary, it provides an essential opportunity to realign, reevaluate, and move forward with a rejuvenated sense of purpose. Guided by the Hermit's lantern, you're on a path to unveil hidden truths and deeper understanding.

Reversed: *Withdrawal, Exile, Rejection, Paranoia, Loss of Self, Fear*

Reversed, the Hermit might point to feelings of involuntary isolation, loneliness, or exclusion. This can imply not heeding one's intuition or inner voice, potentially leading to choices that aren't in alignment with one's true purpose. There's a potential danger of becoming overly isolated, causing stagnation instead of personal growth. This can stem from an extended period of introspection without taking decisive actions or perhaps from apprehensions about facing external realities. Yet, there's a silver lining. The reversed Hermit might also symbolize the conclusion of a phase of solitude or introspection, hinting at a readiness to step back into society, armed with newfound wisdom and insights.

It's also worth considering that this card, when reversed, could signify a misguided quest—possibly seeking clarity from the wrong sources or over-relying on outside opinions, rather than trusting one's own innate wisdom.



CHAKRA:
Third Eye

TIMING:
August 23 – September 22

NUMEROLOGY:
9, 18

ARCANA RELATION:
The Moon

DEITY:
Adonis, Attis, Ceres, Isis, Vesta

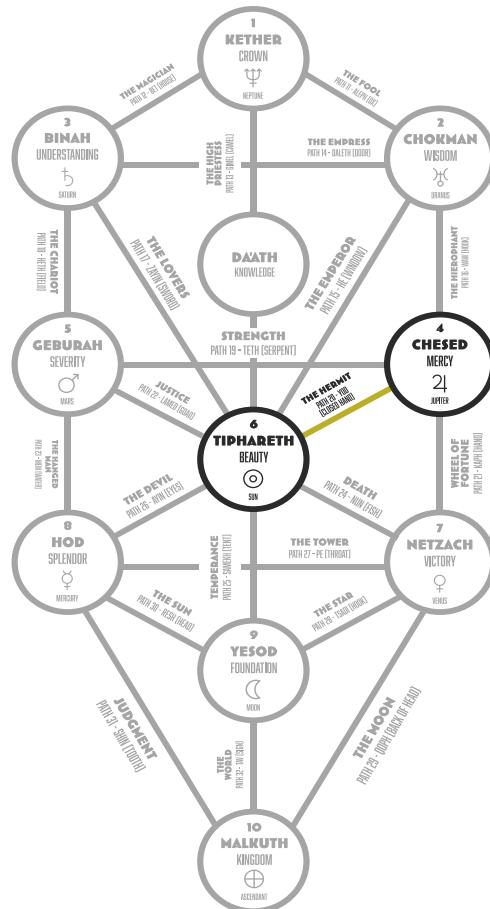
ANIMAL:
Anchorite, Rhinoceros,
Solitary Animals

CRYSTAL:
Amethyst, Ametrine, Aragonite,
Bloodstone, Carnelian, Citrine,
Dumortierite, Gaspeite,
Peridot, Sodalite

PLANT:
Angelica, Aspen, Chamomile,
Licorice, Lily, Mistletoe,
Narcissus, Sage, Snowdrop

MAGICKAL ITEM:
Bread, Flail, Lamp,
Owl Feathers, Wand

ARCHANGEL:
Metatron, Raphael



GREY

Stability, Neutrality,
Reserve



GREEN

Balance, Fertility,
Growth, Harmony



PURPLE

Spirituality, Wisdom,
Peace, Idealism



INDIGO

Emotion, Fluidity,
Expressiveness

The card's central image features a mature, thoughtful figure symbolizing profound wisdom, introspection, and inner clarity. This individual is often depicted atop a mountain, emphasizing their intentional retreat from external distractions and their journey inward.

In one hand, the figure holds a lantern with a single beam of light. The lantern contains the six-pointed Seal of Solomon, a symbol of the Hermit's unique understanding and insight.

In the other hand, the figure grasps a staff, which represents their steadfastness and conviction. This staff reflects the Hermit's unwavering commitment to their beliefs and wisdom.

Clad in a subtle gray cloak, this figure embodies discretion and subtlety. The Hermit's devotion to solitary reflection and meditation is underscored by their choice of dress and manner.



ZODIAC: Virgo (August 23 – September 22) is an Earth sign ruled by Mercury. Virgos are selfless and dedicated, often putting others' needs above their own.



PLANET: Mercury is the smallest planet in our solar system and the closest to the Sun. Mercury, the messenger of the gods, represents communication and reasoning.



ELEMENT: Earth represents death and rebirth. It is the realm of abundance, prosperity, and wealth. It is associated with Autumn, the Suit of Pentacles, and the North cardinal direction.



HERMETIC QABALAH Associated Hebrew Letter: Yod – Closed Hand (Deed, Work)



TREE OF LIFE PATHWAY: 20th Path Between Chesed (Mercy) and Tipareth (Beauty)