



SEVEN OF WANDS

M I N O R A R C A N A



Figure:
Guarded

Different Shoes:
Instability,
Confusion

Yes/No Reading:

Yes *No* *Maybe*

Names in Other Tarot Systems:

Golden Dawn: Lord of Valour

Tarot of Marseilles: Seven of Clubs

Thoth: Valour

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PLANET Mars	ZODIAC Aries, Leo, Sagittarius	ELEMENT Fire	NUMEROLOGY	COUNT

Upright: Challenge, Defense, Protection, Competition, Perseverance

This is the time to stand firm and assert yourself against opposition or challenges. You may be feeling attacked or defensive, as though you're facing competitors or obstacles. You're facing external and internal battles, emphasizing the power and necessity of resilience, courage, and belief in your convictions.

By reminding you of the strength you possess within, the card encourages you to harness it to face the adversity before you. While the challenges you face may test your determination and willpower, the Seven of Wands assures you that you are capable of overcoming them. It's a call to persevere, remain steadfast and confident in your stance. If you have been considering giving up, this card urges you to do the opposite - to fight with even more passion and determination.

Reversed: Exhaustion, Defeat, Overwhelm, Insecurity, Lack of Confidence

When the Seven of Wands appears reversed, it can be a sign of exhaustion and overwhelm resulting from a series of difficult challenges and battles. The constant need to be on the defensive may have taken a toll, causing doubts to cloud your judgment and leading you to question the worth of continuing the struggle. At this point, retreating or reconsidering your stance may seem like the best option, as a lack of confidence and feelings of being undermined by external forces or self-sabotage take over.

However, on the other hand, the reversed Seven of Wands may also signal a shift towards lowering your defenses. You may realize that an aggressive approach isn't helping and that it's time to try a more diplomatic or collaborative approach. Rather than viewing everything as a battle, you may seek common ground and disengage from conflicts that drain your energy without producing positive results.

Upright Interpretations

General Reading: You're standing up for your beliefs, choices, or decisions and are willing to defend your point of view. There's a spirit of determination and courage, indicating that you have the strength to overcome opposition.

Love Reading: You or your partner may need to stand up for your relationship, especially if others are challenging it. There might be internal challenges within the relationship that require a firm stance and clear boundaries.

Health Reading: You might be fighting off an illness or facing challenges related to your well-being. It's essential to stay persistent and determined. Stand up for your health and well-being, making choices that are right for you even if others don't understand.

Career Reading: You may feel the need to defend your position, ideas, or projects. Opposition may come, but you are well-prepared to handle it. This is a time to stand firm, be confident, and advocate for your contributions.

Reversed Interpretations

General Reading: You might be feeling overwhelmed by challenges or opposition. It can also indicate an internal struggle, perhaps questioning if the battles you're fighting are worth the energy. You might be on the verge of giving up or feeling that you're fighting a losing battle.

Love Reading: You're avoiding confrontation or issues within the relationship. It can also mean that external pressures or conflicts are becoming too much, leading to withdrawal or reevaluation of the relationship's direction.

Health Reading: You might be feeling defeated in your health challenges or perhaps avoiding facing specific health issues head-on. It's essential to seek support if you're feeling overwhelmed and not to ignore problems hoping they will go away.

Career Reading: There might be a feeling that you're not being recognized or appreciated in your professional environment. Challenges or opposition could be taking a toll on your confidence. This card can also indicate avoiding conflicts at work or not standing up for your ideas and contributions.

The Seven of Wands depicts an individual on higher ground, wielding a wand in a defensive stance against six other wands aimed upwards towards them. This positioning accentuates the notion of being in an elevated position while being scrutinized or under attack.

The rugged terrain that often surrounds the figure represents the capriciousness of life and the difficulties that arise unexpectedly. It also highlights the necessity of being vigilant and expending effort to maintain the upper hand, even with a higher position. This person is ready to face adversity head-on, both externally and internally, often following a period of recognition or success.

Moreover, the number seven in Tarot denotes introspection and inner wisdom. The Seven of Wands suggests that to overcome opposition, one must rely on their inner strength, confidence, and conviction. The wands signify creativity, passion, and will, indicating that these battles often center around personal beliefs, values, or aspirations. The card inspires the querent to trust their inner flame and remain steadfast in their convictions, despite external pressures.



ZODIAC: Aries (March 21 – April 19) is a Fire sign ruled by Mars. This sign embodies a determined, impulsive, and resolute energy.



Leo (July 23 – August 22) is a Fire sign ruled by the Sun. Leos are known for their self-assurance and innate ability to take the center stage in most situations.



Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21) is a Fire sign ruled by Jupiter. Sagittarians are often seen as the optimists of the zodiac, always looking at the brighter side of life.



ELEMENT: Fire represents energy, creativity, and power. It is the realm of love, courage, and action. It is associated with Summer, the Suit of Wands, and the South cardinal direction.



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



QABALISTIC SEPHIROT: Netsach (Victory)



TIMING: August 12 – August 22