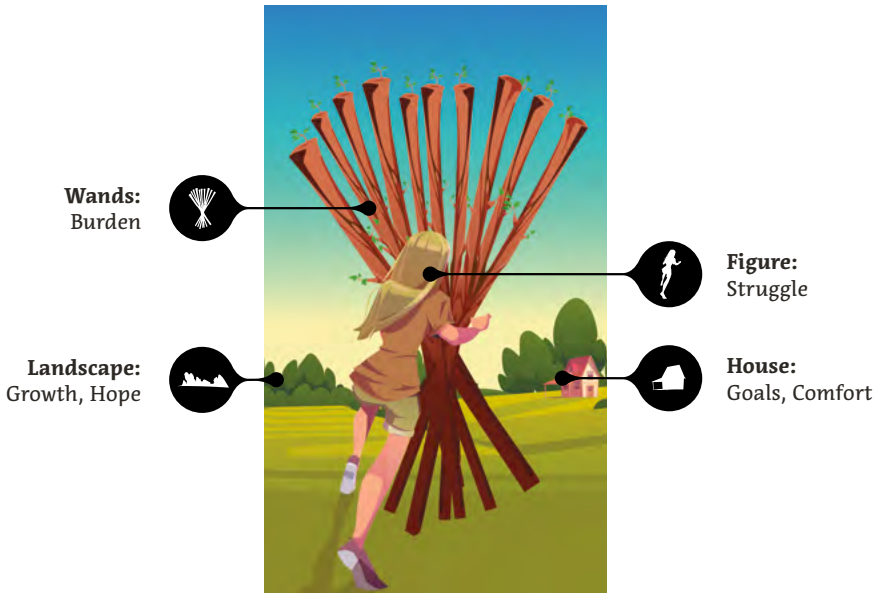




TEN OF WANDS

M I N O R A R C A N A



Wands:
Burden

Figure:
Struggle

Landscape:
Growth, Hope

House:
Goals, Comfort

Yes/No Reading:



Yes



No



Maybe

Names in Other Tarot Systems:

Golden Dawn: Lord of Oppression

Tarot of Marseilles: Ten of Clubs

Thoth: Oppression

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

Upright: Accomplishment, Responsibility, Burden, Completion, Hard Work

You've taken on too much either by choice or due to necessity, and the weight of these responsibilities is beginning to take a toll. It indicates a situation where ambition, commitment, or external pressures have led to a sense of being overstretched or approaching a breaking point. You may be pushing through with sheer willpower driven by a sense of duty, even at the cost of personal well-being and balance.

Nevertheless, the Ten of Wands provides a glimmer of hope and perspective. The heavy load suggests that the journey or challenge is nearing its conclusion, and relief or the end of a task is on the horizon. Although one may feel exhausted or overwhelmed, this card also serves as a reminder of the resilience of the human spirit. There is strength in perseverance, and the current struggles will lead to valuable lessons and personal growth. It may also signal a time to re-evaluate responsibilities, consider seeking assistance, delegate tasks, or establish boundaries to ensure a sustainable life balance.

Reversed: Burnt Out, Overstressed, Delegation, Exhaustion, Release

This is a time of liberation, where burdens can be lifted and certain responsibilities can be reassessed or delegated. You may be shedding weighty obligations, re-evaluating the necessity of tasks, or experiencing freedom from past struggles. Learning to delegate, set limits, and say 'no' when needed are all possible outcomes. This card urges a shift towards a more balanced, relaxed approach to life's challenges, providing a break from constant pressure and the drive to achieve.

Neglecting one's obligations or taking shortcuts may result in unfinished business or repercussions. It's crucial to distinguish whether the lightening of your load is a genuine release from unnecessary burdens or a potentially harmful avoidance of responsibility. Therefore, the reversed Ten of Wands should be interpreted with caution and careful consideration.

Upright Interpretations

General Reading: You've faced numerous obstacles but remain standing, ready to confront whatever comes next. This card encourages you to persevere and draw on your inner strength to push through to the end.

Love Reading: You or your partner might have been hurt before and are now cautious about opening up again. It could indicate a relationship that has faced its fair share of challenges but is still enduring. For singles, it might mean being careful and protective of your heart, having been burned before.

Health Reading: You might be in the final stretch of a long recovery or health challenge. The card asks you to keep pushing forward and not give up, even if you feel tired or discouraged. It could also suggest being vigilant and proactive about your health.

Career Reading: You might feel fatigued or like you're constantly fighting battles, but success is within reach if you keep pushing. It might also suggest a need to stand your ground and protect what you've built.

Reversed Interpretations

General Reading: You're experiencing feelings of weariness, overwhelm, or a sense of defeat. It can also suggest being overly defensive or paranoid. On the flip side, it might indicate a decision to release a burden or walk away from a struggle that isn't worth your energy anymore.

Love Reading: There may be issues of mistrust, defensiveness, or past trauma affecting your relationship. One party might be overly cautious due to past hurts. For singles, it suggests letting go of past heartbreaks to move forward.

Health Reading: You might be feeling burnt out or overly stressed about health matters. There's a need to pay attention to warning signs and possibly seek rest or professional guidance. Alternatively, you may be on the path to healing and releasing past health burdens.

Career Reading: You're feeling defeated or wanting to give up after facing constant challenges at work. However, it could also mean recognizing when it's time to walk away from an unproductive situation or job.

The Ten of Wands depicts an individual struggling under the weight of ten heavy wands, which represent the accumulation of challenges, duties, and obligations they have taken upon themselves. The central figure is bent under the weight of the wands, emphasizing the concept of being overwhelmed and possibly having taken on more than they can handle. This figure's stooped and struggling posture highlights the state of exhaustion or near-breaking point that can result from ambition, responsibility, or commitment.

Contrasting with the figure's burdened state, the background of the card in many depictions shows a home or destination in sight, indicating that relief or the end of a journey is near. While they might feel overwhelmed at the moment, it's important to remember that there's a purpose or reason for the current struggles. This serves as a reminder that it's necessary to reassess one's responsibilities, delegate where possible, and recognize one's limits.



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: Malkuth (Kingdom)



TIMING: December 13 – December 21