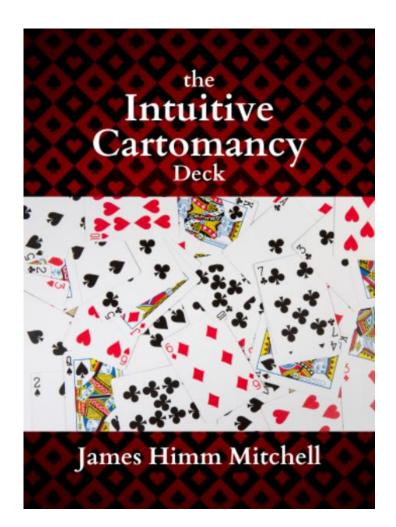
# **Intuitive Cartomancy Deck Quick Reference Guide**



# Introduction

Thank you for your interest in and purchase of my *Intuitive Cartomancy Deck*. I appreciate your support of my work in this project. This deck is a labor of love and has a special place in my heart. I became a cartomancer because of a (sleep) dream I had way back in 1998. In that dream, I was sitting at a table, doing a reading for myself with a deck of playing cards. I was taking notes of the cards that turned up, writing in a journal.

I woke from that dream knowing it was significant – especially because I had never done anything like that with a deck of cards in waking life. I just knew that I was being called to take up the cards in that way.

Along the way, I took an interest in several card systems, but I would always find my way back to playing cards.

And the weekend before Thanksgiving (2023), an idea came to me: I was inspired to create a deck of scenic playing cards, much in the way Pamela Colman-Smith revolutionized Tarot by illustrating the Minor Arcana with scenes. My cards would have playing card inserts, much like the Lenormand, Sibilla, and Gypsy Witch systems I studied and read with along the way in my cartomancy journey.

The images on the cards highlight one of the many meanings I use for each when working with them. My system is a blend of those established by Dr. Leo Louis Martello (in his book, *It's Written in the Cards*) and Regina Russell (in her book, *Card Reader's Handbook*), as well as the meanings and interpretations I have developed over time spent with the cards.

### **Deck Structure and Card Meanings**

The following charts below will inform you of the meanings I use for each of the playing card suits; the associations I have for the numbers; and the meanings I have incorporated or developed in my personal and professional practice.

Hearts	Feelings and emotions. Relations and
	relationships. Matters of the heart. Healing.
	The water element. Summer.
Diamonds	Material matters and concerns. Money and
	finances. Career. Health. Values. Value and
	worth. Energy. The earth element.
	Autumn/fall. Spirit.
Clubs	Work and business. Effort. Action. The public
	and society. Social activity. The fire element.
	Spring. Teaching and learning. Progress.
Spades	Problems and troubles. Challenges and
	obstacles. Blocks and hurdles. Problem-
	solving and decision-making. The air element.
	Winter. Elimination. Consciousness.

#### Suits

#### Aces

#### Beginning stage. Initial period. Starting point. Point of origin. Individual. Individuality. Original. The one and only. Singularity. Potentiality.

Ace of Hearts	Home and family. A family member. One's comfort zone. Feeling "at home." The initial stage of a relationship.
Ace of Diamonds	An engagement ring. An engagement or commitment. Cycles and patterns. A piece of

	jewelry. The initial stage of a material matter. A letter. An invitation.
Ace of Clubs	Legal paperwork and documents. Passports. Contracts or contractual work. The initial stage of work or a business venture. A social experiment. Being of service to your country.
Ace of Spades	A choice or decision. The initial stage of a problem or challenge. The Order of the Magi card. A magickal person. A magickal working. Ancestor work. Ancestor veneration. A transition. Rebuilding your life.

#### Twos

Connection. Bonding. Sharing. A relationship. Pairing. Coupling. Duality. Polarity. An exchange. Help and support. Conflict. Identical or opposite. Contrast.

2 of Hearts	An emotional bond or connection. Sharing your feelings with someone. Pregnancy. Managing your expectations in relationships. Opposites attract.
2 of Diamonds	Sharing your assets and resources with others. An invitation to eat out for lunch or dinner. What you can or cannot "stomach." Digestion issues.
2 of Clubs	A gift. A mutually beneficial relationship. Service. A working or business relationship. A friendship.
2 of Spades	A difficulty in a relationship. Sharing what is on your mind with others. A disagreement. A stalemate. Keeping your thoughts to yourself.

Wondering what someone is thinking. Not
speaking to someone.

### Threes

Creativity. Creative expression. Trinity. Productivity. Result. Offspring. Increase and expansion.

3 of Hearts	Cartomancy. The growth and development of one's religious or spiritual side. A love triangle. A throuple. Three's a crowd. Feeling creative. Feeling productive. A small promotion.
3 of Diamonds	Small financial growth. Part-time and/or full- time work. Creative energy. The need for patience regarding growing your finances. Money does not grow on trees.
3 of Clubs	Training on the job. Tracking your progress. The initial results of a venture (small successes). Staying and/or keeping on track. Being on the right track. Creative work or business. The author card.
3 of Spades	A growing and/or developing problem. Confusion, uncertainty. Interference of a third party. A creative mind. Creative block. The artist card. A cloudy day. The calm before the storm. An x-ray. Creative thinking.

#### Fours

Stability and security. Form. Formation. Framework. Structure. Four corners. Four directions. Four elements. Four wheels. Four legs. Limitation and/or restriction.

4 of Hearts	The "marriage bed" card. Intimacy. Sexual relations. Emotional safety and security.
	Feeling safe.
4 of Diamonds	Financial stability and security. Financial
	and/or banking accounts. Savings accounts.
	Safe deposit boxes. Certificates and licenses. A
	desk or 4-legged pieces of furniture.
4 of Clubs	A car or vehicle. Progress being made. Tests
	on the road of life. A teacher. Job stability and
	security.
4 of Spades	The "sick bed" card. Illness. A need for rest.
	Life is forcing you to slow down. Recovery
	and recuperation. Limitation and/or
	restriction. Convalescence. Retirement.

#### Fives

Change. Activity. Being hands-on. Freedom. Travel. Movement. The body. The physical and/or material. Sensuality (the five senses).

5 of Hearts	An opportunity. An offer. A dream come true.
	A female relative or friend. A change of heart.
	Hands-on healing. Feelings change.
5 of Diamonds	A pending court case. Money changing hands.
	Property and/or real estate. Spending money.
	Expenses. Paying bills. Physical changes

	(body). Financial changes and/or activity. Affidavits and petitions. Probate court.
5 of Clubs	A change in work or business. A job change. A job interview. Working with your hands. Sports and/or competitive events. A return to the working world. Meetings and introductions. A deal: "Let's shake on it."
5 of Spades	Separation or split. Surgical procedures. Handling sharp objects. Cutting your hand. Precision and accuracy. Being forced to stand on your own two feet (independence). A change of mind or mindset.

### Sixes

Communication. Responsibility. Balance. The sixth sense.

6 of Hearts	Study. Enlightenment. A male relative or
	friend. Masculine energy. Emotional
	responsibility (taking responsibility for
	emotional reactions and responses).
	Communicating how you feel.
6 of Diamonds	Astrology. Psychology. Metaphysical and
	occult sciences. Computers and technology.
6 of Clubs	The act of reading (books and/or cards). A
	novelist and/or author. Public speaking. A
	book tour. Giving and/or receiving advice.
6 of Spades	Pruning. Eliminating "dead wood." A difficult
	conversation. Talking about a problem.
	Progress.

#### Sevens

Spirituality. Psychology. The metaphysical, esoteric, and occult. Improvement. Stagnation. Self-awareness. Personal insight. Meditation and contemplation.

7 of Hearts	Second chances. A pleasant surprise. Spiritual healing. Feeling better.
7 of Diamonds	Investment of time, energy, and resources. A return on investment. Reaping a harvest. Reaping what you sow. Financial improvement.
7 of Clubs	Hard work. Working hard. Having one's nose to the grindstone. Small difficulties. Effort put into improving a situation. Spiritual work or business.
7 of Spades	Setback. Stagnation. Delay. Difficulty improving a problem. Spiritual crisis. A need for faith. Medication. Addiction and/or addictive behavior. A need to learn and/or develop patience.

# **Eights**

Power. Abundance. Business. Organization. Money. Wealth. Infinity. Eternity. Justice.

8 of Hearts	Guardian angel. Justice. Feeling the need to do the right thing. Fairness. Trust, faith, and optimism. Strong and powerful emotions.
8 of Diamonds	Financial records. Bookkeeping and/or accounting. Eyeglasses. A sight to be seen (spectacle). A financial organization.

8 of Clubs	Conversations about the work one does.
	Business meetings and conferences. The
	business of life. Organizational types of work.
	A professional organizer. A job or business
	offer. A presentation. Elevator pitch.
8 of Spades	An investigation. Headaches and migraines.
	Injustice. Disorganization. A financial
	challenge.

### Nines

Gain. Attainment. Wisdom gained through experience. Lessons learned. Wrapping things up.

9 of Hearts	The wish card. Wish fulfillment. Emotional gain and/or attainment.
9 of Diamonds	Material gain and/or attainment. Unexpected money coming in. Psychic ability. The wishes
	of others being put on you. Electricity. Change at hand.
9 of Clubs	The "distance" card. Coming a long way (making great progress). Something a long way off. Something "down the road." An emotional, spiritual, or psychological journey. A long time in coming.
9 of Spades	Loss. Disappointment.

#### Tens

Transitions. Endings and beginnings. Success. Abundance. Potential excess. Too much of a good thing.

10 of Hearts	Entertainment. Concerts. Movie theaters.
	Venues in which large groups of people
	gather. A "stage" in life.
10 of Diamonds	The career card. A career transition. A
	promotion. An investment that yields a big
	return. Ascension. Contact with the spirit
	world. A lot of money.
10 of Clubs	A lot of work. Job or business success. Small
	business. A business trip. A trip over water.
10 of Spades	Emotional upset. Crying; tears. Fear of
	failure. The subconscious mind.

### Jacks

Young people of either gender. News and messages. Messengers. Learning stage of development. Thoughts.

Jack of Hearts	A son or daughter. A beloved child. Someone favored. An emotional or spiritual message. The Christ Consciousness card. Making a sacrifice. A spiritual teacher and/or healer. Do not crucify the messenger for the message.
Jack of Diamonds	Spirit communication. A medium. A message from beyond. Valuable information. News regarding a material matter or concern.
Jack of Clubs	News and messages being broadcasted to the public. Public service announcements.

	Social messaging. News media. Podcasts. An employee. An intern. Working in radio. Voice over work. Being vocal. Advertising and marketing.
Jack of Spades	A spy. An investigator. A troublemaker. News or messages regarding a problem. A need to take a closer look within a situation or experience.

### Queens

Adult women. Authority. Female authority figures. Caring and nurturing. Feminine attributes and aspects.

Queen of Hearts	A wife and/or mother. A loving, caring, and nurturing woman. An intuitive woman. A religious or spiritual woman. A domesticated woman. A beloved woman. A woman who cares for children.
Queen of Diamonds	The "Earth Mama" card. A stepmother. A mother-in-law. A herbologist. A nature lover. An environmentalist.
Queen of Clubs	A businesswoman. A woman who is helpful to others. A sociable woman. A public figure.
Queen of Spades	A single woman. A woman who is separated, divorced, or widowed. A woman who is distant and aloof. A difficult or problematic woman. Someone "shady."

## Kings

Adult men. Power. Control. Authority. Male authority figures. Mastery. Masculine attributes and aspects.

King of Hearts	A husband and/or father. A religious or spiritual leader. A clergyman. A beloved man and leader. One who leads with his heart. A mentor. A man who works with children. A man who sees the power of the future generation.
King of Diamonds	An entrepreneur. A wealthy man. Mastery of the material. An appreciation for the finer things in life. A man with the "Midas Touch." A man who works in real estate or the financial sector.
King of Clubs	A businessman. A helpful man. A socially conscious man. A business leader and authority. A boss, manager, or supervisor.
King of Spades	A "man of robes." A single man. A separated, divorced, or widowed man. A man in the legal and/or law enforcement professions. Going before the judge. Working with Universal Laws. The Law of Cause and Effect. Mental mastery. Critical thinking.

# Jokers

Wild cards.

Little Joker (Red)	Unexpected journeys. Crossroads. A leap of
	faith. New outlook. New direction. Telling the

	truth using humor. Learning to laugh at situations and experiences. A comedian.
Big Joker (Black)	A major shake-up. Destructive changes. Releasing old ideas and habits. Internal and
	external cleansing processes.