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Queen of Wands



Keywords: Optimistic woman

The attributes of the adult woman represented by this card are enthusiasm, warmth, optimism and a buoyant natural ability to lead. They are cheerful and don't see the point in sarcasm or fashionably ironic cynicism. At their most dynamic, their enthusiasm for life is contagious and they can lead without trying, merely by the spontaneous charm of their sunny dispositions. At their least attractive, they can appear alarmingly shallow and gratingly chipper, however, especially if their desire for the entire world to be hap-hap-happy gets frustrated.

They are the first to sign up for the office softball team, but also the organizers of all those depressing office money collections. They will show up at your house with a casserole if a family member is ill, but will also insist everyone gather around your piano and sing (badly) at your Christmas party. They tend to be athletic and enjoy the outdoors, also having a natural affinity for children and animals, who respond in kind to them. They make great, dependably upbeat friends if you can overlook their total inability to see The Dark Side of anything.

As advice, the Oracle tells us that this matter will be decided by a warm, enthusiastic woman--this could be you!

Another interesting facet of the Queen of Wands is her association with cats--the Rider-Waite card shows us a small cat at the Queen's feet, and due to that, this card can refer to the Seeker's cat(s). Be aware of that.

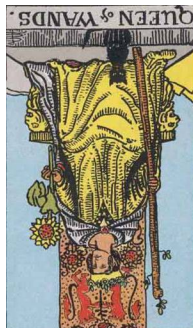
In romantic readings, these are fun and always-smiling lovers with natural physical grace and a clear delight in their own bodies as well as their lover's. They may not be the most beautiful woman in the room, but they somehow manage to be the sexiest, drawing the interest of men away from prettier women without even trying. They attract others to them in a moth-to-flame sort of way, since we are all charmed by their optimistic outlook and secretly hope it will rub off on us if we stand a little closer. They will also utterly beguile your children and pets.

Their idea of a perfect date would be a long, long walk on the beach or in the woods during which they will constantly notice little bits and pieces of nature's wonders, followed by a healthy (possibly vegetarian) dinner and great sex. Does it get better than that? One doubts it . . .

In a reading specifically about sex, these women intuitively understand sex and are able to provide great pleasure while still enjoying themselves. Graceful and creative in bed, they bring out the sex-machine in any guy.

As an Outcome card, a cheerful, optimistic woman will have great influence on how this matter resolves itself. This most likely is someone the Seeker knows, although it may be the Seeker, herself, in which case her natural optimism will be very important in her reaching a positive resolution on this matter. A clarification card can also be drawn to indicate how this person--or the Seeker--will decide the issue.

Reversed Queen of Wands



Keyword: Self-involved woman

Reversed, this card signifies the attributes of selfishness and self-absorption. When the Wands energy gets turned in on itself, it creates a kind of intense inner whirlpool that seems to suck energy out of others with constant demands and a never-satisfied attitude. These women are apt to see life as a series of confrontations that they are determined to win, even when "winning" seems pointless. The Wands physicality can also turn into narcissism when the card is reversed, and the buoyant health of the upright card can turn into preening and self-indulgence.

These are the women who drive us nuts with their continual neediness, who seem to never rest, much less sleep, and call us at two A.M. because they just had a silly brawl with their husbands.

Reversed Wands cards can always signify pointless churning on a matter, and these women spend much of their lives unable to focus or sit still long enough to work anything out. They are the ones who need relaxation videos and meditation the most, and are--sadly--the least likely to seek out either.

If this card refers to the Seeker, herself, she is having difficulty being optimistic about the question at hand and may feel she's been too selfish and demanding regarding it. She may think that her efforts are pointless and wasted or that she has allowed things to reach a confrontation stage when a softer approach may have been better. In general, it shows a lot of anxiety around the question, which may or may not be justified.

As guidance: Events are in the hands of a demanding woman--if this is you, your attitude is correct under the circumstances.

In romantic readings, reversed, all that Wands enthusiasm becomes selfishness and petty griping. These are the women for whom men have many colorful and descriptive terms, who tease and flirt but really are just wasting your time, stroking their own egos at your expense.

This card shows a great deal of self-doubt around the relationship. Possibly, someone needs to take time to evaluate this situation quietly.

Sexually, reversed, this card indicates a selfish and demanding woman who is too much in love with her own body to much care about yours. Here the Wands potential for great sexual energy gets turned into self-conscious preening and a "look at me, aren't I beautiful?" attitude.

If this card refers to the Seeker's own sexually, then it shows that she feels very unsure and self-conscious about her sexual relationship. This could manifest as doubting her own self-worth and attractiveness or as anything that is interfering with her ability to relax and enjoy sex.

Reversed, in the Outcome position, this card indicates that a demanding, selfish woman will have a very large impact on how this matter turns out. A clarifying card can show what her effect will be.

If the card refers to the Seeker, herself, it can indicate that she is concerned about appearing too demanding, but that she actually needs to look out for Number 1 on this matter and be more demanding in order to get what she wants. Always draw a clarifying card to see if being selfish will bring good or bad results.

All the Kings and Queens, reversed, in the Outcome position indicate people under a lot of stress. When they refer to the Seeker, a reader needs to remember that the Oracle wishes to help the Seeker find the correct path to a favorable outcome, for her. The Tarot offers guidance and advice, and is answering the implied question, "How can I make my wish happen on this matter?" with every reading, not simply showing what will be, no matter what. For that reason, it can use the Court Cards, both upright and reversed, to show where the Seeker should focus her energies for the best possible outcome. When referring to the Seeker, herself, the upright Queen of Wands advises a positive, optimistic stance, while the reversed card can point out that she needs to be clearer about her own needs in this matter.