

## Ace of Scepters

Upright: Inspiration, new opportunities, growth, potential Reversed: An emerging idea, lack of direction, distractions, delays

As an Ace, Ace of Scepters brings pure potential-in the spiritual, energetic realm. Ideas are flowing to you easily and effortlessly. You feel motivated and inspired to pursue a new path. You are open to receive new opportunities that are in alignment with you. Ace of Scepters offers you encouragement to follow your heart and live your passion. If you are feeling a strong calling towards a new path but are questioning the call, this card gives you a gentle nudge to follow your passion. Be guided by your energy, passion, and motivation.

In the Ace of Scepters image, you will see the red scepter as well as three burning candles-representing both the spark needed to begin and the actual start of a new spiritual/creative endeavor. An Aztec-styled statue who is focused on his intent represents the spiritual self. Ace of Scepters encourages you to listen to your instincts and follow your gut. Keep in mind, however, that Aces represent potential but not guaranteed results. Ace of Scepters, and any Ace for that matter, is a seed of potential. It is like the spark that is needed to fuel a huge fire, but you must work hard to build the fire up. Ace of Scepters can appear when you have been presented with an opportunity to grow on a personal or spiritual level. Trust that this experience will open you up to even more possibility, even if you can't see it all just yet.

All of the Fire Zodiacs, Leo, Aries and Sagittarius, have been added to Ace of Scepters. Fire is infused with the divine spark. The fire element is one of spontaneity, inspiration, intuition, and big passions. Fire signs are prone to sudden, illuminating flashes of insight and bursts of enthusiasm. Fire signs are known to be intuitive and rely on gut instincts.

Zodiac: Leo, Aries, and Sagittarius Element: Fire Color: Red

## Two of Scepters



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Upright: Future planning, progress, decisions, discovery Reversed: Personal goals, inner alignment, fear of unknown, lack of planning

Two of Scepters takes the spark of inspiration from Ace of Scepters and turns it into a clear action plan so that you can bring your idea into fruition. You have been through the discovery phase and you know what you want to manifest-now you need to work out how. You are exploring your options and carefully planning your path ahead, taking into account all possibilities and potential challenges. You are open to growth. When Two of Scepters appears in a Tarot reading, you are not ready to take action just yet. You need a clear plan that you feel comfortable with before moving ahead. Two of Scepters is also about discovery, particularly as you step outside of your comfort zone and explore new worlds and new experiences. It may take some courage to take the first step, but this card gives you the confidence of self-knowledge. Let your intuition and passion guide you as you confirm your next steps.

This card shows the patience and focus of your intent. Showing a female back, she faces away with two Aztec/Mexican style scepters nearby. The globe shape represents horizons. Butterflies represent transformation, death, and rebirth. Twos in Tarot often represent decisions of some sort. In the case of Two of Scepters, you may be making a decision about expanding your horizons and taking a risk. You know that the world has to offer you something bigger or more meaningful. For you to be able to grow and maximize your potential, it is imperative you step out into a new world and explore your options. It may take some courage to take the first step. The first sign of the Zodiac, Aries are the explorers. Passionate, independent, loyal, smart, and impulsive, Aries won't be satisfied until their work, social life, and personal lives line up exactly with the dream life they've envisioned.



Three of Scepters

Upright: Progress, expansion, foresight, courage Reversed: Playing small, lack of foresight, unexpected delays

Three of Scepters indicates your plans are now well underway and you are starting to consider even more opportunities to expand your current plans and maximize the potential of your future. Three of Scepters shows there are many opportunities available to you to expand your horizons through study, travel, business enterprise, and learning. To take advantage of this potential, you must stay committed to your path and be prepared to stretch outside of your comfort zone. You are being encouraged to become a visionary and to dream beyond your current limitations. Three of Scepters also brings your attention to the changes and challenges that lie ahead and are associated with expanding your horizons and entering new territories.

A proud, female figure with her back turned looks out to sea, a ship offshore in the distance. Tribal Aztec tattoos are on her back and forearm. One staff/scepter is held close while the other two are stabbed in the ground, indicating some goals/adventures achieved and others still to come. Given the image of land and sea in this card, Three of Scepters can sometimes indicate travel, especially overseas or over a body of water. This card encourages adventure and travel to unknown places so that you can discover more about yourself and learn many new things along the way.

Leo, the Nemean lion with an impenetrable hide, full of courage and passion, is ready to take on new adventures & discoveries.



## Four of Scepters

Upright: Celebration, marriage, joy, harmony, home, community Reversed: Personal celebration, inner harmony, conflict with others, transition.

Four of Scepters is a card of joyful celebration, blissful happiness, and appreciation for the good things in life. When this card appears in a Tarot reading, it is the perfect time to celebrate with your friends and family. You may be celebrating a major event or milestone such as a wedding, birthday, homecoming or family gathering. Four of Scepters can indicate you are returning home or returning to people and places familiar to you. This is a time of feeling supported and secure. Given Four of Wands is closely associated with the home environment, this card indicates after a period of rapid growth and expansion (i.e. the energy of the Three of Scepters) it's now time to pause and celebrate what you have achieved so far. Dia de los Muertos is indicated with the celebration cups in the skull style. The couple is wearing Mexican style wedding outfits. The red scepters, the red flowers of the bouquet, and the passionate kiss all show the fire of this card.

In numerology, four symbolizes stability and firm foundations, and in the case of Four of Scepters, you are now enjoying a period of happiness and stability. This card indicates a sense of harmony and balance as well as completion, and thus symbolizes a time of peace and joy in life that comes as the result of often difficult and challenging efforts.

Four of Scepters is a card of joyful celebration and blissful happiness. You may be celebrating a major event or milestone, such as a wedding. Aries are amazing lovers: versatile, passionate, and always invested in the moment. When it comes to love, Aries are all about initial attraction. They can sense chemistry in the first sentence uttered by a potential partner. Forthright and unabashed, an Aries will do everything in their power to go after someone they want.



## Five of Scepters

Upright: Conflict, disagreements, competition, tension, diversity Reversed: Inner conflict, conflict avoidance, tension release

In the Tarot, Fives typically represent conflict and change. Five of Scepters indicates you are in the midst of conflict, tension, and competition with others and it is impacting your ability to move forward with your goals. With Five of Scepters, everyone is fighting to be heard and voice their opinions. There are deep misunderstandings. If you are presented with this situation, you have an opportunity to rise above the chaos and disorder and take a moment to listen to what the others have to say. Perhaps they may also give you the respect you're seeking and listen to your viewpoint. Five of Scepters also encourages diversity and differences of opinion. Know that each person has something unique to bring to the table and you will benefit by learning more about them and what they have to offer.

In a traditional tarot image and modern steam-punk style, there are five red Aztec-styled scepters. Each with a steam-punk "clock" inside. Time seems always to be a conflict or need in our modern day time. The woman has a butterfly over her mouth as she has trouble asking for what she wants/needs or has trouble in speaking her mind/truth of who she is.

Sagittarius, the archer, forms the bridge or direction between her heart (what she wants) and speaking the truth. Five of Scepters encourages an enthusiastic approach to change. Your challenge will be in ensuring everyone is on the same page and focused on dealing with this change constructively and positively. Currently, scattered energy results from misdirected enthusiasm. Everyone has many ideas, but no one is yet bringing them into one logical path forward. Your role may be to identify a clear strategy and purpose that can be implemented by all involved.

Zodiac: Sagittarius Element: Fire Color: Red



## Six of Scepters

Upright: Success, public recognition, progress, self-confidence Reversed: Private achievement, personal definition of success, fall from grace, egotism

Six of Scepters appears when you have reached an important milestone or achieved a significant goal and you are feeling confident, self-assured, and successful. You have overcome challenges along the way and as a result of focusing your energies on one goal, you have found success. Six of Scepters suggests not only have you succeeded in achieving your goal, but you are also being publicly acknowledged for your efforts. You may have recently received an award, public acclaim, or acknowledgment from your peers for the work you have done. Six of Scepters also encourages you to be proud of what you have achieved. Do not let fear or guilt stand in the way of your success. Six of Scepters is positive encouragement to believe in who you are and your accomplishments.

Six of Scepters is a blend of traditional Tarot and Dia de los Muertos imagery. This image of six, red Aztec scepters, a skull with a charging white horse, and a wreath of laurel indicate victory and celebration of achievement. While Six of Scepters marks an important milestone, keep in mind that you're not quite at the finish line yet. There is still some way to go, and there may be challenges on the path ahead.

Leo is a proud lion. People born under the Leo sign are natural born leaders. There is a specific strength of Leo and its "King of the Jungle" status. Leos are dramatic, creative, self-confident, dominant, extremely difficult to resist, and able to achieve anything they want to in any area of life they commit to. However when a Leo representative becomes too fond and attached to their achievements and the way other people see them, this Leo becomes an easy target and ready to be taken down.



Seven of Scepters

Upright: Challenge, competition, protection, perseverance Reversed: Exhaustion, giving up, overwhelmed

After the success of Six of Scepters, you are now in an enviable position and are being challenged by others who want to take your place. You have worked hard to get where you are, but there are people who want what you have and are prepared to fight you for it. Others see your success and will either challenge you on your point of view or want to take you down. When Seven of Scepters appears in a Tarot reading, you will need to protect your territory and fight for what you stand for. Seven of Scepters can also indicate a challenge to the success of a creative project from an external source. Someone or something may be getting in the way of you being able to pursue your goals and dreams. While it appears to block your path forward, you can overcome this challenge or obstacle by drawing upon your strong self-confidence, self-belief, and continual self-improvement. Establish clear boundaries. Hold your ground, take a stand, and defend your position at all costs. This will take courage and persistence, but you have the strength and determination to do it.

The figure is styled in a Dia de los Muertos and defensive posture. Seven red scepters seem to be coming at her trying to knock her from her position. The Zodiac sign of Sagittarius points toward the middle or desired position she is trying to maintain. Sometimes this threat or opposition may catch you by surprise and you feel inadequately prepared for such a battle. To be better prepared next time, Seven of Scepters encourages you to map out any potential threats or risks before moving ahead with your plans.

Sagittarius-born are brave and full of confidence. They can take on the most difficult challenges in life much more efficiently than most other signs. One important reason for their positivity lies in their open-mindedness.

Zodiac: Sagittarius Element: Fire Color: Red

## **Eight of Scepters**



Eight of Scepters

Upright: Movement, fast paced change, action, alignment, air travel Reversed: Delays, frustration, resisting change, internal alignment

Eight of Scepters indicates the struggles of Seven of Scepters have now all but cleared and you have the freedom and space to move forward with your plans. Eight of Scepters contains a high level of energy and movement that propels you forward to reach your goals at a much faster pace. Everything is moving very quickly right now, so make the most of this forward momentum and rapid action to manifest your goals and dreams. Allow the energy of the universe to flow through you and propel you closer to your goal. Eight of Scepters also invites you to be focused with your intentions and actions. Get clear about what you want to manifest, then align your resources and energy to focus on a particular goal.

The scepters in this image are arrows indicating flight and action. Feathers further the flight and action motif and are wrapped in green leaves and vines to to signify growth. This is a modern-day Diana, or archer, with a bow and white stag. The wolf skull-shaped cameo at her neck is a subtle nod to Dia de los Muertos. This card is an action-oriented card, encouraging you to move quickly to pursue the best opportunities available right now.

The story of the Lion, or Leo, is always a story of bravery. You must turn towards your challenge and embrace your story. Trying to slow things down because you're not ready or you're fearful about the unknown will just create a wasted opportunity. Use the momentum instead to fuel positive change and create your desired results.

Zodiac: Leo Element: Fire Color: Red

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## Nine of Scepters

Upright: Resilience, courage, persistence, test of faith, boundaries Reversed: Inner resources, struggle, overwhelm, defensive, paranoia

Nine of Scepters comes to signify that even in the face of adversity, you stand tall and strong. You may be on the edge of exhaustion, but you are resilient. This card may also come at a time when you feel battered and bruised, having endured significant challenges and struggles along your path. Nine of Scepters asks you to trust that this is simply a test of your resilience and know that every time you overcome an obstacle, you are getting stronger and clearer about what you truly stand for. Finally, the advice of Nine of Scepters is to establish your boundaries and then fiercely protect those boundaries. If you have allowed others to stand in your way or deplete your energy, it is likely you have not asserted yourself effectively to protect yourself. Get clear on what you need in this situation to be successful and reach your goals, then communicate those needs to others and establish boundaries.

For this image, nine red, Aztec scepters stand behind and in the grasp of a crouching woman in warrior's clothing. She is beaten down but not totally surrendering. She is showing resilience and courage. The raven skull and the skeletal wing structure with feathers give a nod to Dia de los Muertos imagery. This woman warrior is worn down from a long battle, perhaps close to death or illness but not giving up. Nine of Scepters encourages you to keep pushing-you are close to the finish line. Even if you feel like giving up, this is a final challenge before you reach your goal-so don't let go of your hopes and dreams. You are so close to making them a reality. Stand firm and strong against your challenges, you will achieve your goal.

The zodiac sign Leo is represented by the brave and mighty Lion. Fight for what you want. Don't give up or give in. Be brave, be bold, be badass. Bring out that warrior/fighter that is always within.

# Ten of Scepters



## Ten of Scepters

Upright: Burden, extra responsibility, hard work, completion Reversed: Doing it all, carrying the burden, delegation, release

Ten of Scepters indicates you are are taking on extra burden, a heavier workload, or greater responsibility. Sometimes, Ten of Scepters appears when you are unconsciously taking on extra responsibility and finding yourself feeling weighed down, exhausted, and burnt out. You may be trying to do everything at once, even though you know it is adding extra pressure to your daily life. Ten of Scepters asks you to stop and examine your current lifestyle or work. You may need to employ various time management or prioritization methods in order to determine where best to spend your time. Ten of Scepters can also indicate that even with the achievement of your goal, there are great responsibilities and commitments that come with it. When you reach a point of completion, you become starkly aware that you must carry on with the responsibilities you have laid out for yourself in order to ensure ongoing success.

For Ten of Scepters' image, the incorporation of Dia de los Muertos is shown through the red skull tattoo on the woman's neck, the white ceremonial roses, and the skeleton "bracelet" on her hand. A look of heavy responsibility and worry is on her face. Red Aztec scepters represent the things on her mind and her worry. The Tens in Tarot represent the completion of a cycle, and with Ten of Scepters, the end is in sight! You have been pushing yourself to your limits and working very hard towards your goal. Now, you are taking those final steps on the path to realizing your dreams.

The Zodiac sign Leo is empowered by its Tarot card, the Strength card of the Major Arcane. In most Tarot decks, a lion is featured prominently on this card, representing an obvious relationship with Leo. Though the Strength card is not only about physical strength, but it also illustrates strength of heart, mind, and soul. In Ten of Scepters, Leo's endurance and unwavering self-confidence carry us through the longest and hottest days of the year, while keeping us optimistic for all that's still to come.



#### Daughter of Scepters

Upright: Inspiration, ideas, discovery, limitless potential, free spirit Reversed: Newly-formed ideas, redirecting energy, self-limiting beliefs, a spiritual path

Daughter of Scepters indicates you are a free spirit with a passion for life! You are filled with new ideas and inspiration about what is possible. You do not necessarily have a solid plan in place, nor do you really know where you are headed, but you do know that you are excited about the possibilities. You have a gift for being able to dream up new creative ideas without being limited or weighed down by the burdens of everyday life. The emergence of Daughter of Scepters indicates you are experiencing a creative restlessness within you that is just waiting for some sort of expression. You have experienced a creative spark, and now you are keen to turn your vision into reality. You may need to map out how you will do this, or you may need to test your ideas by creating a few experiments before fully committing. Daughter of Scepters can appear when a spiritual path or journey may be calling you.

Daughter of Scepters symbolizes enthusiasm, exploration, discovery, and a free spirit. The Dia de los Muertos-style young, female portrait has skeletal paint on her face, neck, and shirt with a red and black polka-dot Spanish fan. The salamander represents transformation, magic, and fire. She effortlessly balances the red, Aztec scepter, and the symbol of Sagittarius is tattooed on her arm. When a spiritual path or journey may be calling, you have a curious mind and are intrigued to see where it may lead. You are very much the novice when it comes to this spiritual calling, but you are open to new experiences and new levels of consciousness.

Sagittarius, enthusiastic and ever-juggling of ideas, is the mutable Fire sign. The Fire element means you are an intuitive type, motivated by enthusiasms, mental inspiration, and the search for knowledge. The quest for a breadth of experience and knowledge of the world around you are the way your fire flames.

Zodiac: Sagittarius Color: Red Element: Fire

## **Warrior of Scepters**



## Warrior of Scepters

Upright: Energy, passion, inspired action, adventure, impulsiveness Reversed: Passion project, haste, scattered energy, delays, frustration

Warrior of Scepters indicates the actual pursuit of an idea. When this card appears in a Tarot reading, you are charged up with energy, passion, motivation, and enthusiasm. You are channeling these energies through your inspired action. You are bold, courageous, and willing to go into unknown territories to further your mission and your dreams. You don't really care if there is danger ahead-in fact, if there is, then it becomes all the more exciting and thrilling for you. You can do anything you put your attention on. Be a pioneer and take calculated risks.

For this image, a great Warrior blends both Dia de los Muertos make-up with the older tradition of an Aztec or Mayan headdress and shield. The plumes from Warrior of Scepter's headdress and face paint are the color of flame, the color associated with the fire element, and show his passion. The Warrior's face bears the confidence, determination, and his quest for success. He holds an Aztec shield covered with the symbol of the fiery and magical salamander, the circular design moving forward against all obstacles and danger. Be mindful that Warrior of Scepters can express himself as an 'act first, think later' type of person. In your pursuit for action, you may be impulsive and impatient. You may not have a clear plan of attack, negatively impacting your chances of long-term success. Find a way to focus your energy and enthusiasm on the activities that will move you closer to your goal.

The astrological sign Leo, or the Lion, is the most "fiery" or passionate of all the astrological signs. Leo is prideful and self confident; he knows who he is and is ready to take action. Your passion, enthusiasm, courage, and confidence is highly attractive to others. Energy, passion, lust, action, adventure, and sometimes impulsiveness are the characteristics he wears.

Zodiac: Leo Color: Red Element: Fire



## Queen of Scepters

Upright: Courage, confidence, independence, social grace, determination Reversed: Self-respect, self-confidence, introverted, re-establish sense of self

Queen of Scepters reminds you that you are confident, courageous, and determined. You are here to see through your creative visions and life purpose, even in the face of adversity and challenge. You are also highly self-actualized and self-aware, knowing how to best channel your strengths and your weaknesses so that you can achieve your goals. Queen of Scepters stands for knowing what you want and knowing how to get it, a master at engaging with others to achieve goals. Stay fiercely determined and focused on these goals. Queen of Scepters asks you to be bold and courageous in your undertakings and actions. Don't be afraid to own your true power and put it out into the world. Believe so much in yourself and what you stand for that you are unafraid to speak up and be heard. Others will be drawn in by your energy, passion, and enthusiasm. You have an ability to express your passions with great authenticity and courage. No-one will silence you.

Queen of Scepter's face is half painted in Dia de los Muertos make-up with a red moon behind her. In a proud and royal stance, she wears Spanish-style full dress and holds the red scepter as her royal staff. The moth in the image symbolize magic and endings. Moths balance the more sinister, nocturnal shadow side to the bright butterfly of our psyches. Both symbolize intense transformation of death and rebirth. Queen of Scepters encourages you to get to know your shadow self-the lesser known and sometimes darker side of who you really are. This doesn't necessarily have to be a negative aspect of yourself. While you may want to hide this part of yourself, Queen of Scepters encourages you to express this side more openly with others-don't be afraid to show your dark side every now and then. It will make you more real and authentic and will help you to connect on a deeper level with others. The first sign of the Zodiac, Aries are trailblazers. Passionate and independent, Aries never do something just because everyone else is doing it. Their fiery temper can be an asset. When Aries are angry, they never play the passive-aggressive card. Aries always tell you what they're thinking with a frankness that may occasionally border on rudeness. But even if Aries seems overly blunt with their opinion, that's only because the Ram values honesty above all else.



## King of Scepters

Upright: Natural-born leader, grand visions, long-term success Reversed: Poor leadership, aggressive goals, high expectations, personal direction

King of Scepters represents pure fire energy in its masculine form. Unlike the other Scepters court cards, the King is not so interested in creation and creativity. Instead, he is more inclined to take an idea and enlist others to help him actualize that idea. Thus, when King of Scepters appears in a Tarot reading, it is a sign that you are stepping into the role of visionary leader, ready to lead your people towards a common goal. You have a clear vision of where you want to go and now you are manifesting that vision with the support of the people around you. Others naturally gravitate towards you because of your charisma, focus, and determination, and they believe in you and your vision. King of Scepters reminds you to lead your life with intent, vision, and a long-term view.

King of Scepters holds a red Aztec-styled scepter, representing life and creativity. The intricate embroidery of his Mexican ceremonial wedding-style suit and sombrero symbolize infinity and the ongoing drive to move forward against all obstacles. This King is led by the Zodiac sign of Leo, symbolizing fire and strength. The red and orange sash at his waist is bright like a flame-the flame of life, creativity, and strength. The appearance of King of Scepters also suggests that an opportunity is presenting itself to you, and you now have the power to accept this opportunity and take on the challenge. You can create any outcome you wish, so be mindful about your intentions and vision. You hold the power.

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