



The Belly Dancers Oracle TM

An Oracle for Belly Dancers and Lovers of Symbols of the Middle East

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Before you begin...I wish to bid you Welcome. In Arabic lands...we say "*Marhaba*" ..."*Hello*"!

I also wish to say "Shukran", "Thank You" for making this oracle a part of your life as well as your tool for gaining answers about life's many mysteries.

I created this deck at the request of my Spirit Guides. My beloved Guides were answering my own question about the way that I could "marry" my love and career in Middle Eastern Dance, with my calling as a Psychic, a Medium and a Tarot Reader.

I have danced all my life and have enjoyed nearly 15 Years as a Belly Dancer and Belly Dance teacher. Many dancers will tell you that there is nothing closer to prayer or the Divine than when we dance.

My natural pull towards both Spirit and the Ancient Spiritual symbols of the Middle East were a match made in Oracle heaven!

And now it is time for you to take a moment to "bond" with your new deck. Look at each card and make note of what it 'says' to you...not only what *I* have been guided to write about each symbol, but what it means to *you*...The Reader! This "intuitive" knowledge will go a long way towards making this deck a VERY rich, rewarding, fulfilling and accurate part of your Divination, meditative or Reading practice.

There are many ways to use this deck. And...there is no 'right' or 'wrong' way to use it!

If you are new to Reading, you may wish to use a recommended spread from this booklet. You will find a 'standard' 3 card spread as well as ones designed just for this Oracle!

As a suggestion, you may wish to begin by creating a sacred space for reading...a quiet area with, perhaps incense burning, a candle lit and no additional energy around you to distract you from your divination!

I use a special 'Reading Table' for my clients, I also have a 'spread cloth' (like a table cloth) to protect the deck from being scratched.

Your deck comes complete with its own carrying pouch...but feel free to make a special bag or even a decorated box to honor your favorite new deck!

Some readers, like myself, use crystals to enhance the reading experience! Amethyst is known for opening up your psychic abilities and quartz crystals for focus. If you want to 'clean' your deck 'energetically', using Selenite is a terrific crystal!

Where to begin? Read for yourself OR others! This deck is perfect for introspective souls as well as those eager to assist their fellow Energies!

Already a Reader? You may wish to pull a single card each day to receive guidance on something that may need your attention. You may also read a full spread, make up your own spreads or use another method to gain answers, direction and affirmation from this deck.

A quick word about "reversals". This deck wasn't meant to be read using reversals...it is all about "the positive", or using the energy around ourselves to *SOLVE* problems that have been presented. However...if you prefer to read reversals you certainly can by using the 'opposite' or 'negative' values to those that are given on each card and in this digital booklet.

Whatever you do...it is correct and Appreciated by your Higher Self! It is your journey...how you are guided is between you and your angels...just..enjoy!

- *With Love and Wishes for Abundance and Peace...*

Gia

The Card Meanings...

1. **Diva- The Star performer or Beloved teacher. Practical, business like, deals with the facts of the matter, knowledge & education. Represents our logical self or a person who is logical.**
2. **Goddess-Dancer who evokes spiritual connection thru dance. Spiritual matters, grounded, Earthy, Higher Self, Metaphysical. Represents our more Divine self or a religious person.**
3. **Cabaret- Bright & sparkly life of the party type. Suggests a celebration or good time is near. Modern.**
4. **Tribal- Grounded, earthy. Truth, loyalty. Root Chakra**
5. **Egyptian -Evoking ancient culture, thoughts, ideals. Traditions, values, magical abilities. Honored by time.**
6. **Turkish- Unbridled emotion, enthusiasm, uninhibited. Free spirit, great energy.**
7. **Troupe- Unity, family, sisterhood. Bonding, also a social or work group. Social events, parties, gatherings.**
8. **Zills- Time to make some noise, get noticed, let yourself be heard. Speaking or hearing lies...or the truth! Needing to listen to hear what you need to know! Throat Chakra.**
9. **Veil- Time for quiet introspections, meditation, reflection. Listen to your Higher Self! Femininity, illusion.**
10. **Wings- Breaking free, travel, movement, easy passage, connection to Angels & divine energy. Crown Chakra.**
11. **Sword- Finding balance. Concern about being hurt or hurting others, need for protection, decisions, problems or issues that need attention.**
12. **Shamedan - Lighting the way, a vision of the future, a concern about the weight of the world on you, or a heavy burden.**
13. **Tagine- Nourishing, feeding the body & senses. Creation, sharing, joining, bringing together.**
14. **Mint Tea- Time for Rest. Calming the senses, soothing. Too much activity.**
15. **Turkish Coffee- Enlivening the senses. Strength, power. Boldness, clear speaking.**
16. **Kabob- getting to the heart of the matter/skewering through. Getting priorities straight.**
17. **Dessert- Sweets for a sweet person. A well deserved treat, surprise or party.**
18. **Henna/Mehndi- Sacred tradition, beauty, artfulness. temporary change, public acknowledgment**
19. **Jewelry-Gilding the lily, adornment, opulence, a gift, anticipation of gifts.**
20. **Bindi- Acknowledging the 3rd eye Chakra, a clairvoyant person, ability to see clearly, cultural sensitivity**
21. **Perfume- Anointing. Enlivening the sense of smell. Attracting others. Romance coming or lingering.**
22. **The Costume- Focus on the physical. Sacral Chakra. Rite of passage. making choices.**

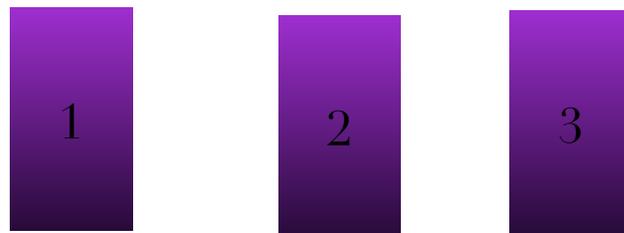
23. Eye of Horus-Protection, power, all-seeing, Intuition. rising above pettiness.
24. The Magic Lamp-the Wish Card! Make a Wish! Guidance from a Spirited source! Genie magic!!!
25. Hamsa- Loving unseen guiding forces assuring your success and protection. Connection to Divine Energy.
26. Evil Eye/Nazar- Ultimate protection from envious eyes. Ideas. Psychic sense.
27. The Scarab-tough but beautiful, intriguing, fascinating, Fast, mystical abilities
28. Habibti- The Sweetheart card. Love...the BIG romance. Dating. A lover. Heart Chakra
29. Aiwa! -The big Yes! Affirmation. Forward Movement, positive energy!
30. La! -The big No! Denial, reversal of a situation. Negative energy.
31. Yallah-Lets go! Get yourself moving, inspire others, rushing, hurrying, wanting more. Greed.
32. Shukran/Afwan -Giving and/or receiving thanks, showing gratitude. Manners, grace. Being social.
33. Sun- Power or powerful person. Positive Forces. Energy. new Beginnings, new path. The Heart Chakra
34. Moon-Glamor, illusion, romantic thoughts. Non-reality. Fantasies.
35. Stars-Realization of wishes and dreams. Pushing for bigger goals. Reaching for bigger aspirations.
36. The Ankh- Spirituality. Religious life. Life or Death. End of one path and beginning of another.
37. Magic Carpet-Fantastic adventure is beginning. Earthly desires meet high flying aspirations. Fantasy becomes reality. Childhood dreams. Dreams become reality.

Spreads:

The Belly Dancers Oracle was designed to be used in a myriad of ways. You can use traditional "tarot" spreads (featured below) or divide the deck up into sections according to color and read only from that color or opt to use 1-2 cards from each color section to read! The 1st two cards, The Diva and the Goddess represent the Earthy Grounded Realist and the Intuitive Spiritual Energy of ourselves respectively. Choosing one as your 'significator' card will enable you to choose whether or not to approach your question more Spiritually or more Practically for example!

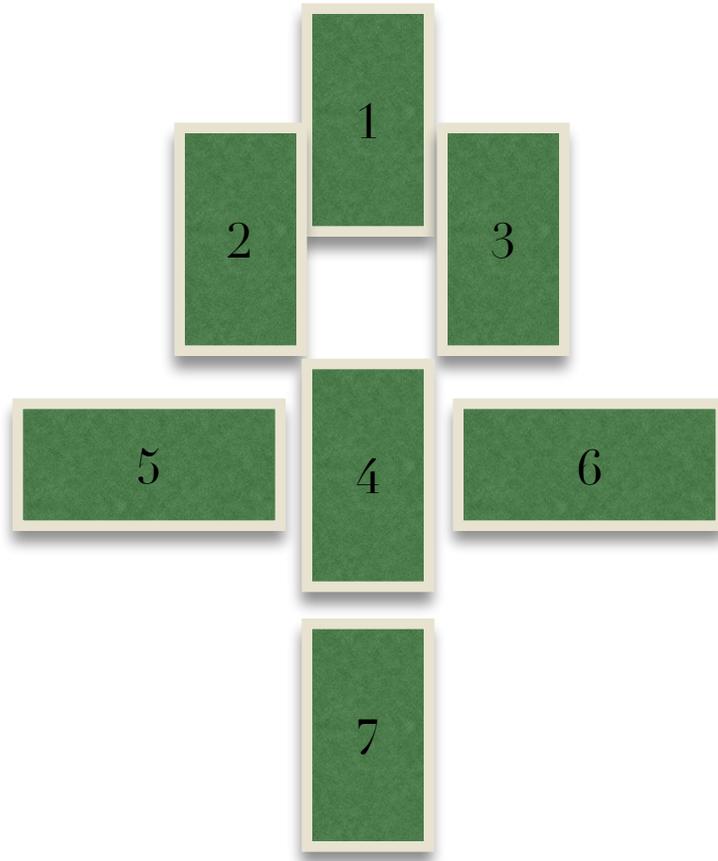
Using the 'green' section only, you may find ways to nourish yourself, while using the purple section will tell you how those around you, or what your inner self can do to assist!

The classic "Go-To" Spread for many readers is called "Past, Present, Future" and is a classic because it will give quick insight and answers about a situation from beginning to end.



1. **The Past...the root of the situation. What signs are being given that should have been acknowledged?**
2. **The Present...what is going on now that needs my attention? What clues to the future will help me?**
3. **The Future...how can I use this knowledge to assist myself to receive the best outcome?**

The "Anhk":



1. The Matter at Hand

2. The Practical, logical, thoughtful-What logical advice is given?

3. The Emotional, Spiritual-What Guidance will I get from The universe & my higher self to tap into my emotional truths?

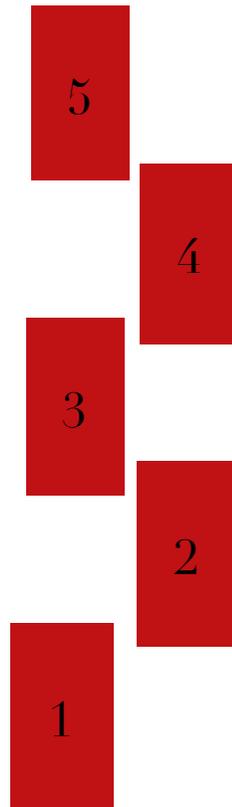
4. What can I expect to learn on this path?

5. What will be the Benefits?

6. What will be the Difficulties?

7. The Outcome should I opt for the path I've chosen?

"The Snake":



1. The Question as it stands now.
2. How I see the issue.
3. How others see the issue.
4. What changes can I make to sway things in my direction?
5. What is the outcome?

Credits:

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Dancer Victoria Crispo: featured dancer on Card#6. Her dance site is VeilDancer.webs.com. She also assists others with their career path! Visit <http://reallyresonantresumes.webs.com>.

Dancer Linette La Turka featured dancer on Card#5. You can visit her Facebook page for more details about her exciting Dance life! www.facebook.com/pages/LaTurka-Dances.

**Thank you also to the members of Gia's Belly Dance Troupe, The Urban Desert Dancers who are featured on Card#7!*

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