Decan Ruler & Tarot Correspondences



One method of integrating tarot into an astrology reading is to read the tarot card correspondence to the decan ruler of natal planets to further round out your astrological interpretation. For example, let's say the native's Moon sign is placed at 22° in Leo. The decan ruler of this Moon sign is thus Mars in Leo. Per the chart above, Mars in Leo corresponds with the Seven of Wands in tarot. In the Thoth, the associated keyword is "Valour." In the classic Rider Waite Smith imagery, we see a young man at the edge of a cliff brandishing a staff as six others are raised against him. Reading that through the lens of past lives and the Moon sign's implications in past life astrology, you see someone who often stood in the minority, having to stand your ground alone against the majority, and often in life will feel outnumbered. That theme is likely to bleed into the present life. Overall, we see prevailing themes of valor in this native's past life, someone who innately possesses a great deal of audacity and courage, especially in the face of danger or battle.

TAROT & ASTROLOGY CORRESPONDENCES

Rider-Waite-Smith	Upright Keyword	Reversed Keyword	Astrological Correspondence
Key 1 – The Magician	Intellect	Instinct	PLANET Mercury
Key 2 – High Priestess	Intuition	Emotion	PLANET Moon
Key 3 – The Empress	Attraction	Barren	PLANET Venus
Key 4 – The Emperor	Authority	Overpower	ZODIAC SIGN Aries
Key 5 – The Hierophant	Tradition	Heterodoxy	ZODIAC SIGN Taurus
Key 6 – The Lovers	Choice	Ambiguity	ZODIAC SIGN Gemini
Key 7 – The Chariot	Control	Turbulence	ZODIAC SIGN Cancer
Key 8 – Strength	Compassion	Feral	ZODIAC SIGN Leo
Key 9 – The Hermit	Wisdom	Intolerance	ZODIAC SIGN Virgo
Key 10 – Wheel of Fortune	Turning Point	Misalignment	PLANET Jupiter
Key 11 – Justice	Equilibrium	With Prejudice	ZODIAC SIGN Libra
Key 13 – Death	Metamorphosis	Inertia	ZODIAC SIGN Scorpio
Key 14 – Temperance	Attunement	Excess	ZODIAC SIGN Sagittarius
Key 15 – The Devil	Possession	Severance	ZODIAC SIGN Capricorn
Key 16 – The Tower	Shock	Upheaval	PLANET Mars
Key 17 – The Star	Hope	Malady	ZODIAC SIGN Aquarius
Key 18 – The Moon	Presentment	Speculative	ZODIAC SIGN Pisces
Key 19 – The Sun	Glory	Disorientation	PLANET Sun
Key 21 – The World	Consummation	Skepticism	PLANET Saturn
Two of Wands	Dominion	Expectations	Υ DECAN Mars in Aries
Three of Wands	Virtue	Oversight	Υ DECAN Sun in Aries
Four of Wands	Completion	Rite of Passage	γ DECAN Venus in Aries
Five of Wands	Competition	Reconciliation	Q DECAN Saturn in Leo
Six of Wands	Victory	Mission	Q DECAN Jupiter in Leo
Seven of Wands	Valor	Anxiety	Q DECAN Mars in Leo
Eight of Wands	Progress	Misfire	→ DECAN Mercury in Sagittarius
Nine of Wands	Strength	Depletion	≯ DECAN Moon in Sagittarius
Ten of Wands	Burden	Reassessment	≯ DECAN Saturn in Sagittarius
Two of Cups	Affinity	Misunderstanding	© DECAN Venus in Cancer
Three of Cups	Abundance	Waste	© DECAN Mercury in Cancer
Four of Cups	Introspection	Emergence	© DECAN Moon in Cancer
Five of Cups	Disappointment	Moving On	M, DECAN Mars in Scorpio
Six of Cups	Contentment	Clinging	M DECAN Sun in Scorpio
Seven of Cups	Intrigue	Purpose Revealed	M DECAN Venus in Scorpio

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Eight of Cups	Detachment	Epicurean	₩ DECAN Saturn in Pisces
Nine of Cups	Happiness	Indulgence	₩ DECAN Jupiter in Pisces
Ten of Cups	Satiety	Discord	H DECAN Mars in Pisces
Two of Swords	Peace	Wane	
Three of Swords	Strife	Disquiet Mind	
Four of Swords	Truce	Recuperate	
Five of Swords	Defeat	Grief	m DECAN Venus in Aquarius
Six of Swords	Science	Fantasy	□ DECAN Mercury in Aquarius
Seven of Swords	Rebel	Scapegoat	□ DECAN Moon in Aquarius
Eight of Swords	Impede	Emancipation	II DECAN Jupiter in Gemini
Nine of Swords	Haunted	Ebb & Flow	II DECAN Mars in Gemini
Ten of Swords	Existential Crisis	A New Dawn	II DECAN Sun in Gemini
Two of Pentacles	Change	Adrift	% DECAN Jupiter in Capricorn
Three of Pentacles	Endeavor	Displacement	% DECAN Mars in Capricorn
Four of Pentacles	Power	Recession	% DECAN Sun in Capricorn
Five of Pentacles	Worry	Reclamation	∀ DECAN Mercury in Taurus
Six of Pentacles	Success	Dearth	∀ DECAN Moon in Taurus
Seven of Pentacles	Yearning	Neglect	∀ DECAN Saturn in Taurus
Eight of Pentacles	Diligence	Squandering Talent	M) DECAN Sun in Virgo
Nine of Pentacles	Gain	Longing	M DECAN Venus in Virgo
Ten of Pentacles	Prestige	Disengagement	M DECAN Mercury in Virgo