

# OMEGALAND

TAROT DECK & CARD GAME



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## INTRODUCTION

HEY! WELCOME! You are now a proud owner of an OMEGALAND deck.

Whether you acquired it through trading beans, bullets or bandages, or pulled it off some poor soul's remains, you're in for a treat. Being where we are as a species, you'll understand the difficulty in finding a working camera, let alone film or the chemicals necessary to develop any pics, so I decided to document my travels through drawings. Even if I could snap a shot, I was sometimes involved in heavy sh\*\*. God knows I wouldn't want to have a flash go off next to my head when trying to hide from a bunch of thugs.

The events and the people you'll see here are all real, but some of it was subject to my interpretation, I'll admit. It was just a way for me to make sense of it all. This is OmegaLand...and things are pretty different now that society has collapsed. We all do what we HAVE TO DO to survive.

In this booklet, I'll give you a little backstory on what's going on in the cards. I've written a couple of words, little lessons I guess, to give you an idea of what I learned from these encounters. I'll get into how you can get some understanding for yourself later on. But for now, take a look at the cards...

## MAJORS

### FOOL 0

Saw this kid cruising down an unfamiliar path, being a bit too cavalier about it. Danger was all around, but he pressed on. They say fortune favors the bold, I guess that's still true even if that boldness isn't exactly rational. I didn't stick around to see what happened.

INEXPERIENCE, ENTHUSIASM

### MAGICIAN 1

Some people can thrive in unexpected environments, but I get the idea this guy could thrive anywhere. He's a consummate tinkerer and can turn seemingly useless junk into something great. The wheels in his head are always turning, even if it doesn't seem that way to outsiders.

SKILL, ARTFULNESS

## HIGH PRIESTESS 2

Hard to make sense of this woman, but trust in the fact that there's much more to her than meets the eye. I gradually came to see that she was very good at discerning the hidden traits of people that came in contact with her. She is overwhelmingly intuitive, albeit a little guarded.

INSIGHT, RETICENCE

## EMPRESS 3

Very friendly and down to earth, this woman is the epitome of warmth. Now, I've met some girls before that have let the harsh realities of life tear into them, but this one definitely hasn't. She's very concerned about the well-being of those around her—*their* happiness makes *her* happy. Good wife and mother some day.

WARMTH, FERTILITY

## EMPEROR 4

This guy is a real hard ass...just check out the beard. Definitely likes to run the show—some say he's a natural-born leader. During hard times he can really tap into his inner strength—push through and endure—until he gets what he wants, or at least until the situation is less challenging. He's a very stable and rational guy, though it was hard to tell what this guy was *feeling*, since he never talked about anything emotional.

ORDER, RATIONALITY

## HIEROPHANT 5

Old dude I met was partially stuck in the old days. He had an earnest voice and he spoke a lot about tradition and keeping the past alive. I got what he was saying, some traditions went through thousands of years of trial and error and aren't going to go away. Sometimes, though, he just seemed too rigid and unwilling to adapt.

TRADITION, FAITH

## LOVERS 6

Seeing two people together happy always makes you feel good, but it also makes you think about how very different each of their lives has been and will be. They've each put the other's happiness and well-being on par with their own. A lot of times that means extra worrying, which is definitely a drag, but there's also a lot of great things to share. Look at me getting all mushy.

PARTNERSHIP, DEVOTION

## CHARIOT 7

Dammit, they got it up and running! They told me their plans and I laughed and said, "Good Luck." Well, they must've found some 'cause they proved me wrong. Admittedly, they did a lot of gut-busting work, but it sure as hell paid off. Just think of all the stuff they could do with this thing.

VICTORY, FOCUS

## STRENGTH 8

Gotta be tough, for sure, but you also need to exercise some restraint; that's what I saw here. Patience and compassion will keep you from feeling like you're losing yourself to the savage world around you. Plus, there are practical benefits to a light touch.

MASTERY, PATIENCE

## HERMIT 9

One of the things that remains constant throughout time is the desire to find truth within yourself. This fellow, who hadn't interacted with another soul in more than a year, was very collected, super at ease. There were times when I've wanted to do this, live with just my thoughts, but felt it was a luxury I couldn't afford. Might be worth a try someday.

INTROSPECTION, QUIET

## WHEEL OF FORTUNE 10

Most definitely there are things in your life you can control, but what you see here is not one of them. I witnessed dudes entering into direct competition with each other—and almost entirely resigning outcome to CHANCE. Some guys won big, which is nice, but others were met with total ruin.

CHANCE, LUCK

## JUSTICE 11

I still believe people are basically good. Bad things happen though, and the ability for some to do bad is as real as ever. I spotted this scene going down from a ways away, and knew I'd never make it in time to help before this sick creep did his deed. Thank God she freed herself and was able to turn the tables. I guess there are only so many times someone can do something evil before it catches up with them, and good people are allowed to return to their lives, effectively pushing civilization ahead.

EQUILIBRIUM, RETRIBUTION

## HANGED MAN 12

This dude had his path planned out, but took a wrong step and found himself under the thumb of someone you do not want to have holding power over you. I saw the poor sap walk off, so I know he got through it, I just don't know what he had to give up to get out of it.

RESIGNATION, SACRIFICE

## DEATH 13

I had a good life. I mean, not everything was perfect, but it was pretty good. Then this damn thing happened and changed everything. I'm optimistic about the future, but still, sometimes I think about all that changed that night and how I can never go back to what was before and it's just too much.

LOSS, CHANGE

## TEMPERANCE 14

You can learn something here. Note the pulling together of disparate elements,

blending them together, and getting something new and useful. It takes some control, but the level of purity in the outcome far surpasses the sort of thing you'd just find lying around.

SYNTHESIS, RESTRAINT

## DEVIL 15

This is one evil son of a b\*\*\*\*! He'll tempt you with easy solutions and physical pleasures. You get soft and dependent and then you turn into a meat puppet. Very relieved to say I didn't get mixed up, but others have not been as fortunate.

SUBJUGATION, ABANDON

## TOWER 16

Whoa! What the hell was that?

DESTRUCTION, UPHEAVAL

## STAR 17

There's always some terrible thing going on somewhere, but that doesn't mean you can't be optimistic. Look at the scenery—

nature shows that growth is inevitable. Nature also shows that there's still beauty in the world. Don't forget it.

FAITH, HOPEFULNESS

## MOON 18

I found this girl shaking uncontrollably and muttering with a hurriedly scrawled note next to her that read, "What the hell is this? Night, but what else is there? Something is inside me, and something outside. I don't know what I hear beside me. Howling." I went to go find her some more water, but when I got back she was gone.

CONFUSION, WILD

## SUN 19

Ah, this is a good memory. The air was crisp with a gentle breeze and the sun was shining warmly. A joyful feeling, full of life and hope. It didn't hurt that we knew we'd have full bellies for a couple of weeks to come.

PRODUCTIVITY, SUCCESS

## JUDGMENT 20

Done some things in the past I've regretted. Things that seemed justified, but now I have my doubts. What goes through a person's head at a time like this? "Will anyone care when I'm gone... does anything matter?" Sometimes someone returns to give an answer.

Fortunately that's what happened to me.

REDEMPTION, ABSOLUTION

## WORLD 21

Yes! Here's where I saw all the elements coming together. Planning, improvisation, and sheer willpower made something *real*. The feelings of hope and joy I saw on her face were well-earned.

CYCLE, ACCOMPLISHMENT

## MINORS



## COINS

### ACE COINS

Nice! That plan we came up with was spot on; now we've just got to let the rewards roll in.

MONEY, VALUABLE POSSESSIONS

### 2 COINS

Someone I met on a trade route, always in good spirits, even when times were pretty tough. Ran into him again today and I could tell things were really turning around for him.

FLUCTUATION

### 3 COINS

This fellow, bit of a quiet type, but real good with thinking on his feet—certainly not a slacker. Remember him, he's a very good guy to have around.

INGENUITY

### 4 COINS

Scouting the remnants of an office building, I talked with this old mean dude through a peep hole in the wall in a fortified basement. He'd rather let food ROT than trade it to you—if he thought you were gypping him. Left him to stew in his own misery.

POSSESSIVENESS

### 5 COINS

Poor guy, was beat down by the world and just got too tired to look for a way to survive. He just totally gave up.

DESPAIR

### 6 COINS

You could learn a very good lesson from this guy. Found a place he could make his own, improved it, and *then* found a way to provide people with what they need. It's not easy work, but people acknowledge you when you do right by them.

CAPITALISM

### 7 COINS

A lot of planning and hard work was put into this endeavor, and the payoff was substantial. Remember, a lot of times self-sacrifice is worth it in the long run.

PROSPERITY

### 8 COINS

Get creative, dude and pay extra attention to details! Going your own way is not the easiest thing, but if you have your sh\*\* together, stay observant, and get yourself to the right place at the right time, you can make something big.

INGENUITY

winner's just-won MAJOR card.  
Discard *Chariot* and place the new  
MAJOR in your hand.

- 10—WHEEL OF FORTUNE:** Discard at any time for a new MAJOR card.
- 11—JUSTICE:** Play immediately after an opponent takes a trick to play the first card of the next TRICK. Draw a new MAJOR card.
- 12—HANGED MAN:** (*Leader only*) May be played to end the round. Leader scores a flat -10, and his opponents score zero.
- 13—DEATH:** Play with another card to kill any opponent's card in the TRICK. Draw a BURIED card.
- 15—DEVIL:** Randomly select two cards from an opponent's hand and replace them with two cards from your hand.
- 16—TOWER:** Discard all the cards in the current TRICK.
- 18—THE MOON:** When played in a trick you may force an opponent to discard one card from his hand and replace it with a BURIED card.