

Gypsy Oracle Cards
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Oráculo de la Gitana
Sibylle de la Bohémienne
Цыганский Оракул

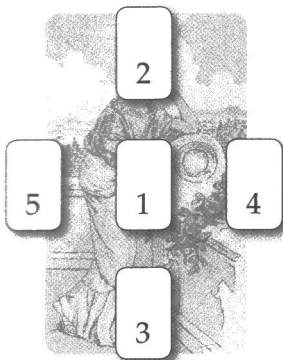


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Folklore depicts the Gypsy as a woman without home or master, the ruler of a mysterious and magical world that she interprets primarily using these cards. During her nomadic wanderings from country to country and city to city, the Gypsy was wooed by people who met with her, who wanted her to tell them their future, what would happen. It is said that wealthy and noble ladies sought the Gypsy's advice at dusk with their faces covered so they could not be recognized, anxious for guidance concerning their beloveds, just like those who approached her during the day. Men did not even turn down a visit with the Gypsy for advice on business and law. The legend passes down the pact of friendship and loyalty decreed between the cards and the Gypsy. The Gypsy Queen would have always used these cards and they would never have made an incorrect prediction. This is why the Gypsy helped everyone, without every

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settling in one place. Even when she predicted bad events she always gave valuable advice on how to prevent them or even change them for the better.

Many people, however, envied the Gypsy and her freedom. They would have liked to force her to remain in the same place so that she could solve everyone's problems. Some men therefore devised to take a peek at the Gypsy's cards: they managed to do so and copied them to steal her secrets. The Gypsy, however, found out but rather than punishing and chasing those people away, she was glad because the cards had disclosed that this would happen: her fortune-telling deck had, in fact, foreseen the evil action of those envious people. The Gypsy then took steps to design a new deck of cards and when it was ready she dictated a sentence for each card so that from now on everyone would be able to use them and benefit from knowing the future.

According to a French legend, the Gypsy was none other than Mademoiselle Lenormand, the famous "Sibylle des

Salons" who became Napoleon's advisor. The majority, however, maintain that she was a figure of the imagination.

For over two centuries, however, the cards were used for reading the future, precisely responding in minute detail to questions.

Naturally, a method for using these cards is necessary to get to know them: after gaining some experience with the Gypsy cards, reading the future will become easy and fun.

Using the Fortune-Telling Deck

The Gypsy never read the cards without taking care of important details. Many were surely just for her convenience or to intimidate those who came to find her; for example, light never directly struck the person reading the cards. In the half-light she shuffled the cards 7 times and then took the deck, turned part of it a half turn, and then shuffled it again 3 times. In the meantime those who came to her for help told her about their problem; some discreetly posing only a generic

question, others in minute detail revealing names and facts. When the cards were ready, the Gypsy placed them in front of the Querient, who shuffled them 4 more times with the left hand (right if left-handed), mixing them up as they liked. Only then did the Gypsy lay them out on the table in the proper positions for interpretation.

One of the spreads used most often by the Gypsy was the **Cross Spread** (see the figure on page 2).

The Gypsy placed five cards facedown on the table, one at a time in this order: The first one at the center, the second at the top, the third one at the bottom, the fourth to the right and the fifth to the left. She repeated this three more times until there were 5 decks of 4 cards each forming a cross.

She proceeded by turning over the cards, deck by deck, knowing that an aspect of the response corresponded to each one.

1. The Present – the peculiarities of the current situation

2. The Past – the most important elements of the recent past

3. The Near Future – how the situation will soon develop

4. The Obstacles – what hinders the Querient's ambitions

5. Advice – the last deck is a recommendation, a suggestion, a warning or even strong instruction to do or not do something

To interpret the cards, the Gypsy told of two things that had to be kept in mind: the **image**, which "provoked feelings and memories in the heart and mind", and the **sentence** (the card's title), which "guided sensitivities and perception in the right direction".

During the session, the Querient provides clues and hints useful for the interpretation. Those who read the cards must most of all be humble and clear their minds of preconceived ideas. Only then, with the experience and help provided by the cards, will sharp and admirable accuracy in "revealing the future" be developed.

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