



*Dedicated to returning ease of
emotion to the masculine, unlocking
his loving heart and acknowledging
and releasing his pain to allow him to
freely feel and connect.*



The Reconnection of the Divine Masculine

Once upon a time, in a magical land, a young knight took off his battle gear, wiping away the beads of sweat threatening to drip from his face. He glanced toward the honeyed glow of the sun, watching its shimmer fade as it slowly ascended below the horizon. As the peril of war encroached upon his lands, training days had become longer and more tiresome. If he hurried, he could still meet his love at the allotted time.

Creeping up behind her on the riverbank edge, the knight pulled his love into his arms. The maiden, who had been pensively connecting with her goddesses, squealed with delight and surprise. Talking late into the night, they shared their hopes for a quick battle and their aspirations for after the war.

Pledging themselves to one another for life, they believed that righteousness and love would prevail. They agreed to meet the next day at their special meeting place to bid each other an emotional farewell, not yet knowing the maiden would be the only one to sit by that riverbank again.

After the first week of battle, the knight realised his idealised notions of war did not translate to the brutality that now played out around him. During his training days, he had daydreamed about protecting his family, lover and the villagers of his home.

The Purpose of This Oracle

These cards were created in honour of men in all phases — inner child, knight, father, grandfather and all aspects in between. This deck is for *anyone* who wants to explore and connect with their divine masculine energy — not just men but also those who identify as female or non-binary. Working with masculine energy is like a protective, enveloping hug — everyone deserves that feeling. Each person has masculine and feminine energies in varying degrees, so we can all benefit from receiving the healing available to us through working with both. Working with each energy polarity within you balances *yin* and *yang* and leads to becoming an integrated, whole being. And the place where masculine and feminine meet in the middle provides healing through balance and non-dual energy.

Take a walk through history, connecting with heroes, kings and gods of various pantheons, ages and energies. Some will call on you to feel deeply. Others will call on you to learn something new or to activate an aspect of your essence. Allow each card to take you on a journey deep within as they bring forward the teaching and healing frequency relevant to you. Over time, you will integrate these energies. Each embodiment of the Divine Masculine within this deck will surround you with love, support and guidance, ensuring you are not alone on the path of humanity.

INTEGRATING THE GOD AND GODDESS WITHIN

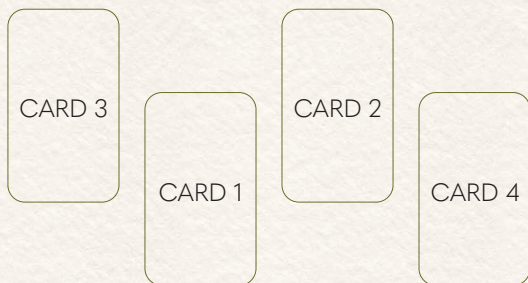
These cards are designed to be used with the *Goddess Within Oracle*, promoting the integration and balance of masculine and feminine energies, fostering harmonious relationships. When *yin* (feminine) and *yang* (masculine) polarities are intertwined, these complementary forces work together to bring you and your relationships balance and lifeforce energy.

Understanding the journey and plight of both the feminine and masculine can help soothe wounds caused by dualism and disconnection. Embracing the integration of both your feminine and masculine and relating with others will provide immeasurable healing, power, empathy and understanding.

Use the goddess and god within you as a way to clear energetic blockages and to unify your feminine and masculine parts. Suggested spreads are included for your own personal integration, and for seeking balance within relationship.

INTEGRATION WITHIN SPREAD

Integrating feminine and masculine begins within. This spread gives insight into the energy your feminine and masculine are currently in and what to focus on to strive towards balance and healing.



Card One: A goddess card to represent your current inner feminine energy

Card Two: A god card to represent your current inner masculine energy

Card Three: A goddess card to represent what energy to focus on to heal and balance your inner feminine energy

Card Four: A god card to represent what energy to focus on to heal and balance your inner masculine energy

RELATIONSHIP INTEGRATION SPREAD

Our relationships are mirrors illuminating our tender spots, gently guiding us towards inner and outer harmony. This spread provides insight into the energies you are each standing in separately, and the combined energy of the relationship itself.

As relationships come in many beautiful forms, use the combination of *Divine Masculine Oracle* and *Goddess Within Oracle* cards that resonate with you.

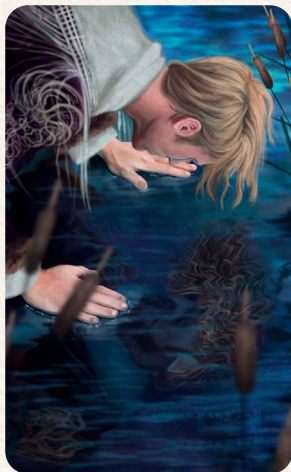
For same-sex, nonbinary or polyamorous and other types of relationships, use your intuition to guide you to the spread formation that feels right for you. You can use one deck (whichever you feel resonates) or both; you will know what works for your relationship. Perhaps one partner is represented by the 'gods' and the other by the 'goddesses'. Or mix both decks and see what emerges. Again, use your intuition about how the cards and the spread represent and serve you best.

The spread below is one example of many possible uses.

Card One: Represents where you are now

Card Two: Represents where they are now

Card Three: Represents the energy you are mirroring to them



NARCISSUS

Slather yourself with self-love to keep the opinion of others from hurting you. Constructive criticism will no longer feel like an attack when you allow your flaws to be seen in the light.

The myth of Narcissus arises from ancient Greece and tells the tale of an astoundingly handsome man who falls in love with himself. Narcissus was renowned for his beauty, born from a river god named Cephissu and a nymph called Liriope. It was prophesied to Liriope that her son would reach old age only if he never recognised himself. A hunter from the ancient Greek

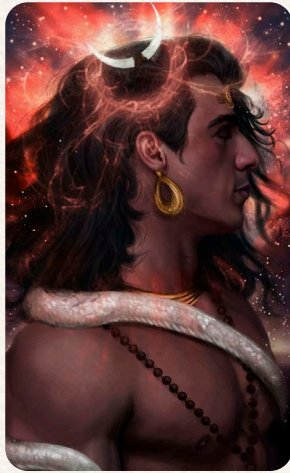
city Thespieae, Narcissus rejected all the romantic advances with which he was inundated. One day, he was wistfully staring at his reflection and became besotted with what he saw. Becoming so obsessed with his image, Narcissus lived out the rest of his days right there by the river, never taking his eyes off himself.

NARCISSUS' MESSAGE

Pride has a rightful place in your life. However, a shadow side exists, too. The thought of making self-love a priority can be intimidating because it can be correlated with narcissism. The two are very different.

Narcissism presents as grandiose self-importance but can be derived from a lack of self-esteem and self-love. Narcissism demands adoration and validation, overcompensating for a lack of inner assuredness and confidence. One does not feel enough as is, so they draw in confirmation for showy importance. They cannot see beyond themselves.

Self-love is bridging that gap; self-love is radically accepting oneself as is. It is accepting the seemingly most unlovable parts of oneself. It is having confidence that does not seek out energy from others. When you have the self-love to ensure your needs and boundaries are met, you can see beyond just yourself. Self-love is having pride, while narcissism is remaining prideful, the shadow side of pride.



SHIVA

*It is time to get comfortable with your failings,
for they symbolise your effort. Look to failure
as motivation to come up with something new.
Extend your creative energy.*

A Hindu deva, Shiva is the god of destruction known as 'The Destroyer'. Primarily viewed as a benevolent deity, his name means 'Auspicious One' in Sanskrit. Shiva fathered Ganesha with his wife Parvati, the mother goddess of fertility. Along with Brahma (god of creation) and Vishnu (god of preservation), Shiva

is a member of the Trimurti, also referred to as the holy trinity. Although Shiva is known for destruction, he destroys to make way for the rebirth of a new cycle. He is one facet of the process of creation. Shiva destroys, Brahma (re-)creates and Vishnu preserves — each role holding equal importance in the overall picture. Vasuki—the snake depicted around Shiva’s neck, coiled three times—represents the past, present and future.

SHIVA'S MESSAGE

In this photoshopped, social media-curated culture, we can be prone to showing the fruits of our success without exposure to the failures that lead to it. When you are used to seeing the best moments of the lives of those around you, it can make you feel bad about yourself when you fall short. When you see the success of others, you do not see the events that happened to lead them there. You did not see the sacrifices, faith, knocks and falls, or doubt. Similarly, when other people see your success, they may see luck where you see all the work.

Failure indicates that you have tried and taken charge and decided to attempt to do something remarkable; that is what counts. Failure is a mark of being human, and it is inevitable. It provides you with an opportunity to find another route toward success or to walk away from something no longer meant for you. It can open up a new door toward something more aligned with you. The destruction of one thing makes way for creating something brand new and perhaps even better than the last.