

# A Look at the Many Faces of The Lovers in Tarot

## **The Lovers from the Ecliptic Tarot**



The Lovers – VI – Hand in hand and under the light of the full moon, The Lovers stroll into a sea of enchantment.

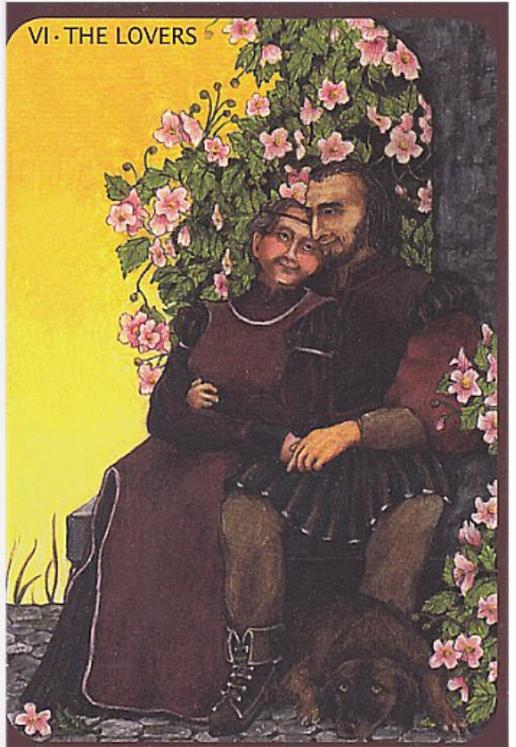
This pair of lovers has stripped away their fear of intimacy, of rejection, and of connection, as well as their clothing. A true partnership can be seen sparking between them involving trust, respect, and harmony of opposites. As they gaze into each other's eyes, no words are needed to communicate the deep and overwhelming emotions that bind them. As if one being instead of two, they move together beginning an intimate and passionate dance between true soul mates.

When we see The Lovers card in a reading, it can refer to many types of relationships or partnerships. Some of them being harmonious or of a romantic nature, others may be a platonic friendship or a business partner. There is a level of intimacy in all relationships or partnerships, and, if

they are to work for our betterment, there needs to be a degree of harmony as well as trust and respect.

The Lovers card is also about balance and making balanced choices. Many times this card will act to balance the energies of cards to either side, especially if they are each in extreme.

Combining elements of heard and heart, feeling, and intellect. Involvement in a process or project which requires cooperation. Choice between security and risk or between something old and something new. Harmony, soul mate, balanced choices.

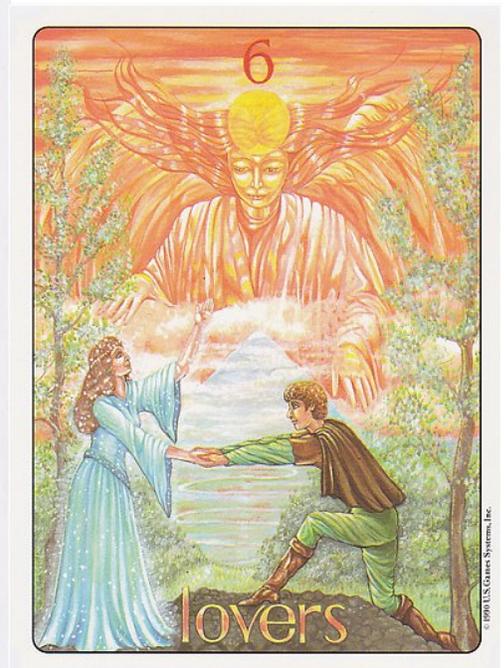
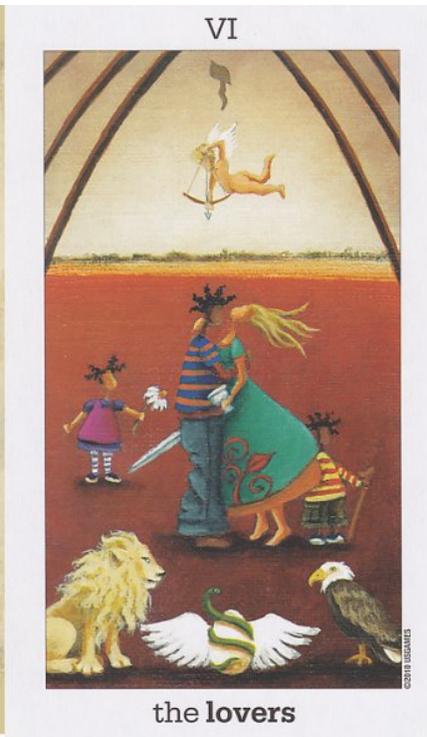


**The Lovers – Hanson-Roberts Tarot:** True love. Choices in matters of the heart. A love affair with great promise. Attraction. Reciprocal Love and devotion. Harmony and synchronicity between two people.

**The Lovers – Robin Wood Tarot:** Love, respect, partnership, trust, communication, perfection, honor, romance, beauty. A couple that has worked together to overcome trials.

**The Lovers – Anna.K Tarot:** The Lovers can indeed stand for the state of being in love of a new couple. But the main aspect of the card’s meaning is best described as the love of a couple who live with each other from the time of their coming together until their death, full of respect and loving care for each other. This is the love of two people who have decided to choose each other, and who have the will and the strength to keep to this choice even in difficult times.

*“Traditional tarot imagery depicts a man and woman beneath an angelic figure thought to be Gabriel, or a winged cupid with his arrow poised to shoot. Sometimes a tree and serpent appear in the scene, harkening to Adam and Eve in Paradise. In some cases three people are depicted: a man and two women, emphasizing a choice to be made.” ~Anna-Marie Ferguson*



**The Lovers – The Llewellyn Tarot:** Union of opposites. The promise or potential for love and romance. Partnership. Attraction, chemistry, lust. Magnetism. Harmony. Play. Joy. Humour. Romantic-interlude or amorous encounter. Restless imagination. On a deeper level it can represent transformational power of love. The mystic bond of familiar spirits. Can represent a choice between what is desired and what is acceptable.

**The Lovers – Sun and Moon Tarot:** Linked with Gemini. Associated with art and crafts. Represents relationships that are important for personal growth and development. Cupid gives a blessing for passion and compassion.

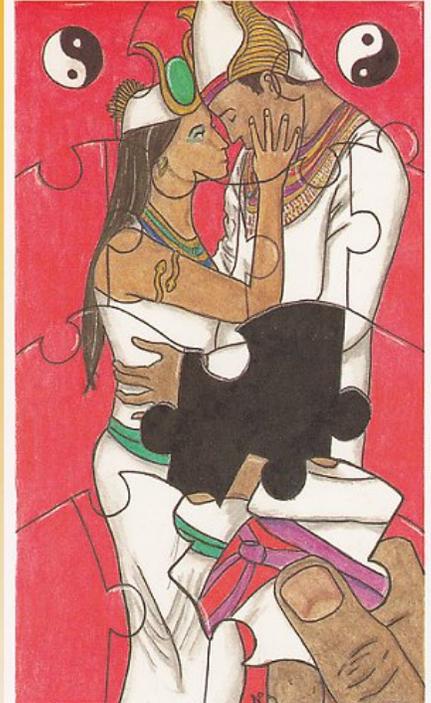
**The Lovers – The Gill Tarot:** This picture shows the conscious (male) effort to communicate with the subconscious (female), who in her turn is able to communicate with the superconscious (angel). As such, it shows the opening of a path that may ultimately lead to the mountain of attainment shown in the background. Good internal flow, effort well-placed and possibly following difficulties, a road opened up ahead.



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**Osiris**

**The Forest Lovers – The Wild Wood Tarot:** Position of the Wheel, The Forest Lovers are placed at Beltane, 1 May, the festival of the rites of spring and the gateway to summer. In this position they balance the suits of Bows and Arrows and the elements of Fire and Air, and represent the willing interchange of energy that creates the fertile consciousness. Blessed union; Friendship; The rites of spring; The polar balance of souls; Desire; The Arthurian white hart; Eternal love; The sacred vow.

**The Lovers – The Shining Tribe:** Desire, acting out of passion, a deep and committed relationship. Sexual expression, ecstasy (not just sexual), free sharing with others, trust and commitment. ...In relationships we need to bring forth both sides, the confident Spirit who will sweep our partners off their feet and the vulnerable human, desirous but unsure. When we see our lovers as either all-powerful or all-needy, or when we see ourselves that way, we betray Aphrodite. The Lovers card reminds us of the full complexity of love.

**The Lovers (Isis and Osiris) – Sol Invictus The-God Tarot:** Love, relationships, marriage, happy relationships, friendship, harmony, union, reunion, integration, unity, polarity, teamwork, sibling friendship, passion, alchemy, sexuality. This card gives the green light for relationships and suggests that they will be happy and harmonious ones, even if those in the relationship seem to be completely different personalities.