

the DECKTET

This is a deck of cards with suits, ranks, and named images. It is, perhaps, the kind of tarot deck they use in the alternate universe where Charlemagne was a badger. Since it is structurally unlike earthly playing card and tarot decks, you can do different things with it.

There are ten ranks of cards in the basic deck: Aces are rank one, 2s are rank two, 3s and so on up through 9s, and Crowns are rank ten.

There are dozens of different games that can be played with the Decktet. To find rules and more, visit

[HTTP://WWW.DECKTET.COM](http://www.decktet.com)

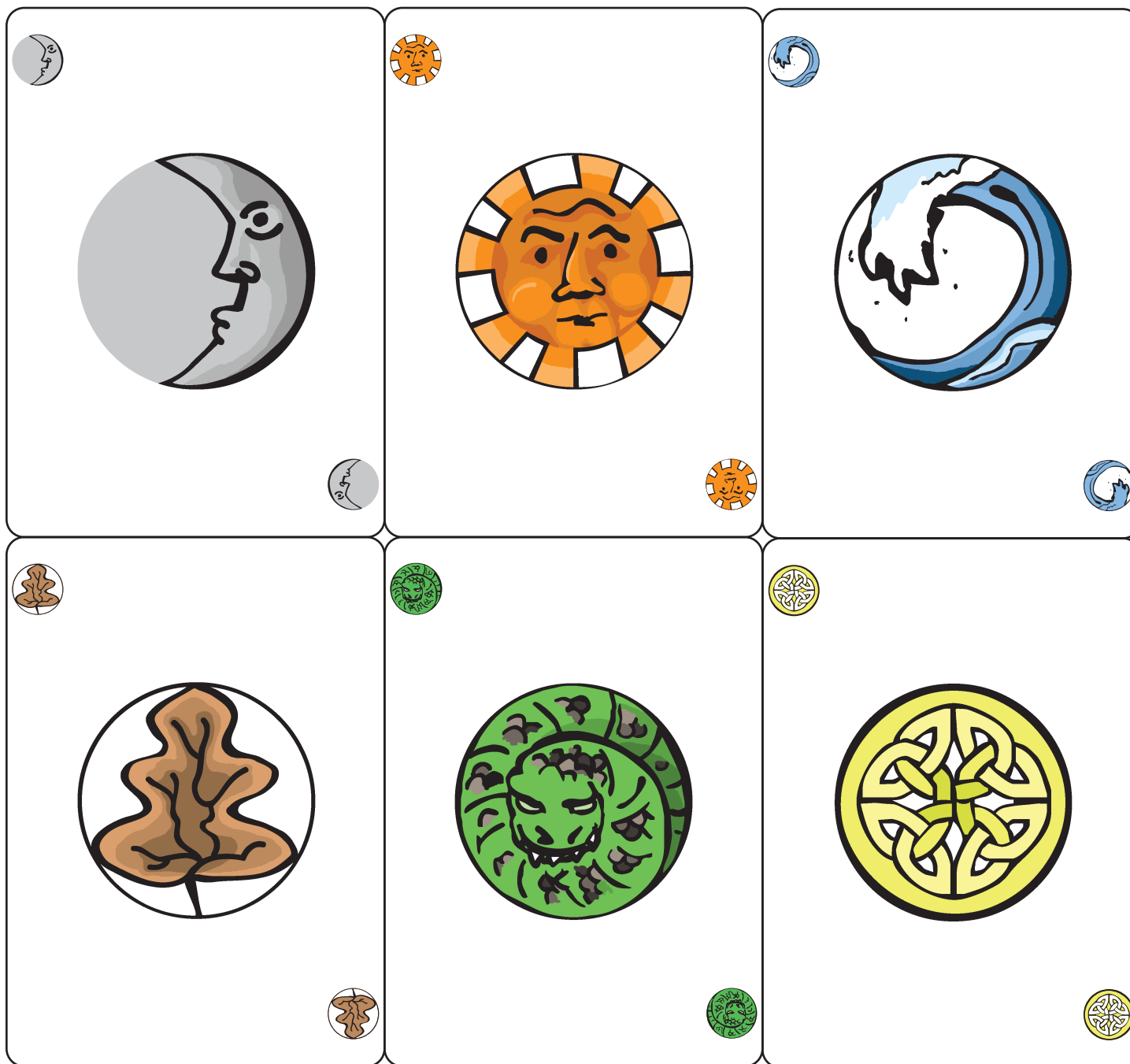


The website also has information about professionally printed copies of the deck, the iconoclastic Deco Decktet, and the Decktet Book.



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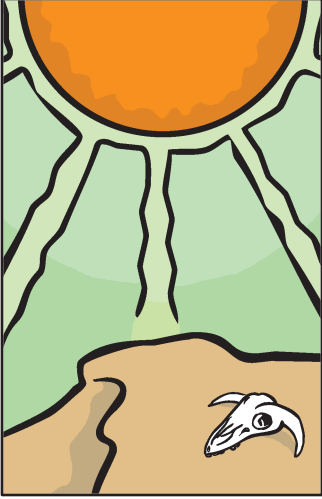
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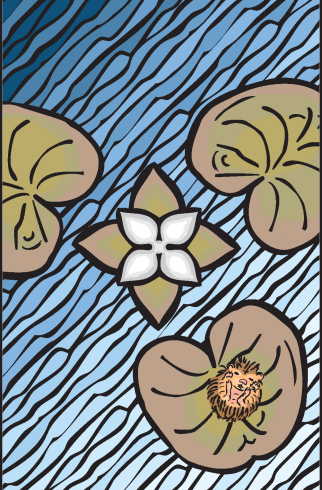
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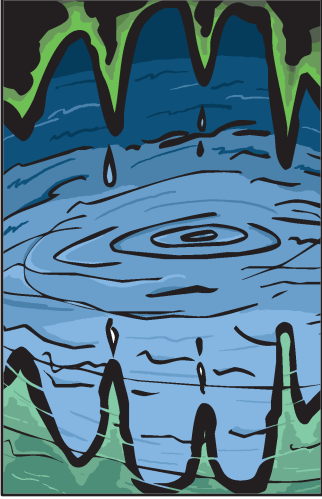
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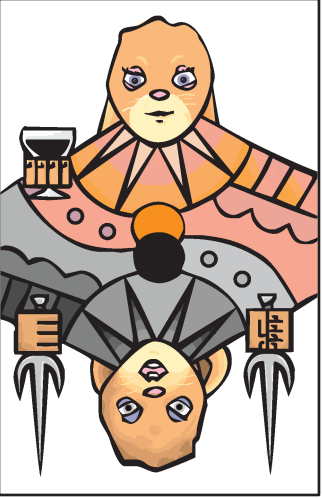





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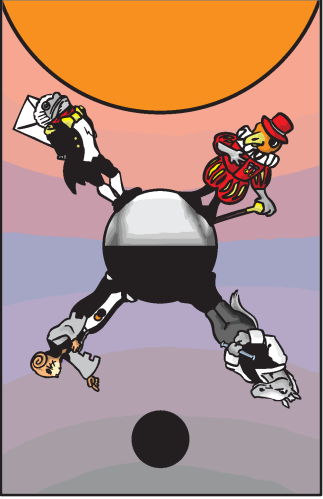





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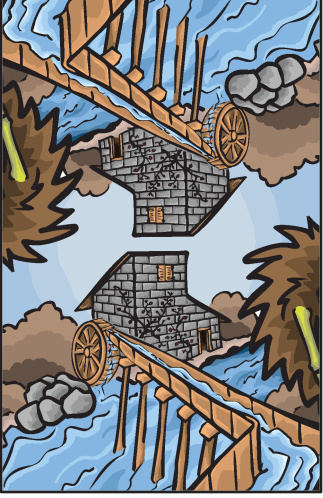





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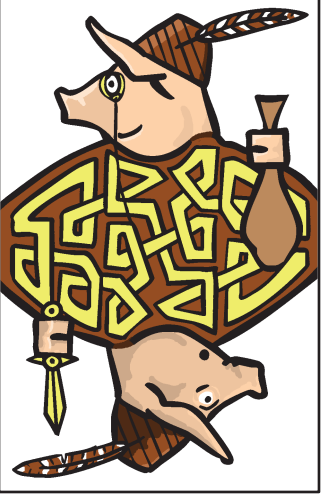





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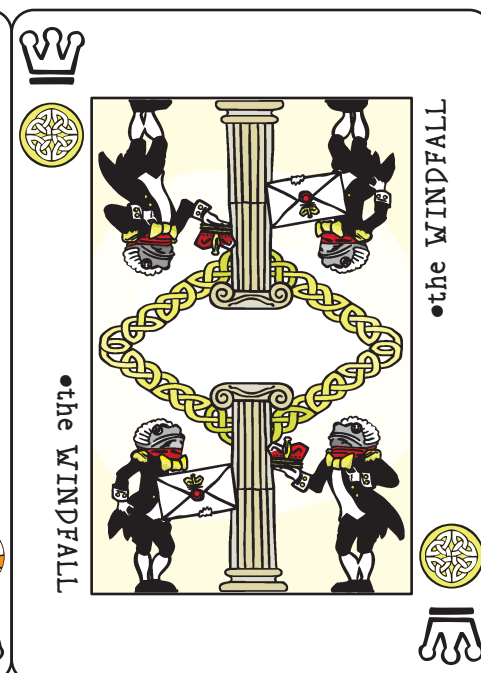
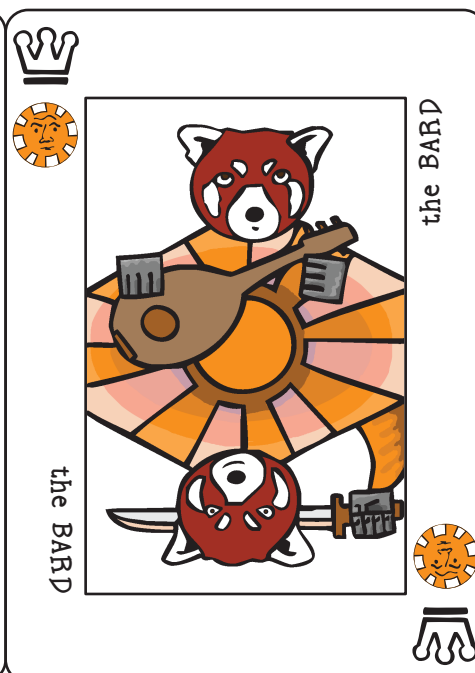
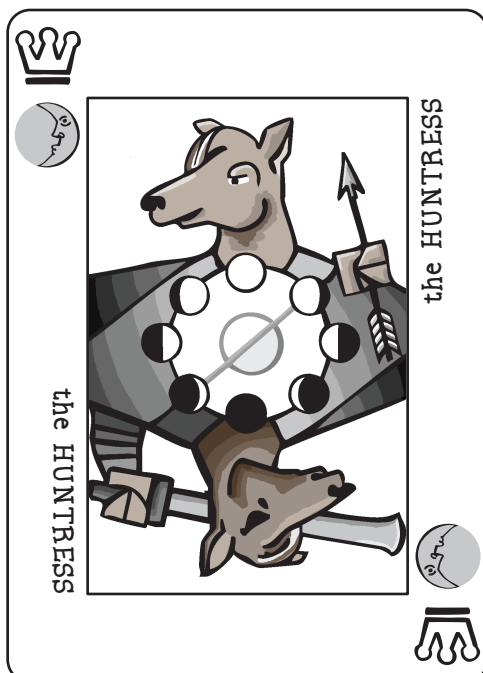





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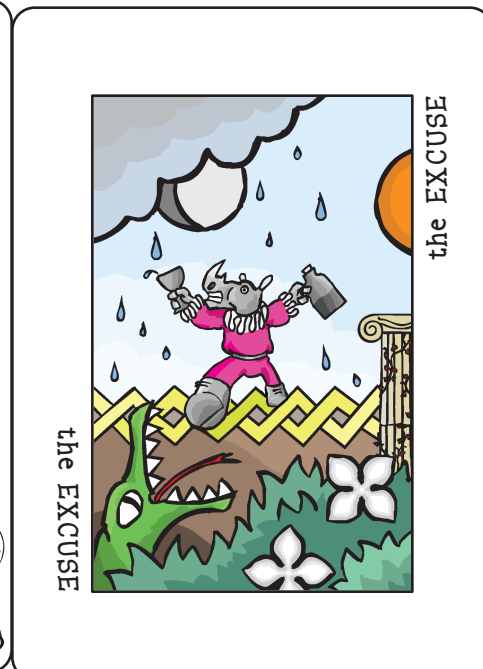
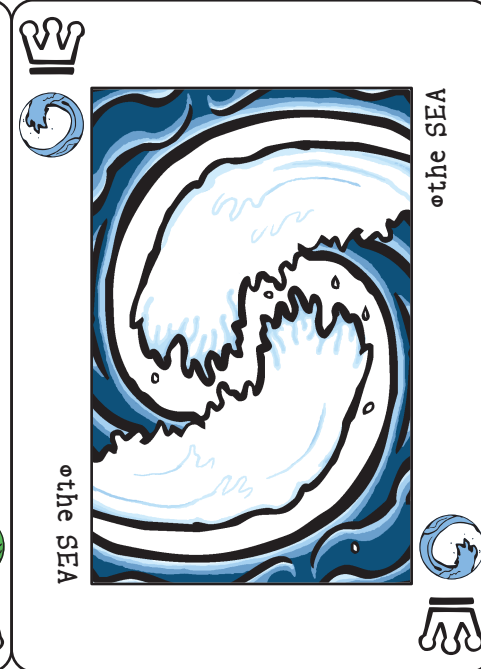
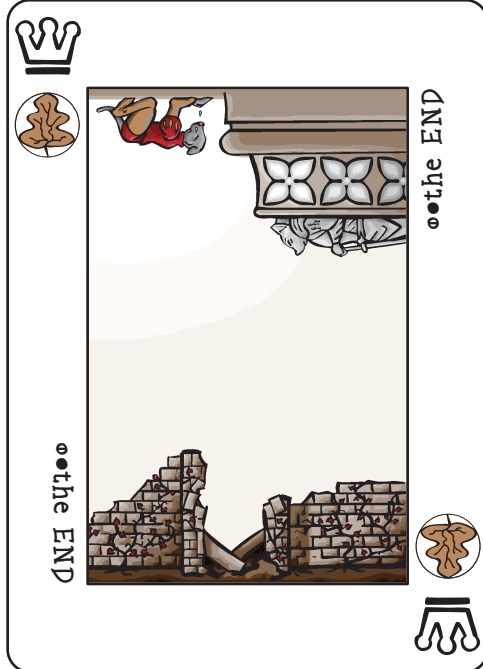
The thirty-six card basic deck, with ten ranks of cards, is the core of the Decktet. There are nine further cards that add on to make the extended deck.

Many games have default rules for the basic deck and optional rules for the extended deck cards. If you think of game design as cooking, then the extended deck cards are like adding cream. Adding them makes some games richer, but it just adds fat to others. And in some games, it goes wrong and curdles.

One of the extended deck cards is the EXCUSE (below). It has no suits and no rank.

The PAWNS & and COURTS ♠♠ (next page) are two additional ranks. Pawns and Courts have three suits each. With Pawns and Courts in play, the order of ranks typically becomes:

Ace, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, &, ♠♠, ♣♣



the BORDERLAND

the WATCHMAN

the LIGHT KEEPER

the HARVEST

the RITE

the CONSUL

the ISLAND

the WINDOW