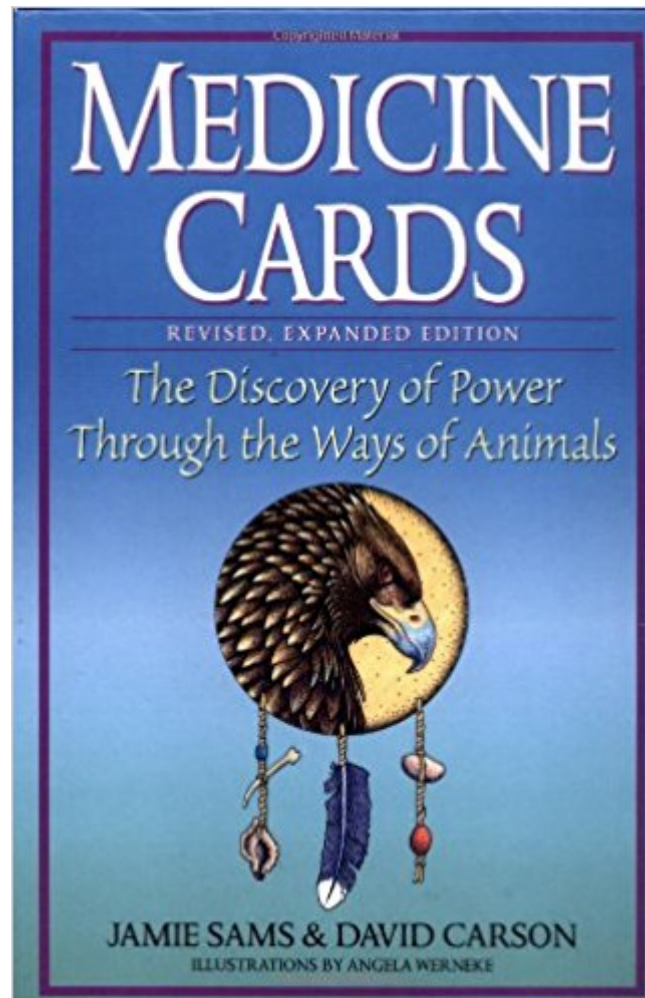




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# Medicine Cards: The Discovery Of Power Through The Ways Of Animals



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## Customer Reviews

• Since the publication of the Navaho novel, *Seven Arrows*, over twenty years ago, I haven't seen anything so adventurous or beautifully executed as *Medicine Cards*...this handsome and inviting package has much to teach us all. • Patricia Holt, *San Francisco Chronicle* • A potent yet refreshingly simple divination tool that can help us reconnect to the sources of life's natural guidance...extraordinarily well crafted. This work is plentiful, overflowing with the richness of the Native American way of life. • Yoga Journal

Jamie Sams is of Iroquois and Cherokee descent. She is a medicine teacher and author of numerous books, including *Sacred Path Cards* (HarperSanFrancisco, 1990.) David Carson is of Choctaw descent. They both live in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

These cards are so powerful. I have worked with them before receiving readings from others, but I've never had my own deck. I have such a deep connection to animals I figured it was about time I get these for myself. They are beautiful, and you can feel the love, heart, and soul that was put into them. I picked my totem animals the same night I received them and felt so inspired. If these appeal to you in anyway, I recommend you follow your intuition and get them. They will not disappoint. A must have for any earth lover who has a spiritual bond with animals.

I have used these cards for over 20 years. I lent someone in my family my deck, because they were in a crisis and needed something to work with during it. I decided after watching the person flourish while using them regularly that they had found a new home. I bought my new deck and use them regularly. I find Jamie Sams to be articulate, the stories to be inspiring. This deck has helped me become the person I am today. It has helped me when I was losing my direction and being foolish, as well as when I was down and lost. If you are looking for a deck that will see you through the ages, and can be passed on to the next generation, this is it.

Loved the exercise to discover your full totem. Tarot readers like myself will enjoy the unique omens these cards provide. Overall however it is merely a fun book to introduce you to the world of animal medicine. If you want a reference book or something that is more comprehensive I suggest the book "Animal Speak" by Ted Andrews. "Medicine Cards" is a wonderful introduction and the cards are fun to have but "Animal Speak" is the book you'll forever keep as a reference guide. If you have to choose between the two "Animal Speak" is hands down the winner.

I've been doing a weekly medicine wheel spread (East, South, West, North and Sacred Mountain) with the Medicine Cards for over 15 years. They have provided me with guidance to get through divorce, major career change, death of loved ones and major surgeries with my sanity (mostly) intact. I am forever amazed at their accuracy and helpfulness. For me, it's not so much the "cultural/historical accuracy" of the cards as the direction they provide. They help me to look at my behavior and make necessary corrections or changes in order to either alleviate my pain, expand my spirituality or cope with/handle overwhelming situations. They remind me to walk in peace, walk in compassion and walk in balance. Yes, there are some that still don't make much sense to me (such as Whale & Lizard) even after all these years, but I have learned to try to just learn from their message as best as I can and file the rest away for future understanding. I recommend the addition of The Sacred Tree book and Animal Speak book to expand the effectiveness of the Medicine

Cards. These other books provide additional understanding of Native American spirituality and the medicine wheel, along with expanded interpretations of the various animals. I've bought these items for several friends over the years and they have all found a deeper spirituality in their lives as the result.

What a pleasant surprise to find that there is a later edition than the set I've used for 20 years, and that what I got is the expanded edition. Condition of the book and cards was superb. The price for book AND cards and dust cover was an extraordinary value - the best I've gotten from .

I got this yesterday. Someone had these cards and I really liked the book as it gives you good information on each animal. It comes with 52 ANIMAL CARDS and 9 BLANK CARDS so you can draw a spirit animal on it that is not in the card deck that you feel a connection to. I was looking for info on how many cards in the deck I no reviews mention this information. There was YouTube videos with reviews of this deck and only 1 gave me this info. I thought I was only getting the book but I was Soooo HAPPY it was the whole set including the cards. I hope this helps.

I like the way these cards are explained - easy to understand and the story is a decent length. Some decks go on and on and on... others give you 3 sentences. The illustrations are also nicely done. When I was very young, my mother had this deck. I remember she would have us pull cards for fun and let us read about the different animals and what they meant. Through my life I've come across the deck a couple more times in other settings, and finally decided to purchase my very own :). I don't do the traditional "readings" or lay them out any particular way. When I feel I need some guidance, I randomly choose a card that feels right and the message is always something I could really use at the time. Love it.

There are so many great things about this, I can't begin to describe them all. For one thing, you don't need to know anything about divination or have any skill at reading cards to use this. It's a great beginner's step, or a great thing to have and use if you're not interested in divination. I have learned so much about myself from using the cards and reading this book. I am so grateful for it. I feel more connected with nature, with animals, with myself, my spirit and the Spirit. (That said, any religion could use this book- it doesn't require you adhere to any certain one.) I would recommend this to. . . everyone. I don't know about age ranges, but I'd say as soon as the kid is interested. Seriously, though, I would recommend this to everybody.

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