



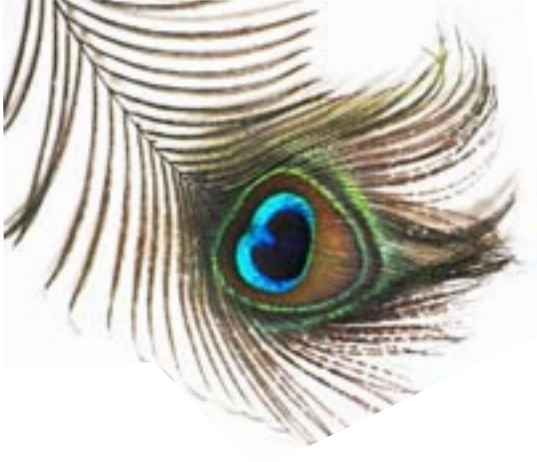
THE COMPLETE BOOK OF ARIES



DESIGN YOUR LIFE.
DISCOVER YOUR PURPOSE.
LIVE YOUR DREAMS.

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DEAR ARIES,

There's no mistake you were born under your sign. The moment you arrived was created just for you—and there will never be another one like it. Your astrological sign, which is determined by the date and time you were born, gifted you with unique talents, beauty, strength and challenges. Just as there are billions of stars in the sky, there's only one you in the universe. (As identical twins, we can attest to this!) So we're here to help you be your ultimate best, with the cosmos as your guide.

Let's face it: life isn't always easy. There will be tough times and obstacles to face. Life is full of questions: Who's my best love match? How can I make more money, or find the job of my dreams? When should I get married, take a vacation, start a family, nurture my health? Understanding yourself better makes it easier to answer those questions, and that's where the zodiac can help. So consider this book a roadmap to your soul, an operating manual for your life.

Truth is, you already have everything you need to live the life of your dreams. It's just about knowing what makes you shine, then polishing that diamond. So whether you're a princess cut or a solitaire, finding the perfect setting is the key to claiming the rich, fulfilling life that's your birthright!



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ALL ABOUT ARIES

Diva is so NOT a four-letter word in the Aries vocabulary. Please...work it.



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ARIES

Dates: March 21–April 19

Symbol: The Ram

Color: Red

Ruling Planet: Mars

Good Day: Energetic, bold

Bad Day: Bossy, selfish

Step aside...Aries has arrived! As the zodiac's first sign, you love to be number one. You're a solo star who steals the spotlight and inspires everyone with your confidence. You're also a loyal friend who likes to help struggling pals get ahead. Yeah, you can be impatient, even a little bossy, especially when you don't get your way. A high achiever, you have no time for games when you're concentrating on your mission. Try to schedule in time for fun, too—even if you have to "pencil it in."

As the baby of the zodiac, you need lots of attention. Fortunately, you have no problem getting it. Your friends love to follow as you lead them on the latest adventure. Make sure to let other people be the boss every now and then, too. Focus your competitive streak into a sport, hobby, or entrepreneurial venture and you'll rise to the top!

CELEBRITY STARMATES

Reese Witherspoon

Lady Gaga

Maya Angelou

Kate Hudson

Sarah Jessica Parker

Victoria Beckham

Fergie

Diana Ross

Emma Watson

Gloria Steinem

Keira Knightly

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THE ARIES LOOK

Dress to express the best traits of your sign.

Aries is a true original. You want to be the first and the only girl on the block to rock a daring look. You don't follow trends, you set them, and you could care less if your style experimentation brings a citation from the fashion police.

You express your creativity through your clothes, so shopping can get expensive. Your key to fashion is to let your imagination run wild while keeping tabs on your wallet. Still, you just don't look good in the trendy cheapies. Splurge on a few expensive staples like a great jacket, tall boots, and jeans, then, head for the aftermarket designer discount stores.

Your best look is class with a little sass! As the zodiac's baby you shop in the Junior's department into old age, or wear a pink tutu at age 35. Make sure you mix those girly pieces with grown up styles to strike the right balance. Red is the Aries hue, so accessorize like your name was Scarlett O'Hara.

Aries rules the face, so a face-framing haircut, hair accessories, hats and striking earrings will help you stand out. Given the choice, you like being the center of attention, so why not go for wild hair or modish, oversized hats?

As the zodiac's superstar diva, you'll need your stage wardrobe too. When it's time to dress up, you can pull out all the stops. Big hair, sequins, bright colors, wild costume-y styles and patterns—you are a runway designer's dream come true. Some clothes only look good on the catwalk...and on you!



YOUR STYLE PROFILE

Colors: Red, burgundy, rust

Focus areas: Head, face, hair

Fabric: Cotton

Best Looks: Face-framing hairstyles, edgy cuts, mix-and-match styles, layered basics with a bright pop of glamour, colorful tights and skirts, statement bags and jewelry

Stay Away From: Drab or muted colors, overly—conservative classics, anything that makes you fade into the background, too much black, low—cut or overly—sexy pieces

HOME DECOR

For active Aries, your home is both your workshop and your royal retreat.



Active, fiery Mars rules Aries—and what color is more energetic than your signature hue of red? Shots of crimson and hot pink around the house, especially in the office, keep you motivated. You're sensitive to light and hue, and you get depressed easily. Avoid muddy or muted colors and bolster your spirits with bright tones. Deep Bordeaux is as dark as you should go, and it can set the dramatic mood you love. Use red as an accent in every room, especially in kitchen and dining areas, as it's said to stimulate the appetite.

Warrior Aries has a naturally competitive spirit. You love to decorate with symbols of your conquests, or whatever motivates you for life's battles. Inspirational quotes, trophies or mementos of your glory make great home accessories. A home office should also be part of your plan, as many Aries women are entrepreneurs. Create yours as a shrine to your accomplishments, and build plenty of bookshelves, since you love to read!

As much as energetic Aries likes to tackle projects, you often fail to finish them when too many details demand your attention. A clean, organized home will help you focus. Hire a housekeeper if you must, as you tend to be obsessive once you start cleaning. You hate germs, so better not to deal with them at all!

Aries maintain a frantic pace, and you'll need a separate room to soothe yourself after a long, hectic day. Because you're highly intellectual and imaginative, create a "play area" where you can express your artistic passion. This will keep you stimulated, but also optimistic, since you find it difficult to really relax. You could even transform an extra room into a painting studio or a dance area.

Aries rules the mind, and you need to unwind and blow off excess energy. Make a meditation area where you can follow a spiritual or inspirational practice, or perhaps try a yoga DVD. When you're cut off from physical activity, you can become depressed or unhealthy. Carve out a revitalizing space in which to release pent-up energy.



FITNESS & HEALTH

Ruled by warrior planet Mars, exercise helps you release your fighting spirit.

Body Part

Head, face, brain

Health & Fitness Style

Aries enjoys challenge, and your fitness routine should include it. Kickboxing or working directly with a trainer provides that needed dose of one-on-one attention! Pursue exercise that allows you to blow off the considerable steam your passionate nature builds up in a typical day. For Aries, unhealthy eating or sluggishness is always linked to an emotional block. Be sure to have plenty of outlets for releasing your stress and anger.

Yoga is a particularly great practice for Aries, who can be overly enthusiastic or impatient. Hot yoga is great because as a fire sign, you naturally gravitate toward heat and intensity—not to mention a challenging new experience. DVDs and home equipment also work well because you can be a private sign, and much of the challenge you crave is an inner ordeal.



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Food & Eating Habits

Aries is headstrong, but when it comes to the stomach, you may actually prefer bland food. Still, you tend to be fussy while insisting on variety, so learn how to cook or find a favorite spot that prepares your food exactly the way you like it. You can be a stress eater with a sweet tooth, and you'll nervously nibble on the same slice of cheesecake for a whole week. But because you don't

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eat that much, you might as well splurge on a small, rich treat rather than something fat-free and unfulfilling. Since Aries like their fires stoked, try food in your signature red color, like barbecued chicken, marinara sauce or strawberries.

Keeping That Glow

To continue shining brilliantly, try pursuing Eastern and holistic medicine, drinking raw juice, or practicing yoga. You don't need much, just a high-intensity burst of exercise that releases unexpressed energy. Try spa visits, massages, or facials, too, because Aries rules the face and head. If you're angry or stressed, it will quickly show in your expression!

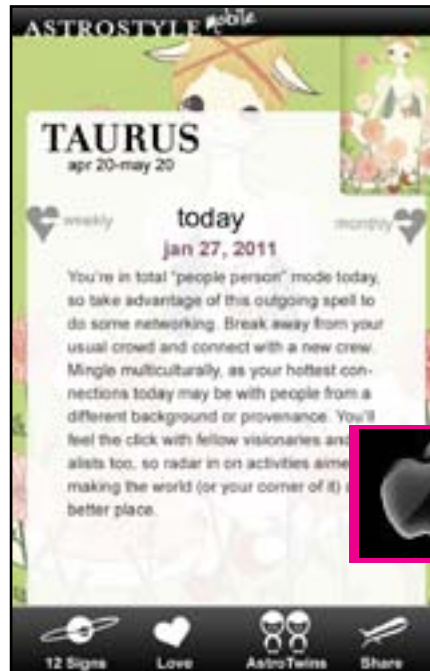
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ARIES IN LOVE

How do you balance your fierce independence with another person's needs?

In love, Aries is a one-on-one person. You can never get too much attention or solo time with your sweetie. You'll put your partner first in all matters, and you expect the same in return. If your mate's universe doesn't include a starring role for you, there's simply no point in being together.

That doesn't mean you're a shrinking violet, though! Aries is one of the most independent zodiac signs. You're not into being suffocated or controlled. You just love attention (giving and receiving), and you want to share your most intimate side with someone you can trust.



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It's been said that the biggest gift we can offer is to listen to another person. Aries are masters of this. You give your full heart and attention in a relationship, often "stage mothering" or playing the heroic savior for the object of your affections. This can become a bit suffocating for both you and your partner at times, so monitor this tendency carefully. Otherwise, your independent spirit will rebel, wreaking havoc on your relationship. That Aries temper can blindsides you at times, and out of frustration you can say things that are quite cruel. The remedy? Carve out "me time" every day. Being alone to breathe, relax, and tune in to your thoughts helps you stay centered and balanced in love.

Because you're the zodiac's first and "youngest" sign, you may secretly feel more dependent on your partner than you care to admit. When you're in a relationship, be sure to keep following your own pursuits so

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you remember how powerful you are. As the sign of the “self,” you must always maintain a strong sense of who you are as an individual if you want to succeed in love.

Aries is a competitive and macho sign. You guard your mate like a prized possession. You're not above a jealous fistfight, if someone tries to steal your title! You may be private about your relationship's intimate details, but you want the world to know exactly who you're with!

Although your appetite is lusty and you radiate sensuality, at the end of the day, you want that special someone who truly gets you. Although you may naively hang on to a bad match, you don't tolerate disrespect once the blinders come off. You're quick to say “next!” the minute you recognize that you're not the apple of your partner's eye.



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MEET YOUR MATCH


How do you gel with the other 12 zodiac signs?

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 A cosmic challenge

 Pretty divine

 Takes work to harmonize

 The stars are aligned

You + Aries



The Good. Let the games begin! When two superstar Aries team up, it's pure passion and electricity. You'll ignite each other's fiery spirits and awaken your inner daredevils. Since you both move at lightning speed, your relationship could evolve almost overnight. You're both equally independent and possessive, and you understand each other's ability to swing between the two extremes. You'll applaud each other to new heights of fame and dream up starpowered schemes that could make you both famous.

The Bad. When two fame monsters unite, who will be the center of whose universe? You may vie for the spotlight to the point of vicious competition. Both of you need to be babied, and you can fall into self-absorbed spells. As a result there is a tendency to ignore each other's needs to the point of neglect. With your fiery tempers, arguments can get fierce, even violent. Neither one of you backs down or compromises easily, but the "my way or the highway" schtick could bring this relationship to ruins.

You + Taurus



The Good. The Bull and the Ram make an energetic matchup. Lively, innovative Aries brings the creative vision, while practical Taurus creates a plan to make these wild ideas come true. You're both passionate people, although you express it in different ways. Aries likes to be in constant movement, while Taurus keeps a stable beat and makes sure the home fires are burning. Aries likes to be spoiled by a mate, while Taurus loves to spoil. There's a fairy tale quality to your union, which can quickly take off at a galloping pace that leads you both straight down the aisle.

The Bad. Temper, temper. You're both prone to bursts of anger. Aries fuse is shorter and burns quicker, but when Taurus sees red, s/he can do serious damage. While Taurus is happy to help, Aries can take advantage of the Bull's kindness, shafting Taurus with the grunt work. Go-getter Aries may feel slowed by Taurus' plodding pace and adherence to structure, order, and rules. Taurus is family-oriented, while Aries is a true independent. Aries may run for the hills after one too many. Taurus' Sunday dinners or cozy nights by the fireplace.

You + Gemini



The Good. You both love high-intensity living and adrenaline-fueling adventures. Aries is a daredevil, Gemini a thrillseeker, and you'll inspire each other to take risks you might normally avoid. Natural wordsmiths, you'll have great communication between you, and will admire each other's clever wit. This is an easy connection with lots of fun times and light conversation. You're the perfect playmates, who will never bore each other, even if none of your ideas ever fully get off the ground.

The Bad. You're great partners for an adventure, but who's gonna keep the home fires burning? Neither one of you likes to deal with life's mundane (but necessary) tasks. Both Aries and Gemini are better at starting things than you are at finishing them. If neither of you wants to do the hard work, your shared dreams may sizzle then fizzle. You're both quick to react, so this relationship can get petty at times. The bickering can get exhaustive unless you both make an effort not to take everything so darn personally.

You + Cancer



The Good. Aries is the zodiac's baby; Cancer rules motherhood. You build a caring, nurturing connection that provides the security you both crave. Starpowered Aries rocks the spotlight, while Cancer is happy to "stagemother" from behind-the-scenes. Your combined creative talents produce the stuff legends and award shows are made of. Since you're both ultra-sensitive, you don't have to explain why you take things so personally sometimes.

The Bad. Aries is a born independent who can't be fenced in by other people's rules and demands. Cancer is family-oriented and will do what's best for everyone involved. If the Crab makes too many sacrifices for the Ram, resentment could build. Both signs can be divas and when you don't get your way, pouting and silent treatments ensue. Aries is a daredevil, which can seriously unsettle play-it-safe Cancer. On-the-go Aries likes to travel light (and often) while Cancer is a homebody and a collector.

You + Leo



The Good. You're two wildly independent fire signs with a flair for drama. Everything feels supersized when the two of you are together, and you'll turn heads with your combined starpower. Since you're both passionate people, romance is hot and takes off fast! You'll dream up big ideas and encourage each other to make them happen. Provided you aren't competing for the same role, you'll be each other's number one fans.

The Bad. Too much fire can burn if you're not careful. You both want to be the center of attention and a competitive vibe can crop up between you. Aries' strong will may wound Leo's sensitive soul, especially if the Ram dishes up too much tough love. Leo loves long and winding poetic conversations that can try Aries' short patience. You both need adoration, but may not give it as eagerly as you receive it. This could leave you feeling neglected and unfulfilled.

You + Virgo



The Good. Helpful Virgo is the best supporting castmate for superstar Aries. Those lofty visions the Ram dreams up could actually become a reality with Virgo's pragmatic, project management skills. Aries brings excitement into Virgo's universe, encouraging Virgo to take more chances and just go for it without deliberating endlessly. Virgo teaches Aries the power of protocol and process. While you operate at different speeds, you are both passionate about causes you believe in.

The Bad. Aries is self-focused, while Virgo is others-focused, and this can bring a serious clash. Virgo may find Aries to be narcissistic or diva-like. Aries may feel that Virgo has a messiah complex. Passionate Aries can overwhelm cool, measured Virgo with all that fire. Critical Virgo can wound Aries with the "helpful" remarks. While Virgo is generally happy to help, Aries must be sure to return the favor on a regular basis or the relationship could get lopsided.

You + Libra



The Good. Opposites attract! Aries is the zodiac's fiery warrior and Libra is the loving peacemaker. While Aries will break through boundaries, Libra can soothe people's feelings when the two of you get to the other side. Go-getter Aries motivates Libra to pick up the pace and get into action. Thoughtful, deliberate Libra helps Aries slow down and look before s/he leaps. Aries brings the passion to this union while Libra brings the romantic, poetic touches. You both need a certain amount of space and solitude, which you'll give each other happily.

The Bad. You operate at completely different speeds. Leisurely Libra takes it slow, while impatient Aries can't get there fast enough. Passion can cool if Libra's pace is too slow for fireball Aries. Reactive, emotional Aries drops stress bombs all over Libra's Zen-like universe. This disrupts Libra's inner harmony and throws you both off center. Aries addresses conflict quickly and directly. Libra avoids it at all costs. Discussing the issues that arise in your relationship could require a team of therapists.

You + Scorpio



The Good. You're both ruled by warrior planet Mars, which brings a fiery, passionate energy to the mix. There's no shortage of chemistry and lust between you, and the physical connection can evolve quickly. Aries' starpower and ambition is a total turn-on for power-loving Scorpio. In turn, Scorpio provides a delicious challenge for Aries, who will be intrigued to meet someone who can't be readily dominated or overpowered. The cat-and-mouse games could get intense, which is an aphrodisiac to both of you.

The Bad. You're playing with fire here, so you need to tend to the flames carefully so you don't burn each other. Dealing with the practical aspects of life is not a forte here; in fact, this relationship could become an unhealthy obsession that leaves you both feeling ungrounded and off-center. Aries is outspoken and independent, while Scorpio is secretive and possessive. Your differing communication styles can provoke distrust. Face it: you can't control each other, so it's best to stop trying ASAP.

You + Sagittarius



The Good. A match made in heaven! As the zodiac's ultimate free spirits, you two fire signs have finally found your interdependent other half. Innovative, original Aries electrifies Sagittarius with visionary plans and extreme creativity. Sagittarius sees the big picture and helps Aries take those dreams to the finish line. You're both serial entrepreneurs who love to travel. Starting businesses together may be a hallmark of your union. As a couple, you'll have mind-blowing conversations and adventures beyond your dreams!

The Bad. Temper, temper! As fellow fire signs, the heat can get too fierce, and neither one of you backs down easily from a fight. Your independence could take you down different paths—will you ever be in the same city long enough to truly connect? With your busy lives, romance may get lost in the shuffle. Sagittarius is a people pleaser and Aries is happy to be spoiled. Resentment may brew if Aries forgets to return Sagittarius' generous gifts, or Sag keeps giving past the point of resentment.

You + Capricorn



The Good. Aries is the zodiac's baby, and Capricorn is the Big Poppa sign. In the right balance, your roles can dovetail beautifully. Spunky, wild Aries gets perfectionist Capricorn to play and take more chances. Even-keeled Cap helps Aries channel that firepower into a practical, profitable plan. You're both ambitious go-getters who love being in the public eye. Together, you're the ultimate power couple, capable of achieving legendary dreams together.

The Bad. There's a huge focus on achieving and looking good here, but what happens when you drop the social masks? Aries' babyish demands can exhaust Capricorn. Capricorn's cool control can make the Ram feel caged in. Capricorn is the sign of repression, and may avoid dealing with emotions by trying to support Aries constant whims. Capricorn's practical style can crush Aries' playful spirit. Aries' explosive side can upset Capricorn's steady pace. You're both strong-willed and won't back down in a fight. A struggle may be never-ending.

You + Aquarius



The Good. This is the ideal best friends with benefits arrangement. The laughs don't stop when you two jokesters team up. Aries is the sign of the individualist, while Aquarius is the team player, and your social styles are generally complementary. Aries helps Aquarius gain more comfort in the spotlight while Aquarius reminds Aries to consider other people's feelings and perspectives. You inspire each other to grow and be more adventurous.

The Bad. Aquarius plays it cool while affectionate Aries likes to keep it hot—you definitely fall in different places on the passion scale. Levelheaded Aquarius won't understand why Aries gets so worked up emotionally. Aries will sometimes wonder if Aquarius has a pulse. Both signs struggle with anger management, although the Aries fire tends to blaze up in quick, frequent spurts, while Aquarius crackles unexpectedly like a bolt of lightning. Fights can turn ugly, and even verge on violent.

You + Pisces



The Good. Aries and Pisces share a passion for all things creative. You're both constantly cooking up new dreams and schemes. Aries lights the fire and gets Pisces to take more chances. Pisces' deep and soulful style reminds Aries that haste makes waste. Aries loves to be fawned over and adored. Pisces prefers to play the Best Supporting Castmate role. With starpowered Aries on stage, and inventive Pisces working behind the scenes, you make a formidable team. The relationship may feel like a beautiful escape that only the two of you understand.

The Bad. Aries is the visionary, Pisces is the dreamer, but the missing dose of reality can put this romance on shaky ground. You both have a tendency to dramatize your feelings and can stir up each other's victim complexes. That "us against the world" mentality won't put money in the bank or food on the table. You may need an outside structure to remind you two to be proactive and logical. Communication can break down, as Aries is direct and aggressive, while passive Pisces holds everything inside.

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DATE PLANNER



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You are a steel magnolia 99% of the time, Aries. When it comes to your love life, however, you prefer to surrender control to a dashing and magnanimous partner. You want to be wowed and wooed simultaneously—and reaching for your wallet is out of the question on early dates. Warning! Given how particular your tastes can be, you can be difficult to please. Fortunately, you have no trouble vocalizing what you do and don't like, so provide your sweetie with quality information. Just make sure to speak up before he's dropped hundreds on floor seat tickets to a show you can't stand or hired a private chef to cook dishes that you abhor.

Activity dates are fine as long as you don't ruin your hair and makeup in the process. You'll gladly show off your starpowered skills on the karaoke mic or flaunt your rhythmic mojo on the dance floor. You love to be entertained too: movies, concerts and plays are right up your alley. Bonus points to the date who can get you into the VIP section of the club. Being around an elite and intellectual crowd rocks your world, so attending an exclusive party as a couple can get you totally charged up.

As a relationship progresses, you relax significantly and prefer to share adventure dates with your mate, checking off all the items on your Bucket List one by one. Skydiving, snorkeling, snowboarding, jumping off a cliff on matching hang gliders—you're a total thrillseeker at heart who considers an adrenaline rush to be the sexiest aphrodisiac. You're up for an emotional adventure too, frolicking on nude beaches and dragging your honey to a tantric breathwork retreat.

WHAT TO DO ON A DATE

Take Aries to their favorite restaurants: these fussy eaters love to frequent their favorite joint

Intellectual Aries love to learn so a lecture at a nearby university will stimulate a great discussion

Aries can be party animals, so head to a club or house party. Just make sure you're always close at hand when Aries wants your attention. They despise being ignored!

Action movies with fighting scenes can stimulate the warrior in Aries

Many Aries are highly political, so check out a film or play about global issue

Poetry is an Aries favorite, so head to open mic night at a café and don't be surprised if your Aries steps up to the stage!

BREAKUP RECOVERY

How your sign can move on when the honeymoon is over.

The Breakup Breakdown

Aries, though you can be quite a heartbreaker, your sign takes breakups particularly hard. As the sign of self-love, you have a lot of pride, and being rejected is a big blow to your ego. While others may doubt themselves, most Aries wonder: “Why wouldn’t someone want to be with me?” You know you’re a catch!

With that philosophy, it would seem that you’d move on quickly. Alas, no. Independent Aries don’t commit easily. You know you’re special, so you’ll hold out for your prince or princess—the person who has exactly what you want in a mate. No settling!

Once you find that special someone, you pour yourself fully into the relationship. Aries, you have a childlike innocence about you, and you want that happily-ever-after fantasy. Many Aries have had famous fairy-tale weddings (Celine Dion, Mariah Carey, Star Jones and Sarah Michelle Gellar, to name a few).



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Deep down, Aries are terrified of abandonment. Losing your mate makes you feel alone and helpless, which you hate. You expect every real relationship to last forever. You’ll fight to make it last, even if you’re miserable with this person and the love has died. Years can pass before you have another serious relationship. So how do you move on and have love in your life again?

BREAKUP BOOKSHELF: A FEW OF OUR GO-TO GUIDES

Mars & Venus Starting Over by John Gray

Radical Forgiveness by Colin Tipping

Making Sense of Men by Alison Armstrong and Roxana Villa

Why Wait? Create Your Soulmate Now! by Frank Polancic

Are You the One for Me? Knowing Who’s Right and Avoiding Who’s Wrong by Barbara DeAngelis

Calling In The One: Seven Weeks to Attract the Love of Your Life by Katherine Thomas

Heart Healing Tips for Aries

GET MAD.

Angry Rams need to release some rage. Otherwise, you get stuck in bitterness, which only hurts you. A wise saying goes, “Resentment is like drinking the poison and hoping the other person dies.” Crank up some pro-woman tunes by Aries divas Chaka Khan and Aretha Franklin (“R-E-S-P-E-C-T/Find out what it means to me”). Dance wildly and shout the lyrics!

DEAL WITH REALITY

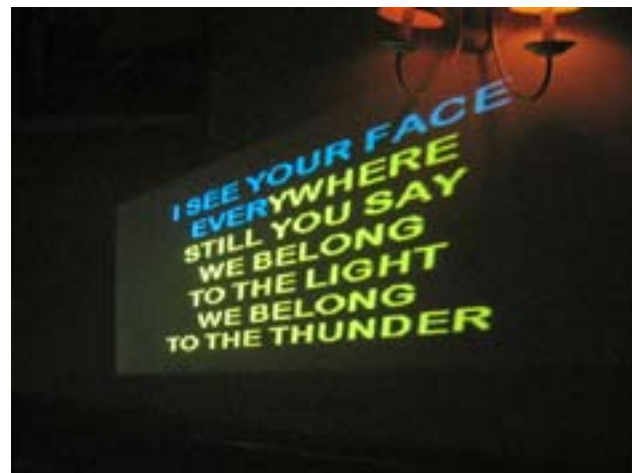
We know you’ve lost your fantasy, and it’s hard to let go. But try to see this person as a human being with flaws and struggles, just like you. Nobody is an angel. Take off the blinders and see with perspective, instead of clinging to your ideal picture.

PLAY WITH FIRE.

As a fire sign, you like a little pyromania. Burn photos or letters from the ex. When you feel extra-low, write down your negative thoughts (“I’ll never meet another true love again”) and torch the pages, then flush the ashes. Adios!

CRY YOUR EYES OUT.

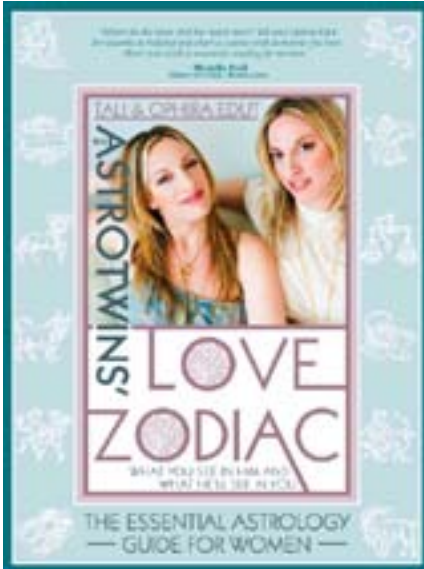
Emotional Aries need to release all the hurt you keep inside. Listen to power-ballads by Aries songstresses Mariah Carey (“I Still Believe”), Celine Dion (“The Power of Love”) and Selena (“Dreaming of You”). Yeah, they’re sappy—and they’re exactly what you need to trigger an awesome cry.



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THE SETTING.

Aries women fearlessly make declarations of love, and your wedding may well reflect your larger-than-life, bold-as-brass style of affection. We won't be surprised if you popped the question! Many Aries brides never give up those childhood visions of fairy-tale weddings—remember the famously extravagant nuptials of Celine Dion and Mariah Carey's first wedding? Yes, they are both Aries. However, some impulsive Rams may want to hop the next flight to Vegas the moment they get engaged. With your feminist convictions, you may eschew the whole traditional route and do something simple, intimate and meaningful. The point is, whether you fill a church like Celine or escape to a private beach, it's got to be done your way! Scout out an original location, like a theme park or an old firehouse. You can ride off with your groom in a fire truck at the end! Freedom-loving

Rams love to be thrilled, so how about a breathtaking view from a rooftop garden or an exotic cliff in Hawaii? Aries is a fire sign, so decorate with lots of candles and warm uplights for the glowing ambience you love.

THE DRESS.

You're a thoughtful sign, Aries, and you take your wedding seriously. It's not every day that you to step out of power-woman mode and relax into sheer girliness. You need to feel like this day is special and unlike any other. It's your turn to wear bridal white, and do all the things you dreamed about as a little girl. At the same time, you can't stand blending into the crowd or being a follower. As one Aries bride put it, she was fulfilling a little girl's fantasy (Aries is the eternal child) while making sure that she wouldn't be ignored—which Aries hate! Fortunately, you love a challenge, so here's your mission: find a classic wedding gown that's also original and unforgettable. The diva is in the details for you: a ballerina skirt, an unusual frill at the top of your bodice, an asymmetrical gown, even a see-through back. You need something that says, "I may be following tradition today, but I'm still my own person." Don't be afraid to try a trendy touch. Aries is an old-fashioned girl and a feminist rolled into one, so let your style express it. If you do antique lace on top, for example, consider an artfully shredded hem or some other roughed-up touch to keep you from looking and feeling too sweet. Everyone knows you're a powerhouse, Aries, so don't be afraid to own it! A custom-made dress is perfect for you, or you could try a Bohemian look.

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THE BRIDAL PARTY

You're all about girl power and solidarity, Aries, but let's face it, you also need to be the center of attention today. Under no circumstance can your bridesmaids upstage you. Keep their outfits simple and unadorned—or infuse your signature color, red, into the day with burgundy velvet or scarlet silk dresses. Have your maids form an arch by holding up crimson Chinese parasols, flanking your procession up the aisle. Don't forget the kids! You adore children (other people's, anyway), so dress up a cherubic little ring bearer in angel wings. Because you're a masculine sign, some Aries women have more male friends than female ones. Create a crew of merry “bridesmen” dressed in red kilts for a memorable walk to the altar.

THE HONEYMOON

A combination of adventure and diva-style indulgence makes for the perfect Aries honeymoon. You're independent and thrill-seeking, but you also love to be pampered like a princess. Consider booking a private, over-the-water bungalow in Bora Bora, where you'll relax in exclusive French Polynesian style. Have breakfast delivered to your room by canoe, cruise around on a catamaran, and get your thrills from deep-sea diving. Curious about the Far East? Head to Tokyo and stimulate your senses to the hilt. From the neon-lit shopping district to the Kabuki theater shows and amazing food, you'll never be bored. Hike Mount Fuji for a physical challenge, and when your brain hits overload, catch a train to the quieter outer cities to see the gorgeous temples.



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THE RING.

You're not afraid of a little bling, Aries. A trendy, one-of-a-kind piece is right up your alley, so visit a custom jeweler who can fulfill your vision. You love a good story, so make your ring a conversation piece by inscribing a meaningful phrase or pattern on your band. Aries love red, so a pink diamond could also suit your taste, as long as it's not too girly. As a fire sign, you look great in round diamonds that have lots of facets (just like you) with a halo setting, which features small diamonds and/or colored stones surrounding a larger center stone. Pair that with a double band and lots of pavé—multiple small diamonds set close together in a surface and held in place by tiny prongs.

BRIDEZILLA ALERT: DEMANDING DIVA

You're ambitious enough to plan a royal wedding, but you'll need help carrying it out. You're great at delegating, but make sure your friends don't feel you've dumped too much responsibility for your big day on their shoulders, or you could alienate them. Unfortunately, people are fundamentally self-absorbed, so while they will show up for the party, they may complain about your diva act months down the road. Better to hire a professional so you can enjoy yourself—that's the point of today, isn't it?



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CAREER & LIFE PURPOSE

Fearless Aries was born to lead.



The Aries Path

Aries, you're a born leader who loves to be in charge. And why shouldn't you? As the warrior sign, you embrace any challenge, and champion every project you take on. Being somebody's second in command is not your speed. That will only work as a stepping-stone to your ultimate goal (world domination, of course!), or if the position offers enough excitement and control—a chance to flaunt your leadership skills and rise to the top.

Naturally independent, you're wired to be an entrepreneur or freelancer. As long as you choose an industry that allows you to interact with the public, you'll be in good stead. Too much alone time is not healthy for your sign, as you tend to turn into a loner when you have nothing motivating you out of your house. Once you ARE out in the world, it's all lights, camera, action. Your larger-than-life personality is enough to carry a brand to success like Aries feminist icon Gloria Steinem who founded Ms. magazine on her courageous, spunky, and heroic reputation. You're also a spotlight stealer, and could rake in the big bucks as a performer like Aries divas Mariah Carey, Celine Dion, Aretha Franklin and Diana Ross.

BEST CAREERS FOR ARIES

- entrepreneur
- publicist
- defense attorney
- holistic healer
- professor
- motivational speaker
- stuntperson
- hairdresser
- salesperson
- magazine editor
- agent

Pitfalls to avoid

Taking on more than you can handle: Aries is the solo sign, and if you're not careful you could end up doing everything yourself! (Just so it gets done right, you'll say.) If the office closes at 5:00, there's no need to stay until midnight. Learn the art of delegating, and hand the grunt work off to a persistent Taurus or a detail-oriented Scorpio, who will get it done in half the time.

All that independent energy could also make you a bit bossy at times. Be careful not to cross the line from determined to dictator! If you work with a team, make sure they're as motivated as you are. Give them plenty of encouragement and appreciation to keep the good vibes flowing. Your praise, more than any other sign's, can put rocket fuel in a slacking teammate's or employee's tank.

Hotheadedness. You're quick to anger and lunge into a full-on stampede. As a result, you may frequently say things in anger that you later regret, alienating valuable colleagues. Better to temper the flames and pick your battles, rather than destroying everything by your refusal to compromise.



YOUR ULTIMATE PURPOSE:
To create a fully original product that allows people to express themselves.

MONEY

How to embrace your inner Rich Girl and keep money in the bank.

Your money management style

When it comes to money matters, you try to save, but many times you actually end up splurging. Even though you may show an independent, self-sufficient face to the outside world, you never feel completely safe. As a result you may end up living off somebody else or marrying young to give yourself a sense of security.

Because yours is the sign of the “baby,” you can get thrown off when your primary needs aren’t being met. To avoid financial pitfalls, sit down, make a budget and lean towards long-term, tangible investments rather than indulging your first whim. Because partnership figures so strongly for Aries, you could benefit from working with a money manager or a friend who reassures you as you learn to be more self-reliant. While Aries has a taste for robust adventure, moderation and balance are key to keeping your finances in check.

YOUR SPENDING HABITS

You don’t like living without your needs being met. When you do, you will eventually treat yourself and potentially overdo it. You swing between sacrificial scrimping and pampering yourself by buying everything in sight. You like to pick up cute little gifts for people whenever you see something special, though you’re still predisposed to spending on yourself. Remember that a little self-control can go a long way.

Favorite splurges

Books, classes, lavish desserts, red clothes, purses and accessories, souvenirs, jewelry, pleasantly-tactile objects, digital downloads

How to Attract more wealth

You have an inborn, irrational fear that you can’t make it on your own, which frequently puts you in “survival mode.” Being financially dependent on someone will quickly destroy your self-worth because the trade-off is too great—you’ll sacrifice freedom for a place to rest your head. The best way to counter this is to take small, regular steps to remain independent and learn how to trust yourself. When you let your fears rule, you actually block the universe’s flow and won’t do your best work.



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Family, Babies, Kids...Oh My!

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TRAVEL

Independent Aries won't be slowed down by anyone else's itinerary.

Because Aries can be a little bit paranoid in new places (all those germs and strangers), your natural thirst for adventure may start later in life. Once you leave city limits and catch the travel bug, though, you'll be hooked. The stimulation of new sights, sounds and tastes appeals to your natural sense of adventure.

Travel for business is likely, but don't just focus on that. Save up and treat yourself to a trip, even a solo itinerary. Avoid guided tours and traveling with strangers, because you're easily annoyed when following another's agenda. Freedom and relaxation should be key goals. You love to have everything on your own terms, and you need a break from thinking, so seek comfortable luxury over roughing it.

A perfect vacation for Aries should include thrills (parasailing, jet-skiing, or even an inspiring convention) and chills (lounging by the pool with a great book while a cute waiter brings you exotic cocktails). Bottom line: travel should expand your sense of independence and inspire you.

All-girl trips are right up your alley; you need time to indulge your feminine side. You may want to get your own room, though—having your own space is so important. You're open to traveling alone, too, and why not? Pack your bags and head to Paris. You'll have fun soaking in the culture and observing the French. Knowing you, you'll have a few guys named Jean-Pierre proposing to you before your trip is over.



ENTERTAINING

With your lavish preparations, you'll need a disco nap before your party starts.



Your sign is impulsive and spontaneous, so whenever you throw a party, it's bound to be unforgettable. For that reason, you prefer hosting intimate gatherings where you indulge yourself and your closest friends—or else you'll be the absolute center of a dazzling extravaganza. Either way, you're a born diva and are likely to preside over the festivities, stealing the show without trying.

You work and play hard, but when you're hosting a party, it's best not to do all the work yourself. Hire a caterer, a limo, a band—or rent a karaoke machine. You're great at planning and working out every detail with perfect finesse, but let others do the bulk of the physical work while you add the finishing touches. Otherwise, you'll exhaust yourself, and could be too drained to enjoy the festivities.

One of your signature traits is that you can't hide your feelings and be fake. Avoid inviting unpleasant guests who could ruin your evening. You prefer to take the lead and control the guest list, the music, the menu and the evening's activities, so make sure you invite those who will most appreciate your efforts. As a hostess, you're enthusiastic and generous and want to make sure everyone has a great time.

Of course, your parties aren't always planned months in advance. You're a great impulse hostess with friends in every port. Keep a couple bottles of red wine or sparkling cider handy, along with crackers and expensive cheese. Be ready to entertain people when they're in town for business or just want to drop by for a visit.



FAMILY DYNAMICS

Independent Aries needs lots of personal space within a family unit.



As the zodiac's most independent sign, family is a somewhat bizarre concept to you. Sure, you love your relatives, but you don't need to be around them 24/7. It can be especially difficult for an Aries child to share a room with a sibling, as you need to carve out your own space to retreat to and work in private on your many creative projects.

Your maverick M.O. changes, however, should you have kids of your own. You're a protective parent who is simultaneously hands-on and hands-off. You want your kids to learn how to fend for themselves in the rough and rugged world and you'll teach them to be tough. You might fall into the trap of stagemothership from time to time too. What can you say? Your kids are a reflection of you, and you want your desire for excellence to rub off on them.



Your favorite family members are ones who will baby you when you need to be coddled and leave you alone when you want to fly free. Many Aries are notorious Daddy's Girls. Your warrior spirit connects to masculine energy well, but you also love being spoiled and cooed over when you pull off one of your impressive feats.

Issue to Manage: Disappearing Acts

As the zodiac's solo star, you don't fit naturally into a unit. Checking in with other people before you make a move? So not your thing! You want to come and go as you please, and have been known to pull a disappearing act on the family when you've reached your quota of people time. This doesn't bode quite so well for your relatives. Anger and frustration can arise when they realize that say, you slipped away from the dinner table without acknowledging that you wouldn't be back. Learning to communicate your whereabouts and stick around for dessert from time to time can keep the family harmony intact.





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FRIENDSHIP

When it comes to friendship, you may be the zodiac's most misunderstood girl. Your communication style is direct and to the point, but people often take that the wrong way. Admit it, you've accidentally offended a person or two. Your take: "If they'd only listen and do it my way, everyone would be happy!" But there's a fine line between taking charge and forcing an agenda. With time, most Aries learn the difference.

Although you don't like compromise, you can be a brilliant diplomat. Learning patience is key. Just tone down your argumentative edge and consider the other person's point of view. Pause and listen to what they're saying. If you find yourself striving to prove your point, back off and breathe for a moment. You may be a warrior goddess, but use wisdom before you pull out your weapons and attack. The more you practice this, the more you'll perfect a tactful response.

You prefer to either spend quality time with a few close friends, or to be the center of attention in a huge group—but nothing in between. Because Aries rule the nervous system, you're sensitive to noises, smells and other people's vibes, so you can become a little distracted if there's too much stimulation. You're great at one-on-one conversation, and love to have a stimulating talk about ideas that fascinate you. That said, a charged-up dance floor may feature you smack in the middle of it, rousing the enthusiastic crowd.

You're more likely to socialize if it's connected to forwarding your personal goals—you prefer hanging out with a purpose. If not, there had better be invigorating conversation and a long-lasting connection for your Rolodex.



GIFT GUIDE: THE PERFECT PRESENTS FOR ARIES

Bright red, purple or fuschia accessories like a wallet or purse

A bodywork session: perhaps a massage or acupuncture

Adrenaline rushes: skydiving, a helicopter ride or even hang-gliding

Boxing gloves and lessons to go with it

A high-end facial

Karaoke machine

Dinner at a chic restaurant (in the VIP section)



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PLANETS & THEIR MEANINGS



How do the planets affect you? Every planet orbits the sun at a different speed, going slower and slower the farther they are from the sun. Each one is said to affect a different part of your personality.

The “inner planets”— the sun, moon, Mercury, Mars and Venus—move quickly through the zodiac. As a result, they affect your day-to-day life, moods and habits.

The “outer planets” — Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune, Uranus, and Pluto — move slowly, changing signs every 1-12 years. As a result, they shape the bigger trends in your life. In fact, Neptune, Uranus and Pluto orbit the sun so slowly that they’re said to shape entire generations.

Each planet is associated with a zodiac sign, and that sign will exhibit traits of the planet. For example, turbo-charged Aries is ruled by warrior planet Mars. Cheerful Sagittarius is ruled by optimistic Jupiter. If you want to learn more about your sign, look no further than its ruling planet! (P.S. We still look at Pluto as a “real” planet, even though astronomers have recently diminished its status to “dwarf planet.” Its impact is undeniable in astrology.)

PLANET	AFFECTS	SIGN IT RULES	CHANGES SIGNS
Sun	your basic personality	Leo	every month
Moon	moods & emotions	Cancer	every 2-3 days
Mercury	mind & communication	Gemini, Virgo	every month
Mars	drive & energy	Aries	every 1-2 months (varies)
Venus	love & attraction	Taurus, Libra	every 1-2 months (varies)
Jupiter	luck, growth & wisdom	Aries	every year
Saturn	discipline & challenges	Capricorn	every 3 years
Uranus	change & originality	Aquarius	every 7 years
Neptune	dreams & healing	Pisces	every 10 years
Pluto	power & transformation	Scorpio	every 12+ years

THE 12 HOUSES OF THE ZODIAC



Like a clock, the zodiac is divided into 12 segments, or houses, each one ruled by a different sign. The zodiac begins with the first house, and goes counterclockwise around. Each house is associated with a set of traits, beginning from the self, and expanding outward into society and beyond. At the moment you were born, the planets were all in specific signs and houses. When an astrologer interprets your chart, she blends the meaning of each planet, the house it's in, and the sign it's in, to map the obstacles or gifts you'll face in this lifetime.

When planets visit a house, they light up that part of your chart, and energize that house's traits. Astrologers use the houses to predict which parts of your life will come into focus, and where you can take the best possible action. To learn more about a house, read about the sign that's associated with it.

1ST HOUSE

The first house begins the zodiac, and covers the all "firsts": first impressions, the self and appearance, leadership, new initiatives, fresh starts and beginnings. The sign on the cusp, or starting edge, of this house, is referred to as your rising sign or ascendant. (Ruled by Aries)

2ND HOUSE

The second house covers all matters related to your immediate material and physical environment—taste, smells, sound, touch, sights. The second house also rules income, money, and self-esteem. (Ruled by Taurus)

3RD HOUSE

The third house rules all forms of communication—talking, thinking, gadgets and devices (cell phones, pagers, Instant Messenger, etc.). The third house also covers siblings, neighborhoods, local travel, libraries, schools, teachers and community affairs. (Ruled by Gemini)

4TH HOUSE

The Cancer-ruled fourth house sits at the very bottom of the zodiac wheel, and thus, rules the "foundation" of all things. This includes your home, privacy, your basic security, your parents (particularly your mother), children, your own mothering abilities, nurturing, and TLC. (Ruled by Cancer)

5TH HOUSE

The fifth house is ruled by dramatic Leo, and it governs self-expression, drama, creativity, color, attention, romance, fun and play. (Ruled by Leo)

6TH HOUSE

The sixth house is the domain of health and service. It rules schedules, organization, routines, fitness, diet and exercise, natural and healthy living, helpfulness and being of service to others. (Ruled by Virgo)

7TH HOUSE

The seventh house is the sector of relationships and other people. It governs all partnerships, both business and personal, and relationship-associated matters, like contracts, marriage, and business deals. (Ruled by Libra)

8TH HOUSE

The eighth house is a mysterious sector that rules birth, death, sex, transformation, mysteries, merged energies, and bonding at the deepest level. The eighth house also rules other people's property and money (real estate, inheritances, investments, et. al. (Ruled by Scorpio)

9TH HOUSE

The ninth house covers the higher mind, expansion, international and long-distance travel, foreign languages, inspiration, optimism, publishing, broadcasting, universities and higher education, luck, risk, adventure, gambling, religion, philosophy, morals and ethics. (Ruled by Sagittarius)

10TH HOUSE

The tenth house is at the very top and most public part of the chart. The tenth house governs structures, corporations, tradition, public image, fame, honors, achievements, awards, boundaries, rules, discipline, authority, fathers and fatherhood. The cusp, or border, of the tenth house is also called the midheaven, and it clues astrologers into your career path. (Ruled by Capricorn)

11TH HOUSE

The eleventh house rules teams, friendships, groups, society, networking, social justice, rebellion, and humanitarian causes. It also rules originality, eccentricity, sudden events, surprises, invention, astronomy, science fiction and all things futuristic. (Ruled by Aquarius)

12TH HOUSE

The zodiac completes with the twelfth and final house, which rules endings. This house covers the final stages of a project, tying up loose ends, completions, the afterlife, old age, and surrender. It's also associated with separation from society, institutions, hospitals, jails, hidden agendas, and secret enemies. And it rules the imagination, creativity, arts, film, dance, poetry, journals, and the subconscious mind. (Ruled by Pisces)

THE ELEMENTS: FIRE, EARTH, AIR & WATER

The twelve zodiac signs are grouped into four “elements”—fire, earth, air and water. Each of these elementary groups has distinct traits. Together, they form the natural world, so each is in some way dependent on the other.

Fire Signs: Aries, Leo, Aries

Air Signs: Gemini, Libra, Aquarius

Earth Signs: Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn

Water Signs: Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces

FIRE SIGNS

Like fire itself, fire signs tend to be passionate, dynamic, and temperamental. Fire can keep you warm, or it can do great destruction. While fire burns out quickly without fuel to keep it going, it can also regenerate its power from the ashes. A single spark can set off a forest fire. As a result, fire signs need to be nurtured and managed carefully.

AIR SIGNS

Air signs are all about action, ideas, and motion—they are the “winds of change.” When a strong gust hits you, you can’t help but move. While some within their ranks may be true-life “airheads,” others are as powerful as a gravity-defying G-force. Air signs bring everyone a breath of fresh air when things start to get stale. Like the breeze, you can’t quite catch them, and you never know where they’ll drop you once they sweep you up. It will almost always been an adventure, though.

EARTH SIGNS

Earth signs keep it real. They are the “grounded” people on the planet, the ones who bring us down to earth and remind us to start with a solid foundation. Slow and steady, these “builders” are loyal and stable, and stick by their people through hard times. On good days, they’re practical; at worst, they can be materialistic or too focused on the surface of things to dig into the depths.

WATER SIGNS

Intuitive, emotional and ultra-sensitive, water signs can be as mysterious as the ocean itself. Like water, they can be refreshing, or they can drown you in their depths. These signs often have intense dreams and borderline-psychic intuition. Security is important to them—after all, water needs a container, or it dries up and disappears.

MOON & RISING SIGNS

There's more to your chart than your Sun sign—much more. At the moment you were born, each planet was in a specific sign at a specific degree. Your moon and rising sign are two of your chart's key features. Along with your sun sign, these two star players can tell a lot about your personality.

YOUR MOON SIGN

Your moon sign (where the moon was when you were born) shapes your emotions and your soul. It colors all the subconscious stuff going on below the surface—your deepest needs, and what helps you feel emotionally secure. Your moon sign can also influence how strongly your sun sign is expressed. For example, if you're a fiery Aries with a mellow Taurus moon, your aggressive nature may be toned down by the steady Taurus influence. Or, if you're a watery Scorpio with a watery Pisces moon, you could be extra emotional and intuitive, since these are the traits of water signs. Want to find your true soulmates? Check out your moon sign and theirs. Chances are, your moons are in compatible signs, or your sun and moon are in similar signs.

YOUR RISING SIGN

Your rising sign, also called your ascendant, is the sign that was rising over the eastern horizon when you were born. It can affect your appearance, your attitude, and the way you come across to others. For example, a conservative Capricorn with a Leo rising can appear to have some Leo-like features—s/he may have wild hair, an outgoing personality, and a more expressive style than the average Capricorn. If people always peg you for a sign other than your own, don't be surprised to discover that it's actually your rising sign.

How do you calculate your moon and rising signs? The moon moves into a different sign every 2-3 days, and the rising sign changes every two hours. You'll need to check moon sign and rising sign tables to determine yours. Visit our site at www.astrostyle.com, where you can do a free natal chart.

COSMIC EVENTS TO WATCH

NEW MOONS & FULL MOONS

Following moon cycles can be a great way to set goals and reap their benefits. Astrologers believe that our energy begins to build at the new moon, then peaks two weeks later at the full moon. New moons mark beginnings, and are the perfect time to kick off any new project or idea. Full moons are times for completions, creative outpourings, and harvesting. They're also your cue to cash in on anything you started at the new moon. Wrap up your success over the next two weeks as the moon dwindles, then begin the cycle all over again. In many cultures, farmers have planted by the new moon and harvested by the full moon.

ECLIPSES

Eclipses happen 2-3 times a year, bringing sudden changes and turning points to our lives. If you've been sitting on the fence about an issue, the eclipse will knock you off and force you to face the facts. Truths and secrets will rise to the surface. Things that aren't "meant to be" will be taken away. There are two types of eclipses—solar and lunar. Lunar eclipses happen when the earth passes directly between the sun and moon, cutting off their communication. A solar eclipse takes place when the new moon passes between the sun and the earth, shadowing the sun. The effect is similar to a spiritual power outage—it either makes you feel a little off-center, or makes your mind crystal clear. Expect the unexpected, and wait for the dust to settle before you act on any eclipse-fueled impulses.

RETROGRADES

You know those times when everything goes hay-wire, and you can't figure out why? A planet could be retrograde—meaning that from earth, it appears to be spinning backward. While this is just an optical illusion, it feels like an astrological reality! The areas that a retrograde planet rules may become weak or out of wack, causing chaos to erupt during this backspin.

Two major retrogrades to watch are Mercury and Venus. Mercury, planet of communication, transportation and technology, goes retrograde for three weeks about three times a year. Arguments and misunderstandings rage, plans fall apart, cars break down, and computers crash suddenly. Back up your digital files beforehand, postpone any deals, and plan to be explain yourself a few extra times. Love-planet Venus goes retrograde about once a year, and causes relationship craziness. Astrologers advise against proposals, weddings, and any major relationship moves during this 4-6 week period.

So what's good about retrogrades? The prefix re-means to go back—and retrogrades are a time to polish up projects already in the works, or to dig up ones you've set aside. Old friends and past issues can resurface, giving you a chance to reconnect or revise. This can be a useful time to resolve any arguments, revisit old ideas, research an idea or renew a commitment. Tighten up your routine during these periods, and you'll be ready to rock when the retrograde planet returns to "direct" (or forward) motion.



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12-MONTH PLANETARY PLANNER



january	career & achievement
february	friends & networking
march	finish everything
april	start something new
may	money
june	communicate

july	family
august	flirting
september	get in shape
october	relationships
november	get married
december	vacation

1 january career

Career, achievement and ambition are all featured now. Keep your eye on your goals and aim for them! People relate to you as a natural leader now, so take charge and step boldly into what you want. If you haven't commanded the respect you deserve, ask for it. If you're looking for fame, this is the month to put yourself directly in the spotlight. You could be honored and noticed for all your hard work. Acknowledge yourself for how far you've come!

2 february networking

There's strength in numbers, and the planets urge you to team up now. What better way to get your message out there than with a fun and lively crew? If career is your passion, join a networking group or attend a professional group meeting. If you're looking to expand

your circle of friends, try a book club, co-ed singles group, or an intramural sports team. Reconnect with old friends by hosting a party or reunion. Humanitarian efforts are also featured this month, so volunteer for a worthy cause. Get out and mingle!

3 march handle your business

Yawn! The Sun completes the last leg of its journey around your zodiac wheel, making you a little sleepy. Hold off on anything new and instead, think completion. Finish any lingering loose ends. You'll want a clean slate next month, when your personal New Year begins! Return phone calls, donate old clothes to charity, and resolve any conflicts. Get plenty of rest, and pour out your feelings in a journal or creative work. Your dreams are full of vivid messages, and your healing powers are strong. Consider volunteering at a hospital or with the elderly.



4 april

it's all about you



Make a fresh start! As the Sun enters your sign, you kick off your personal New Year. Think new! This is the time to launch projects, debut a new image, and take on a leading role. It's all about you now. Don't let demanding types take away from your "me" time. Say yes only to offers that take your dreams to the next level. Express yourself in a big way—be bold and fearless. You have the stage and the world is listening!

5 may

money & makeovers

Last month was all about getting in touch with the person you've become. Now, it's time to build an environment—and an income—that reflect the new you. Treat yourself to a makeover. Stock your fridge with gourmet groceries. Add a few fabulous pieces to your wardrobe, or pick up a beautiful vase or bed cover. Money is highlighted now. Are you earning what you're worth? Is it time for a new job or a raise? Does your budget allow you to both splurge and save for your dreams? A financial advisor or smart money manager can help now.

6 june

communicate

Communication is this month's theme. If you haven't expressed what's on your mind, do it now! Send off emails, return calls, write letters, reach out to old friends. It's a great month for writers, too. Your mind bubbles with ideas, so jot them down in

a notebook. This month rules siblings and friends, so make time to connect with yours. Short trips and your neighborhood are also featured. Organize a block party. Explore your favorite local haunts or discover new ones. Grab a pal for a bike ride or power-walk, and enjoy an inspiring talk.

7 july

family matters

Home and family are where it's at now. Cozy up your household—add fluffy towels, scented soaps, soft sheets and fresh flowers. Don't overdo on parties. Instead, opt for home-cooked meals, a good book and your favorite DVD. Your energy is low-key now, so book some private time. Spend quality time with your parents and cherished family members, or send them a thoughtful card. Female energy and femininity are strong now. Surround yourself with comforting, inspiring women. Get in touch with the powerful woman that you are!

8 august

romance & fun

Fun, fun, fun! Your energy turns light and playful now. The planets favor romance, and creativity this month. If you're single, this is your month to get out and flirt! If you're in a relationship, bring the magic back with lighthearted dates. Grab your sweetie and head to a fiesta. Dive into a creative project, and let your inner artist emerge. Children are highlighted. If you want to get pregnant, the stars are on your side. Spending time with young people can restore your own childlike wonder.

9 september get fit & organized

After an indulgent month, it's time to get organized. The planets morph you from party girl into the Queen of Clean. Sort out your calendar, projects and workspace. Attack the clutter and get your life back on track. This month's energy also sends you on a health kick. Hit the gym, walk around the neighborhood, buy a yoga or Pilates DVD. Pick up some fresh, organic groceries and prepare a healthy meal. Bring your eating and life back into balance.

10 october relationships get serious

Happy half-birthday! You're midway through your astrological year now, and the planets shift your focus to relationships and other people. Committed partnerships, both personal and professional, are highlighted. If you've longed to get serious with that special someone, now is a great time. If you and a close person have been having trouble understanding each other's perspectives, you may finally see the light. Contract signings go well. If you're getting married, this is the month to say "I do!"



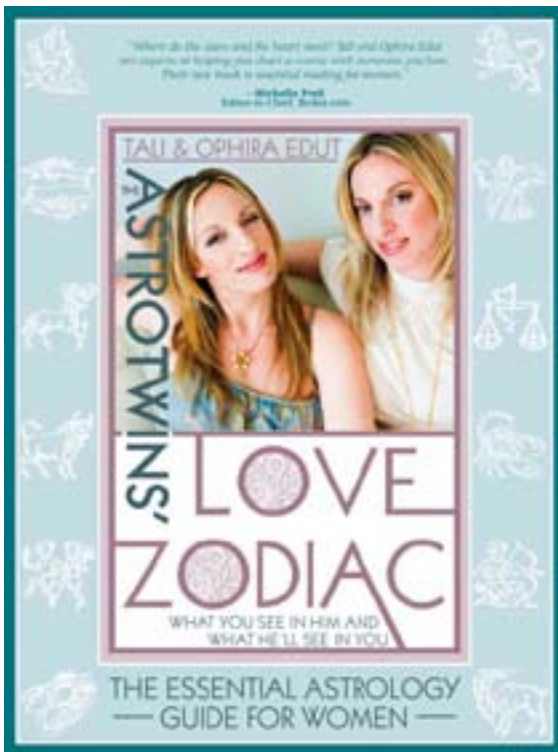
11 november it's in the details

How deep are your bonds with people? You'll find out this month, as the planets bring out your most intimate side. You feel passionate, driven, even mystical—your life could feel like a spicy novel! At times, you or someone around you may seem a bit secretive. Solve the mystery. The stars also focus on joint resources and large amounts of money. Real estate, income taxes, investments, inheritances, and credit cards are all highlighted. Pay off debts, write a living will, invest in property. Research everything thoroughly, as your mind is sharp. Pay attention to every detail!

12 december vacation & inspiration

After an intense month, you're ready for a vacation! The stars light up your sector of long-distance travel now, beckoning you to pack your bags and head for distant shores. Book a getaway outside city limits, even if it's just a long weekend. If you can't leave town, expand your horizons by attending an inspiring class, lecture or workshop. Higher education is featured now, so apply to schools or for scholarships. Step outside your comfort zone at every opportunity. Explore another culture. Avoid petty squabbles. Enjoy inspiring, soul-searching conversations.

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