



MONTHLY

FORECAST



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ARIES: March 20 – April 19

There comes a time in the life of every ram when work predominates. The ram has a boundless capacity for pleasure, but now is not the time to indulge those impulses. Put your nose to the grindstone and do your bloody job! If you don't, you'll feel the demons crowding around your head. Around the 13th is when those demons will be at their most virulent. If you need a kick in the pants, break out the pills and forge ahead. If you need to escape for a while, Venus and Jupiter in your fifth house guarantee that you'll be able to. You may even find the strength to go on through a new love interest. Key aphorism for this month: Discipline precedes dominion.

TAURUS: April 20 – May 19

You don't like to be jolted; bulls are essentially placid creatures; but you should prepare for some rodeo-sized jolts coming your way. The issue is friends, that wanton crew who your brought on board to love and care for you. The problem is, you may get the distinct impression that people are clinging to your indomitable strength, rather than serving any useful purpose in your life. If this is the case, now may be a good time to hole up in your "bull-pen" and make something beautiful, pottery, handicrafts, or even some of those good old-fashioned brownies you have such a way with. Towards the middle of the month should be your most centered time, ideal for throwing all the dead weight overboard.

GEMINI: May 20 – June 20

You want to be somewhere else, in a galaxy far, far away. This is a time of prescient fantasy for Gemini, a time when you receive Coleridge-like visions out of nowhere, Kubla Khans and Ancient Mariners. Write them all down; they will only seem unforgettable to you for a short duration of time and a snapshot your impressions will prove useful after they fade. These visions are a key to your subconscious (or, considering your Geminian orientation, your double-consciousness) and will broaden your intellectual, spiritual, and psychological range as a person. Early in the month may be fraught; you may take a bad trip, possibly chemical, possibly vehicular. A good way to ground yourself would be to bring an old friend with you on your trips and avoid steep, narrow staircases.

CANCER: June 21 – July 21

If you are in any way religious, be very careful; Mars riling up your ninth house will make you inclined to fanaticism. Cancer is an emotional sign, and when you identify with your ideals, it can get

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BUSTING YOUR CRYSTAL BALLS

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pretty scary. Can you stay calm for one minute? Good; now slowly, calmly, rationally communicate what you want to communicate. If you can keep control of yourself, now is the time to start a dialogue with friends, teachers, rabbis, whomever. You will learn the validity of your beliefs, though you may find them less air-tight than you had imagined. The most emphatic moments will come in the last week of the month; keep an oxygen-tank handy, and, perhaps, some tranquilizers.

LEO: July 22 – August 22

Trying to throw your arms around the world again? Give it up, big cat! If you love somebody (and you must, being a regal romantic), set them free. It is hard; Neptune in the seventh house assures that what seems real in the ones you love may be an illusion, or even an outright fabrication on their part. But, big-hearted lion that you are, Venus in conjunction with Jupiter will have you forgive, forget, and be on to other adventures. In fact, this August may be one of your finest moments, with three planets dancing in your already ebullient first house. You may find yourself drunk, happy, and satisfied with the world at last. As the month closes, a spiritual triumph will be yours.

VIRGO: August 23 – September 21

Suddenly, as Mercury moves into your first house, what can at times seem pleasantly loquacious may turn annoying. There are strong, silent Virgos (though not many), but even if you are one of those, be careful. The lighter side of this transit is that you may be incredibly funny, the life of the party and then some. Just rein yourself in when you have to. Things may be a little vague at work right now; or you may find yourself drifting aimlessly from job to job. Or between and around jobs. When Venus joins Mercury in your sign towards the end of the month, you may finally find the

hook-up you've been looking for, and be able to get down to the virgin's business: perfection!

LIBRA: September 22 – October 22

As Saturn moves through your house of profession, you may have to confront an issue that you like to skirt around (in typical Libran fashion)—the necessary balance between ambition (Libra is, after all, a cardinal sign) and satisfaction with the present moment (also essential for the Libran temperament). You want to relax, but the boss wants you to keep going. Or, you are the boss, and you push people around more than you'd like to admit. Either way, your real job is to follow Buddha along the Middle Path. The third way. The road less traveled. The happy medium. Straight down the middle. Wasting some serious time with glamorous new friends might give you the perspective you need right now. By September, you'll be recharged.

SCORPIO: October 23 – November 21

Well, whatever else is happening with you now, you certainly look good. Suddenly, members of the opposite sex stop to gape at you in the street. You feel like a magnet for new trouble, trouble of the most delicious sort. The problem is that all this attention is feeding your ego, not your soul. Yeah, your soul. What your soul needs is to concentrate on higher things. Remember that fancy book you never finished? Now is the time to fish it out and plough through it. Things you read now may have an unusual and stimulating effect on your psyche. You may find yourself making friends with all sorts of card-carrying intellectuals. If one of them is hot and gives you their number, don't hesitate—dial it.

SAGITTARIUS: November 22 – December 21

You are the most famously lucky person you know. You can step on banana peels without slipping, drive on water without hydroplaning, drink

ten Jack and Cokes and still feel fresh as a daisy. Oh, look out, archer. Crusty old Saturn is entering your eighth house, where even the happy planets get all muddy, slip on banana peels, hydroplane. Translation—someone may very well break your heart, sooner rather than later. Not even necessarily a lover—could be a trusted friend or a family member. Being an archer, you'll want to philosophize, but you may (for once) be stunned into silence. What to do next? Pack a rucksack and hit the road, Sag.

CAPRICORN: December 22 – January 19

You're about to find love that's like thunder, lightning—and you damn well better knock on wood and make yourself a belt out of rabbits' feet. You'll be the envy of everyone in your general circle—who wouldn't want Venus and Jupiter doing the Watusi on their birth chart? The best thing of all is that this new relationship will connect you with new faces, and new viewpoints. I hardly need to tell you to keep a close watch on your finances, you prudent little miser, you, but be careful what Mister or Miss Wonderful does to your purse-strings. Even if you wind up spending more than you might want to, it will be worth it.

AQUARIUS: January 20 – February 17

If you're now in the throes of a dedicated relationship, someone could start bickering about joint finances and not stop. Or someone could feel sexually neglected and not afraid to take the upper hand somehow. In either case, what you need to do is have a good, honest fight, to clear the air of all the accumulated tension. If you can get past this hurdle, Venus/Jupiter are waiting to bestow the treasure of real, balanced happiness upon you. All this drama is making it hard for you to work; or else, you've become a raging workaholic, and made work your only outlet. As with your relationship, what you need is to let accumulated tensions dissolve of their own accord.

PISCES: February 18 – March 19

Carping and criticism are not things that come naturally to the tranquil fish. Nor do they especially appreciate being criticized unduly. Unfortunately, the fish may be in for some serious dressing down. Are you used to getting away with lazy behavior? Your friends are not going to let you get away with it anymore. You will be forced to admit that you've been slacking on some level. Oddly enough, you may find that while on a personal level you are being taken to task, professionally you are flourishing. Right around the 14th these conflicting elements will come to a head and you will be left in your trusty old pond, trying to make sense of it all.