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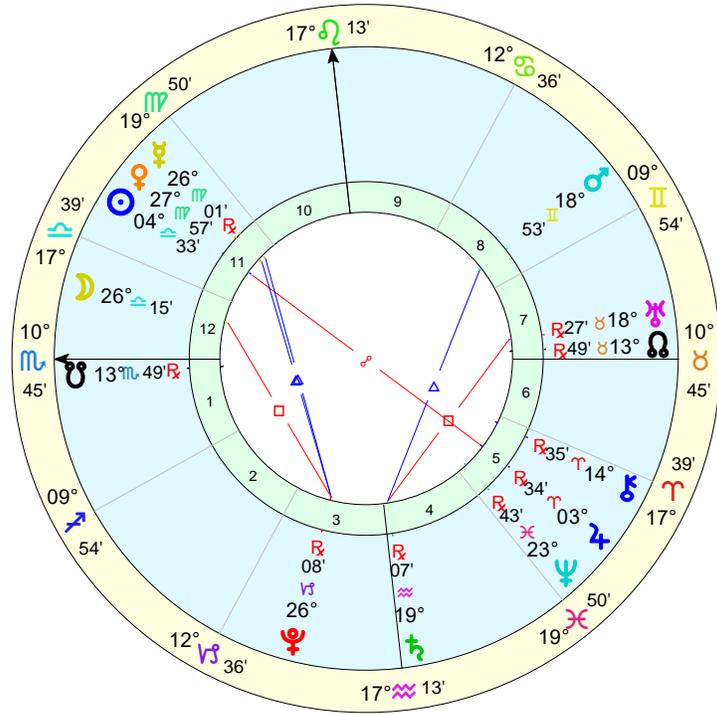
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Introduction



" I've never seen a moon in the sky that, if it didn't take my breath away, at least misplaced it for a moment.
-- Colin Farrell, Irish Actor

The Moon has been long known for its effect on planet Earth. Together with the gravitational pull of the Earth and the Sun it is known to influence the ebb and flow of oceans. The Earth's large moon makes it unique in the inner Solar System. Mercury and Venus have no moons, and Mars has only two small asteroid-sized objects orbiting it. Without the Moon, planet Earth would be much darker at night and the wonder of Eclipses would not exist.

The physical attributes of the Moon are known. Astrologers also associate the cycles of the Moon with human affairs, in particular, the emotions of individuals. This report delves into the effect of the Moon on your life as it cycles through your Horoscope. Every month, the Moon returns to the exact position it held in your Birth Chart at your time of birth. If you calculate this Return for the location of your current residence then you have what astrologers call a Lunar Return.

This Lunar Return can tell you the ebb and flow of your life in the following month. It is not a major influence but it can add colour and clarity to patterns, circumstances and events. Your physical and emotional reserves are described and this in turn helps you plan how to cope with everyday life during the course of the month.

This report is not a comprehensive tome outlining every detail of your Lunar Return chart. Rather it is intended to give you the broad brush influences of the Moon's cycles on your life.

When using these Lunar Return interpretations, please bear in mind that, inevitably, every chart will contain some contradictory influences. As a result, certain interpretations of different items in the same chart may seem difficult to reconcile. However, this may still be an accurate reflection of your Chart, as it is likely that you do experience conflicting desires, events and circumstances in your life. Usually, an astrologer will synthesise these apparent contradictions in order to present a cohesive and meaningful

interpretation of any anomalies in your Horoscope.

YOUR TEMPERAMENT



“The moon puts on an elegant show, different every time in shape, colour and nuance.”
-- Arthur Smith, English Comedian

The Moon

The Moon is the most important influence in your Lunar Return chart. Each month the Moon returns to the exact position that it had when you were born but other factors change. Therefore, the Lunar Return chart tells a story for a month. The Moon is said to be a strong influence on your emotions and mood. Its placement in your Lunar Return Chart reveals much about how you are affected during the phase of its influence. The Moon in its House shows the area of life that is pre-occupying you most during the month, where you are likely to be seeking emotional satisfaction. The other Planets also influence how easily you are likely to achieve that emotional satisfaction.

The Moon is in Libra

The Moon is the most important influence in your Lunar Return Chart because it is the point on which the chart revolves. Your Lunar Return Moon Sign is always the same as the Sign in your Birth Chart. Nevertheless, it is important to recognise your own Moon Sign tendencies as the basis of this report. How you react and respond is through your own Moon Sign. With the Moon in the sign of Libra you love and appreciate beauty, and would prefer to share this appreciation with your loved ones. Not for you sitting alone on a hillside watching the hues of the sunset. You want your loved one close by your side. This enjoyment of others people’s company plays a major role in your life, and you may have some difficulty spending time on your own. However, you’ll find that you have a good understanding of relationships and what makes them work, and what makes them fail. You also have an innate ability to please others, to create harmony, and to enjoy social occasions. You may find that you enjoy organising social functions. You’re a people-watcher; enjoying noticing what makes them tick. You need to remember though that spending time by yourself and doing things for yourself is important. For you’re likely to have creative talents which need developing. This could range from literally artistic talents, to the ability to create beautiful surroundings such as interior decorating or flower arranging. When you read the rest of this report you need to take note of your basic need for harmony. If you are going through a particularly emotional month then this need

is to the fore.

The Moon is in the 12th House

Emotions are likely to be deep during this month. In some ways you may feel that you are on a roller coaster ride with highs and lows and unexpected twists and turns in your emotional life. This can be a positive month if you have embarked on a new venture in your life; however, you are also likely to discover deep-seated emotions, either your own or other peoples. Emotional drama could be the name of the game. Emotions are difficult to control. For this reason you may be well-advised to think before you speak, and count to ten before you react. Immersing your body in water – a lake, river, swimming pool, or the ocean could be very soothing. You may also benefit from some counselling to help you understand the feelings that are arising right now. Your challenge is to make the most of the psychological lessons gaining understanding of the undercurrents of situations. You may benefit from a retreat, meditation, prayer and other activities that can heal and give you insights. Of course it is also possible that positive emotions are the flavour this month. If you have taken off into the wide blue yonder on a lone journey then you may be thoroughly enjoying yourself, challenging your emotional boundaries and discovering hidden depths. You may also be taking a well-earned break from everyday life and indulging yourself in solitude which satiates your psyche. You are well advised to avoid other people's emotional dramas where possible. You need to take care of your own feelings and create boundaries where possible. Whatever your personal circumstances this is a time of psychological discovery.

The Moon is Square Pluto

Birth and renewal are themes in your domestic life. This could literally depict a pregnancy and birth of a baby, or it could more metaphorically indicate emotional renewal. Either way you are likely to experience some deep feelings this month, perhaps triggered by an event or a person. It is time for you to trust your own emotions. Your moods can be indicators of positive times or warnings of negative influences. You need to have confidence in your feelings of trust and distrust for anyone who plays a prominent role in your personal matters. If your emotional antennae tell you that someone is trying to manipulate or control you then you need to deal with this situation as soon as possible, even if it means walking away. Of course you feel sad as a phase of your life ends, or as you say goodbye to a special person, yet these can also be sacred times, where you learn to have faith in yourself. You are able to recognise your emotional strength as well as form strong bonds with those closest to you. Gradually you realise the privilege of shared emotional experiences and being intimately linked with another human being, whether this is through the process of birth, death, or perhaps marriage. The emotional bonds formed this month can be strong.

YOUR EMOTIONAL SATISFACTION



"Aim for the moon. If you miss, you may hit a star."
-- W Clement Stone, Author, Philanthropist, Businessman

The Ascendant

The Ascendant or Rising Sign may not be as important as the Moon in a Lunar Return chart; however, it is a strong influence. Your Ascendant tells you how you are likely to try to achieve the emotional satisfaction that you require this month. Planets that influence the Ascendant are also of importance. The Moon remains the key factor in your Lunar Return Chart and your Ascendant provides the framework through which you can assimilate, understand and seek to express your emotional needs.

The Ascendant is in Scorpio

Scorpio is a Water Sign and therefore, very receptive to any influences of the Moon. When Scorpio rises in your Lunar Chart you can be sure that your emotions are strong. This is likely to be an intense month during which you learn much about your own feelings. Events and other people may trigger strong emotions, or your own emotions may be surfacing for you to gain greater understanding of your own psyche. Hurt feelings from the past may surface so that you can acknowledge and heal in order to move forward in your life. Some might say that this month is one of rebirth, but this depends on other astrological influences. You may immerse yourself in a writing, research or intense project. You could also direct your feelings into a positive outlet. Dance, poetry, painting, acting and other artistic avenues could be conduits to help you gain awareness. You may also be attracted to psychology or seek guidance yourself this month. Another possibility is that you seek a physical activity or sport for any pent-up feelings. The important thing is that you learn more about yourself, your interactions with others and free your emotions. Suppressing your feelings right now is not the best option. It is time to listen to your intuition and trust your instincts. You may like to remind yourself that you have little control over other people's feelings this month. As events change and hidden feelings begin to surface you may feel that you are embroiled in other people's power struggles. You need to take a step away as you are vulnerable. Your insight into human nature is heightened and you can put this to good use with

integrity. This can be a cleansing time when you are able to be influential in a positive manner. Your powers of recuperation are also prominent this month, indicating that you can rise to any physical challenge.

YOUR TURNING POINT



"Turning Point: A time at which a decisive change in a situation occurs, especially one with beneficial results"
-- Oxford Dictionary

Angular Planets

Astrologers note not only the Planets in a Horoscope but also the Angles and Houses. The Angles of a Chart are calculated and then the Planet or Planets influencing your Ascending and Descending Signs, and the Midheaven (MC) and Imum Coeli (IC) of your Horoscope become important. Planets which are close to these Angles are given extra significance. They are called Angular Planets. When a Planet is Angular in your Lunar Return Chart then this is of consequence. The nature of the Angular Planet sets the tone of your month. Sometimes these Planets indicate current events and emotional challenges or promises. The Moon still remains the most important theme of your month, but these Angular Planets give you extra information about what is likely to surface during this time. The Planets on the Angles of your Lunar Return Chart also indicate the months in which other astrological influences are triggered. Therefore, you may note the months during which you are experiencing the effects of an Angular Planet and those in which you are not. If there is no Angular Planet listed in this section then you can pay more attention to the themes and subtle influences. If there are Angular Planets then you are likely to experience an important event, hear some news of consequence or interact with a significant person. You may also experience months when you have more than one Planet affecting your Angles. These are likely to be key months of the year.

Saturn is Opposite The Midheaven

The Planet Saturn is known as the taskmaster of the Zodiac. This is because Saturn is the Planet that is associated with discipline, work and achievement. If you are learning a new subject then you are likely to enjoy this process, opening up new worlds of thought and wisdom. If you have to sit an examination to test your newfound knowledge then it is the Planet Saturn that is associated with the preparation, application and deadlines of exams. Saturn is serious business. The foundations of your life require attention now. This includes home and family. Your private life is likely to demand a responsible and serious attitude. Your emotional satisfaction comes via your ties to home. You feel a protective urge towards your family and loved ones. In some cases this combination can

depict renovating or building a home, literally laying foundations. However, it can also indicate a month during which you are happier at home. Family members may ask more of you now, particularly if you are a father or from those connected with your father or father's family. Your emotional rewards come from recognizing your private needs and organizing a safe haven for yourself and your loved ones. Comfort, security, and solidarity are your catchphrases this month.

YOUR VITALITY



" There is a vitality, a life force, an energy, a quickening, that is translated through you into action, and because there is only one of you in all time, this expression is unique."
-- Martha Graham US modern dancer and choreographer

The Sun

The Sun is an important component of your Lunar Return report as, like the Moon, it is called a "luminary" rather than a planet. As such it illuminates personal matters which are close to your heart. The Sun shines its light on what you are likely to desire during the month. The Moon shows how your moods are affected by other people and by events. Therefore, the Moon also portends your emotional and physical health. However, the Sun depicts what you actively seek or desire this month. You may override your feelings and push for your own objectives, or you may go with the flow and pursue your personal goals. Either way the Sun illuminates what you actively seek during the month. Also importantly the Sun highlights your physical vitality during the month. It shows whether or not you are able to invest a lot of energy into your desires or if you should sit back and wait as your energy levels are low. Timing in astrology, and life, is everything. Your Sun Sign and placement in your Lunar Return chart can help you determine the best times to seek your desires. If you look at a sequence of your Lunar Return charts then you may see the rise and fall of your energy patterns. This will help you utilise the months of lower energy for planning and the months of high energy for action.

The Sun is in the 11th House

Your Sun is placed in what astrologers call a "Succedent House" in your Lunar Return Chart. This means that you have a reasonable amount of energy to fulfil your desires as long as you maintain a good balance. While your Moon is showing your emotions and the undercurrents of this month your Sun in the 11th House is indicating that your friends are likely to be the people you turn to in order to decipher your feelings. If you are feeling happy then you are likely to desire the company of others. Therefore, happy gatherings – small and large – are likely to feature this month. You enjoy having a distraction or an outlet for your cheerful demeanour. You may also join an interest group or club, or attend a place where many gather for a common cause. If you are going through a more introspective period then you may enjoy the company of just one or two friends in a more intimate environment. You may have just one close friend visit and stay in your own home. You are interested in the events and circumstances of your friends this month. You may need these as a distraction for your own troubled emotions, or you may enjoy

hearing other people's stories. Your friends are likely to reflect your own fears and tears as well as share in your own triumphs. Even if you usually prefer your own company you are likely to seek the companionship of others this month. Camaraderie is the theme of this Lunar Return. Friends may come and go this month too, as you reassess what you need from others. Your own hopes, dreams and wishes are on your mind. Therefore, you may let go of friends who do not support you and embrace those who do. You are also likely to be pondering whether or not you are a good friend. As poet Ralph Waldo Emerson once said: *"The only way to have a friend is to be one."* You are likely to benefit from group activities that boost your energy levels including physical activities such as team sports, group meditations, yoga and any class connected to well-being.

The Sun is in Libra

The Zodiac Sign of your Sun is not a major influence in your Lunar Return Chart. However, it is worth noting its general influence on you and those around you. When the Sun is in the Sign of Libra it is considered by astrologers to be in its "fall". This means that it is not strong and therefore you need to recognise that your energy is likely to be less strong this month. You may need to rely on help from others now instead of forging ahead in your own right. You may be tempted to look after other people rather than yourself. It is a good month to socialize and enjoy peaceful times with loved ones; however, you are likely to feel tired if you are surrounded by conflict. You need to find tranquillity in your everyday life. Peace, harmony and beauty are your best friends right now. A quiet pastime such as craft, knitting, writing, reading or drawing may be beneficial. Meditation and creative visualisation are also likely to be soothing.

The Sun is Opposite Jupiter

The beneficial planet Jupiter is shining its powerful rays on you indicating that you can enjoy a month of growth and success. Good fortune is with you. At the moment you are able to see your own life in terms of the big picture, as if you were observing a fortunate character in a paperback novel, an epic film or a theatrical production. You are able to be the leading man or lady in your own life story, and to enjoy the journey. You are likely to feel like a super hero, able to "leap tall buildings in a single bound". You are optimistic, gladly trying out new activities and ventures. Others notice your natural enthusiasm and willingly lend a helping hand. In fact, you may receive rewards from people in high places. This is one of those months when doors open almost as soon as you state your request. It is almost as if you have your own personal genie in a lamp, granting your wishes. This month you are more able to take a positive outlet on life and as a result you are popular, happy-go-lucky, free to explore new options and able to take great strides towards your goals. You need only beware of becoming greedy. A thirst for adventure is one thing, arrogance is quite another. An attitude of gratitude goes a long way to helping you on your journey. If your ego is starting to become over-inflated think of this quote from the famous Walt Whitman, *"henceforth I ask not good fortune. I myself am good fortune."* In other words start to spread good fortune for others, rather than seek it for yourself. This is also your month to become a benefactor, teacher or mentor.

COMMUNICATING YOUR NEEDS



“Words are singularly the most powerful force available to humanity. We can choose to use this force constructively with words of encouragement, or destructively using words of despair. Words have energy and power with the ability to help, to heal, to hinder, to hurt, to harm, to humiliate and to humble.”

-- Yehuda Berg, Rabbi and Author

Mercury

Mercury is the planet of communications. This merry planet is always full of contradictions, toing and froing between dual options. Therefore, Mercury in a Lunar Return Chart represents how well you express your feelings and how easily you are distracted from achieving health and well-being. Self-awareness is the key to success in many aspects of life. Mercury here tells you how you can become more self-aware and what types of activities may stimulate good health.

Mercury is in the 11th House

Your connections with other people are emphasised this month. This could be because you enjoy being part of a group or team. Perhaps your work situation alters, requiring you to now become a member of a team, changing your role in the group or thrusting you into a group leadership role. However, it may be that a situation in your life is prompting you to seek the counsel of friends. You may be reassessing your own hopes, dreams and wishes in the light of your emotional needs. You may be in two minds about a matter that is close to your heart. You seek advice from others but be wary of relying too heavily on other people’s opinion. Experts can be helpful but friends may be biased. While your connections to your friends, colleagues and loved ones are important it is also a good month during which to listen to your own intuition. As singer Sting says in one of his songs *“Let your soul guide you upon your way...”*

Mercury is Conjunct Venus

This combination is not a significant influence in your Lunar Return Chart but it does indicate that you take pleasure in communicating your needs. You are able to be pleasant, creative, cooperative and perhaps even artistic in the manner in which you connect with others. Pleasant thoughts propel you in the right direction. You can enjoy short trips to pleasurable locations. Connections with women may also boost your spirits. If you are in a creative field then this can be a time during which you easily express your thoughts and feelings through your craft.

Mercury is Trine Pluto

This combination is not a significant influence in your Lunar Return Chart but it does indicate that you have a strong need to communicate your thoughts and feelings. If something is troubling you then you are in a powerful position to think things through, get to the core of the problem and then move forward. Truth is likely to be your goal. A truth may be revealed or you may discover some things about your own feelings that take you by surprise. Either way you need to find a positive outlet through which to express your insights.

YOUR DRIVE AND DETERMINATION



"The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand."
-- Vince Lombardi, US Coach

Mars

Saturn

The planets Mars and Saturn highlight your drive and determination in any given month. The fiery Mars shows which areas are likely to demand your attention and whether or not you have the energy to deal with these demands. The serious planet Saturn depicts the degree to which you are likely to apply yourself to any given task. Together, they represent challenges as well as your ability to rise to these challenges. Planets in a Lunar Return chart are not as important as the Moon and Sun unless they connect with an Angle (as explained in a previous section). Nevertheless, it is worth looking at the influence as another piece of information about your month.

Mars is in the 8th House

As many astrologers rightly proclaim Mars is the planet connected with energy. Energy has a negative and a positive force. When you focus energy positively then through decisive action you can achieve results. However, if you are rash then this can result in accidents, conflict and misguided behaviour. Mars is also the planet that is connected with fast vehicles, sporting arenas and sharp instruments. Hence the need to utilise these things carefully rather than recklessly. When Mars charges into the 8th House of your Lunar Return chart then you are keen to invest your time and energy into long-term projects. You seek rewards for your efforts, not necessarily instant rewards but it is certainly your month to capitalise on current assets and devote your time and money on pursuits that are profitable. As a result you may discard anything or anyone who has been holding you back. You are keen to empower yourself and those around you. Many areas of your life may come under the microscope now as you eagerly rearrange them. Your time, energy and finances are the focus right now. You have the drive to move ahead and remove obstacles. Your passions are aroused. If you are associated with a business enterprise then you may seek advice or act independently to make cutbacks

and/or invest in future enterprises. If you are married then your joint finances may also demand your attention this month. This is your opportunity to discover and pursue your desires.

Mars is Trine Saturn

The time has come to slow down and be diligent. This combination applies not only to you but also likely to many of the people around you. You are likely to be frustrated and tired if you rush into anything right now. The idea is to think about long-term benefits rather than short-term gratification. Therefore, this is the ideal month during which to plant the seeds for lasting projects, businesses or physical activities. Endurance is the key.

Saturn is in the 4th House

The planet Saturn is known as the taskmaster of the Zodiac. Sometimes it is thought to be a hard taskmaster. At other times it is known that this planet's influence is essential in achieving any set task. As such Saturn steadily helps you attract the tools that you need to achieve your objectives. The choice about whether or not you pick up your tools is yours; however, you also then live with the consequences. These can be either opportunities lost or satisfaction guaranteed. This month Saturn's serious focus is on your private life indicating that you have some personal matters to put under the microscope. Family and your home are the foundations of your life and these need shoring up this month. In some way you are being called on to determine what is important to you in connection with your living quarters and your family. Whether you live on your own or in a household this is where your responsibilities lie this month. In some cases this placement can indicate that you are cut off from your usual home comforts, perhaps through travel, home renovations, moving home or work. In others it can indicate that you feel the need to withdraw a little to consider some important matter. This is your time to place the building blocks that help support your physical and emotional well-being in the future.

YOUR SOCIAL NEEDS



"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away."

-- Maya Angelou US author, dancer, actress and singer

Venus

Jupiter

The Lunar Return Chart tells more about energy levels and urges to direct energy than it does about events that occur. The more joy that can be experienced then the better your energy levels is likely to be. Joy equals vitality. Two of the most positive planets – Venus and Jupiter – describe the areas that come alive this month and offer the most pleasure. Although the Moon, the Sun and Planets on the Ascendant are key to this report, it is also useful to look at the placements of Venus and Jupiter so that you can determine where to find gratification.

Venus is in the 11th House

The planet Venus is all about attraction. What attracts you, what makes you attractive to others and how can you attract what you need? Therefore, Venus tells you about your relationship with love, money, pleasure, joy and feeling worthwhile. In a Lunar Return Chart this planet of love tells you what you are likely to attract throughout the month, what gives you pleasure right now. It depicts whether or not personal relationships are likely to be prominent, what kind of personal relationships and whether or not you are likely to be focussed on money and pleasure. Friendships are the key to your enjoyment this month. These can be long-term friends who boost your social life, or work colleagues, or associates in a group or club. Your social calendar is filling fast and you benefit from being more outgoing. If you have recently become involved in an intimate relationship, or have recently separated, then your social circle has changed. It is possible that you form an intimate relationship with one of your friends; However, it is more likely that you play the field this month, enjoying fun-filled activities and a lighter side of life. This is the ideal period during which to create a vision board of your hopes, dreams and wishes and then watch over the coming months to see what comes alive. Be creative and enjoy your community.

Venus is Trine Pluto

Social contacts can be a little more volatile than usual. This can be a positive influence if you are interested in politics, psychology, social work, youth work or other such challenging activities in society. However, you need to avoid unnecessary conflict with your loved ones. You can tackle the sticky issues but only if you are able to resolve conflict rather than inflame situations. Others may also be feeling touchy with this combination in their own Lunar Return Charts. Therefore, you can benefit from joint projects that help transform situations, but not ones whereby you are needlessly confrontational. This is your month to detect problems, perhaps write about them in a journal and make a mental note to deal with them later.

Jupiter is in the 5th House

In traditional astrology Jupiter is the planet of Kings. This planet brings rewards wherever it is placed in a chart. Of course, Kings can be benevolent and magnificent, or they can be maleficent. Therefore, there is an element of choice in association with Jupiter. In your Lunar Return Chart this planet of largess depicts where you are likely to attract rewards and recognition. Good fortune can be yours if you act with humility and wisdom. Growth is possible wherever Jupiter reigns. Lady luck is on your side when it comes to any activity that involves romance, children and creativity. Basically, this is your month to have fun, and have some big-time fun! You may find it difficult to live with constraints right now. You are only limited by your own imagination this month. Therefore, you can explore any safe option that is fun, inspirational and exhilarating. It is time to overcome any fears, particularly the fear of rejection, and explore your natural gifts, no matter what these are. You can be carefree and gain much joy through creativity and the company of children, who teach you to be spontaneous.

Conclusion



You will have noticed that there are many influences in your Lunar Return Chart, some conflicting with others. It is important to remember that this is a Lunar report and therefore anything associated with the Moon needs to be given precedence. The main themes will be repeated throughout this report, but an understanding of the Moon is crucial.

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