



THE COMPLETE BOOK OF SCORPIO



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

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DEAR SCORPIO,

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 SCORPIO

Sure, you're intense, Scorpio, but few can resist your allure and charm.



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SCORPIO

Dates: October 23–November 21

Symbol: The Scorpion

Color: Black

Ruling Planet: Pluto, the planet of power

Good Day: Magnetic, powerful, intense

Bad Day: Cruel, secretive

Intense, profound and mysterious, Scorpio is the zodiac's most misunderstood sign. You're so powerful that people feel your presence even before you've said a word! Deeply sensitive, Scorpio quickly picks up vibes. You see every little detail, and can read people like an open book. If you're not actually psychic, you have incredible intuition. Once your friends get used to your high-intensity style, they know that you're fiercely loyal. Anyone who betrays you or your loved ones had better watch out! Like a Scorpion, you'll deliver a painful sting of revenge. Learning to let go of grudges and forgive is a lifelong challenge.

Since your sign is naturally secretive, work on being more open with people. This develops trust and improves your relationships. Because you're uncomfortable exposing your true feelings, many Scorpios are loners or withdrawn, while remaining vigilantly watchful. Don't let fear prevent you from forming genuine bonds. Open up slowly but surely, and you'll build a trustworthy, intimate network. Scorpio's concentration powers are amazing, but be careful not to get obsessed. Curb any jealous or possessive feelings by pouring your energy into a project or passion.

CELEBRITY STARMATES

Anne Hathaway

Julia Roberts

Katy Perry

Grace Kelly

Demi Moore

Toni Collette

Chloe Sevigny

Eve

Miranda Lambert

Rebecca Romijn–Stamos

Bjork

Kris Jenner

Maggie Gyllenhaal

Jodie Foster

Meg Ryan

Hillary Clinton

Roseanne

k.d. Lang

Goldie Hawn

Madame Curie

The background features a repeating floral pattern. The design includes large, multi-petaled flowers in shades of brown and tan, interspersed with smaller, simpler flowers and clusters of buds. Green leaves and stems are also part of the pattern, creating a dense, textured look. The overall color palette is muted and earthy.

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THE SCORPIO LOOK

Dress to express the best traits of your sign.

For enigmatic Scorpio, your clothes are part of your charm and mystique. As someone who is deeply affected by unspoken cues, the colors you choose can make or break your mood. You've been known to race home and swap outfits midday for this very reason. Black is your signature hue (you may even dye your hair raven), and you smolder in charcoal, burn bright in red and work the pink and fuschia like a punk rock Barbie gone bad wild.



You rule the darkness, and require plenty of eveningwear. Little black dresses and strap-py tops that can go from day into night are a must. Pair with a white blazer and vintage pumps for work, then, slip on the stilettos and a leather jacket and head to da club at sundown.

There's a grunge girl in many Scorpios, and your style may be sexy, even a little vampy. Get fitted for a cleavage-boosting bra, and consider the possibility of at least one tattoo and a few extra piercings. You look great in a vintage band T-shirt paired with low-rise jeans or a plaid schoolgirl mini. Fishnets, combat boots, and spiky-heeled knee-high boots just work on you...and so does the oc-

casional Harajuku girl touch like striped stockings or a tutu.

Bohemian styles also go a long way—butterfly sleeves, tunic tops over black leggings, sheer fabrics or a sexy wrap dress all flatter you. You can also wear upscale, sophisticated styles ailored with a sexier cut. As a water sign, you can go nautical too. Think: preppy Parisian boat shirts and white jeans, but with an edgy neckline.

The eyes are the windows to your soul and you'll stir up a sensation with smoky shadow, winged liner, and vintage cat-eye glasses. On days that you want to lurk in the shadows, your essential staple is chic, designer sunglasses you probably spent an entire paycheck on.

YOUR STYLE PROFILE

Colors: Black, red, hot pink

Focus areas: Eyes, hips

Fabrics: Leather, black lace

Best Looks: Sunglasses, leather jacket, black tank top, push-up bra, fishnets, tunic tops, wrap dresses, combat boots, low-rise jeans

Stay Away From: Pastel colors, loose and baggy clothes, sportswear, "classic cuts,"

HOME DECOR

Only the chosen few may enter Scorpio's sensual sanctuary.



A private sign, Scorpio can be a homebody who likes to lock the doors, pull down the blinds and chill at home. Unlike other signs, you don't mind being alone. In fact, you savor it. Your house is a soothing pod, a retreat from the outside world where you often feel vulnerable and out of control. You love to read, write in your journal or experiment in the kitchen. Scorpios need a sanctuary where you can unwind mentally and physically.

Your décor should communicate power. You may do this with precise lines, meticulous attention to detail, or intense colors that scream creativity. You easily get obsessed with the details. Every doorknob, drawer pull and throw pillow matters. We have a Scorpio friend who decorated an entire room in white, using twenty different textures and hues. As a water sign, you're highly intuitive, and you'll know exactly where to place furniture or artwork. You're very tuned into your body as well, so invest in a posture-pedic mattress, natural fibers or a sofa with good back support.

For a Scorpio, sensuality is key. Seek high-quality furniture, a perfect paint job and simple but striking textures. You'll scour antique malls for that perfect, one-of-a-kind treasure—and haggle until you get a great price. Although you may choose neutral or muted hues, vivid colors like red are life-affirming for Scorpio. Red emanates vitality, confidence, vigor and erotic passion, and can create a needed feeling of intimacy. If possible, incorporate it into your home, even if it's only an accent color.

A deeply sensitive, mysterious sign, you crave privacy. Your best bet is to create intimate areas as well as communal ones. Play up the little nooks and hidden spots that give your house character. A small window seat can be the perfect conversation or reading alcove. If your home lacks architectural character, conjure sensuality with candles, uplights that form dramatic shadows, and fabrics like silk throw pillows or velvet curtains. Your bedroom should be a gorgeous haven for rest and healing. Keep furnishing minimal to calm your turbulent mind, and create drama with a silk comforter or sheer curtains around the bed.

As a water sign, many Scorpios tend to live near water, which helps soothe your intense moods. If you don't, bring its "flowy" feel into your home with an aquarium or a Zen fountain. Since you get depressed easily and tend to isolate yourself, keep signs of life throughout your home. Bowls of fresh fruit, lots of plants and even pets do wonders for your perspective. Scorpio is the sign associated with death and regeneration. You may decorate with spiritual symbols or anything representing the soul's power to triumph over everyday obstacles.



FITNESS & HEALTH

You drive yourself hard, Scorpio, but don't overdo it with exercise.

Body Part

Reproductive organs, pelvis

Health & Fitness Style

Scorpios either love or hate to exercise, but you're highly concerned with keeping your edge. You'll do what it takes to stay fit, and once your energy gets flowing, you won't want to stop. When you get into anything, you go all the way. You're a private sign, so you may prefer to work out at home, at a small fitness studio or with a private instructor, and you could buy home exercise equipment. Scorpio is attracted to intensity and risk, so an extreme sport may appeal to the more athletic among your sign. Or, you'll go for an activity like yoga that demands attention to detail and mastery.

Food & Eating Habits

Scorpios tend to be excessive—you can obsess about food and go to extremes, either forgetting to eat, controlling your portions too rigidly or overeating. You're a stress eater, especially when driving yourself toward a goal. Try to step back from all the multitasking and make yourself a home-cooked meal. Cooking will channel your energy into something proactive and positive. It will also give your deeply intuitive mind a chance to work things through—which can happen only when you stop analyzing a situation and just let it be.



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Keeping That Glow

Don't overdo it. You're a hard-driving, hard-working person. But even powerhouses need rest. Make sure you take downtime at home, but don't isolate yourself. Scorpios create such a cozy environment that before you know it, hours have slipped away and you haven't left the house. Get out and walk, preferably near water. Relax with a class that balances you, get a pedicure or try regular meditation. Monitor your obsessive tendencies and aim for balance. You don't have to figure everything out today. Pace yourself and learn to be satisfied with the progress you've already made.



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SCORPIO IN LOVE

When you find The One you would do anything for love. Yes, even that.

Scorpio rules the zodiac's eighth house of intense bonding. In love, you play for keeps. There's no middle ground for extreme Scorpio—you're either in or you're out. Your sign has quite a reputation. You're known as the "sex" sign, jealous, controlling, irresistible, obsessive...whew!

It's true, your passionate sign can be intense. One minute, you're aloof and mysterious, driving partners crazy as they vie for your ever-shifting attention. The next minute, you're in a committed long-term relationship. You are the sign that rules extremes and you can run hotter and colder than most. One minute you're totally infatuated, the next you're turned off. You must ride these emotional waves before deciding on a mate.

Suspicious Scorpios don't trust easily, and will fight intimacy every step of the way. Love is both tempting and frightening to you. Deep down, you long to give yourself fully to that perfect soulmate. You're both threatened and intrigued by a dynamic, powerful partner. Still, you've got no interest in pushovers. As the zodiac's most passionate sign, you need someone who can hold his ground and keep you guessing.

In relationships, you don't just commit, you FUSE with the other person. For that reason, you're reluctant to dive in, because you know you'll "lose yourself" once you do. Although this concept gets a bad rap, it's actually an essential part of intimacy (which Scorpio rules). When—and if—you surrender to love, you and your mate become one. Beautiful!

To get there, you must work through your control issues. Scorpio rules transformation, and a great therapist or coach can be essential for you. You also benefit from yoga, meditation, spirituality, or any practice that strengthens you internally and calms your irrational fears.



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For Scorpio, relationships are like the stock market. You want to make sure the long-term payoff is worth the effort. At times, this attitude can make you your own worst enemy. Like an undercover cop, you'll seduce prospective mates into revealing their most intimate thoughts. Pretending to be fascinated, you catalog every detail, building a case for or against this person. You may conduct a private investigation, too, snooping in diaries, checking pockets, or Googling for incriminating evidence.

Too much of this FBI approach could take its toll, though. True love requires risk and vulnerability—it's not always safe. If you pry without revealing your own hand, partners may bolt. But they should also be careful what they wish for. Once the Scorpio floodgates open, you can overwhelm partners with your intense energy and the need to lose yourself in a mystical, highly charged union.

Ultimately, Scorpio is a private sign. Paparazzi, step off! Once you settle on a mate, you like to build a quiet world for two, designed according to your master plan. Obviously, those secret Scorpio worlds must be enticing, as very few partners ever leave you!



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MEET YOUR MATCH

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A cosmic challenge



Pretty divine



Takes work to harmonize



The stars are aligned

You + Aries



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 blazes 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 + Taurus



The Good. You two opposite signs are drawn to each other like magnets. Earthy Taurus calms those stormy Scorpio emotions, while Scorpio brings the passion that Taurus desires. You're both long-term commitment types and can create a beautiful home and family together. Taurus' communication style is honest and pure, which allows suspicious Scorpio to relax and trust. Scorpio knows how to stir up the intrigue, which can pull practical Taurus out of a dull rut.

The Bad. Jealousy alert! No two signs are more possessive than Taurus and Scorpio, and you both suffer from abandonment issues. It's great to make each other feel secure, but the rules could get too rigid for either of you. There's also a tendency to control one another in this match-up. Give each other some room to breathe, and explore your independent interests; otherwise, one of you may make a sudden jailbreak.

You + Gemini



The Good. The chemistry is off the charts here, even though you're very different people. Scorpio's mystique fascinates inquisitive Gemini, while Gemini's open book policy calms Scorpio's suspicious nature. Both signs love to unravel a mystery and will go to the depths of any topic or experience together. Scorpio can bring out Gemini's family-oriented nature, while Gemini helps the Scorpion become more social.

The Bad. Scorpio's intensity is emotional, while Gemini's is mental. Mind and power games are likely to erupt—and you can both get vicious. The Scorpio jealous streak is easily sparked by Gemini's many personality changes and constant need to flirt with strangers. Gemini may feel suffocated by Scorpio's possessiveness.

You + Cancer



The Good. A match made in heaven! You two water signs instinctively understand each other. The click will be instant, both physically and intuitively. You both want to settle down with a dependable soulmate, creating a bubble world to escape to. Neither one of you trusts easily, but with each other, you feel a sense of safety and security. You're both foodies and art lovers, and sharing cultural experience will be a hallmark of your union.

The Bad. Few signs are as possessive and jealous as Cancer and Scorpio. If the cloak and dagger vibes creep in, you could get caught up in vicious game playing. Scorpio knows how to push Cancer's buttons, while Cancer can shut down and rankle Scorpio's abandonment issues. Your "just the two of us" vibe could get suffocating after a while. Don't lose touch with the rest of the world, no matter how cozy your connection may be!

You + Leo



The Good. You're the ultimate power couple with Leo bringing the warm inviting energy and Scorpio the cool mystique. Leo is the on-stage talent, Scorpio the behind-the-scenes producer, and you can create magic together. Both of you live for your achievements—the trophy shelf could get crowded between the two of you. Loyalty is a quality you both hold dear, and you'll waste no time proving your dedication to each other.

The Bad. Showy Leo wants open expressions of love; Scorpio wants to keep it on the downlow. Leo is prone to TMI bursts, blurting out private information that chills Scorpio's secretive heart. Scorpio prefers to observe people from a shadowy corner; Leo wants to be followed around by a reality TV camera crew. Leo finds Scorpio's CSI games tiresome and the clash between your public and private personas could be the deal-breaker.

You + Virgo



The Good. Both Virgo and Scorpio love to unravel a mystery, and you may become each other's favorite cases to crack. Virgo's matter-of-fact communication style puts suspicious Scorpio at ease. In turn, Virgo will appreciate Scorpio's keen and astute observations. You're caring friends as well as companions. This match brings you both the security and predictability you crave. Helpful Virgo is a great supporter for Scorpio's inventive ideas. Scorpio inspires Virgo to think outside the box.

The Bad. Scorpio is the zodiac's sex symbol, Virgo is the virgin and your physical needs can be as different as night and day. When Scorpio gets too freaky, buttoned-up Virgo runs for cover. In turn, Scorpio may be irritated by how uptight Virgo can be. Obsessing over the details can turn into nitpicking, and you might tear each other to shreds trying to be helpful. You bring out each other's introverted sides, and you may lose touch with the rest of the world. If one of you feels attacked, you'll unleash a deadly verbal strike.

You + Libra



The Good. This is a mind-body-soul kinda meld, as sexy Scorpio ignites the passion in romantic Libra. The physical chemistry is off the charts here. Conversations will be deep and dynamic, which you both love. Libra brings a lighter touch and helps intense Scorpio look at life in a positive light. Focused Scorpio, helps keep Libra from scattering his/her energy in too many directions. You work well and play well together, especially if you have the same taste in art and music.

The Bad. Libra is a social butterfly, while jealous Scorpio prefers intense one-on-one interactions. Possessive Scorpio wants long-term commitment; Libra wants time to "think about it." While you're both happy to indulge in life's finer things, Libra is an impulse shopper while Scorpio parses out money with the utmost consideration. Libra can handle a casual affair while Scorpio will rarely get physical unless there is the possibility of a real relationship.

You + Scorpio



The Good. Scorpios play for keeps, and the two of you will form an intense, passionate bond. Who else could possibly understand your need for control and undying loyalty? You'll quickly slip off to a private universe for two, where you stay up all night talking, strumming guitars, plotting business ventures, and drinking one too many bottles of gin. When you emerge from your bubble, you'll be joined at the hip. You're fiercely loyal and protective of each other—anyone who messes with you better watch out!

The Bad. Suspicion, jealousy and intrigue make a great movie, not a healthy relationship. Unless you trust each other, this can be a power struggle. Who will open up first? Neither one of you likes to feel vulnerable, so this relationship could get off to an awkward start. There's a tendency to form an "us against the world" mindset here too, and push away other people who love and support you. Take care not to isolate yourselves from your social networks, or life could feel lonely, fast!

You + Sagittarius



The Good. While you're as different as night at day, that's what makes this relationship so intriguing. Scorpio loves a mystery, Sagittarius likes to chase after an unreachable goal, and you could quickly become each other's targets and muses. Scorpio looks at the tiny details of everything, while Sagittarius focuses on the big picture. You can lend each other the missing perspective. Optimistic Sag helps Scorpio see the bright side, while Scorpio's intuition saves Sag from making big blunders.

The Bad. Sag loves raw, honest conversations—and will have them with anyone who is within earshot. Private, secretive Scorpio will only reveal personal data once people have passed a series of loyalty tests. Scorpio may fear that big-mouthed Sag will spill intimate secrets, and trust becomes an issue. Free-spirited Sag roams the globe freely, which can trigger Scorpio's jealous streak. Scorpio's intensity overwhelms Sagittarius who only wants to get so deep before breaking into laughter.

You + Capricorn



The Good. You both love a challenge, and there are plenty of spicy power plays in this match. The intrigue and passion will keep you entertained, but you can also use this energy to lift each other to new heights. Scorpio's sex appeal draws Capricorn out of that buttoned-up shell. Capricorn's stability and moneymaking skills gives Scorpio a sense of trust and security. The two of you can become a true power couple, especially if you go into business together.

The Bad. Power games are all fun and exciting until somebody gets hurt. Scorpio's indirect communication style can frustrate realistic Capricorn. Cap's workaholic nature can leave Scorpio feeling abandoned and off-center. There may be too much emphasis on image here and not enough time spent developing a deeper connection. Make sure your attraction goes beyond the surface, or this could become a user-friendly relationship.

You + Aquarius



The Good. You're both ambitious and competitive, and make excellent partners when you're working towards a common goal. Together, you can really work a room: Aquarius gets everyone talking while Scorpio keenly observes the interpersonal dynamics. You are both obsessed with understanding the inner workings of the human mind. Staying physically fit is a common goal too, so sign up for a charity bike race or run together.

The Bad. Scorpio needs to be Numero Uno in a partner's universe, but Aquarius doesn't like to play favorites. Scorpio doesn't trust easily and usually rolls with a small, close-knit entourage. Aquarius becomes besties with people in three minutes or less, which enrages the private, possessive Scorpion. Aquarius finds Scorpio's judgmental streak off-putting while Scorpio may find Aquarius superficial and flighty.

You + Pisces



The Good. Soulmate alert! There's an unspoken bond between you two water signs. You're both mysterious and intuitive, and will be fascinated by the inner workings of each other's minds. You understand each other's need for space and solitude, but when it's time for togetherness, you'll stick by each other like Krazy Glue. Scorpio is bossy and Pisces likes it when someone else is in control, so your emotional styles will dovetail beautifully. You'll make beautiful art and music together.

The Bad. Scorpio is secretive, Pisces is a master of illusion. If you aren't above board with each other, this relationship can devolve into CIA level spy games. Scorpio may try to control the slippery Fish, who will squirm if the Scorpion gets too possessive. Scorpio's stinging remarks can wound tender Pisces who responds by pulling away, provoking Scorpio's deep-seated abandonment issues. Addiction is an issue both water signs share, so make sure you set limits for yourselves sometimes.

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DATE PLANNER



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An intense attraction is the essential first ingredient to igniting romance with a Scorpio. As the famed sex symbols of the zodiac, you have turned seduction into an art form. You'll gaze into your date's eyes while speaking passionately about something, anything...and suddenly, it's gotten very, very hot. Conversation is more than stimulating for you. It's a pure aphrodisiac, whether you're standing in the middle of a public place or nestled in a private corner of your favorite hole-in-the-wall bar.

Scorpios love the nightlife, and you're at your best when the sun goes down. Dress in something slinky and black and meet your date at an ambient restaurant where the food is spicy and exotic. Music and dancing are huge in your world. Flaunt your knowledge of obscure bands and pick up two tickets to an indie concert. You have a knack for finding hidden gems, like a rollicking afterhours jazz club or a speakeasy with a vintage cocktail menu. If you're feeling particularly naughty, you might meet a date at a burlesque show or even an exotic dance club. Who knows? This might be the perfect opportunity to show off a couple moves from your pole-dancing classes.

You like to be in control. Your dates are definitely being tested while they are out with you. Invite them into selective parts of your life: your favorite restaurant, bar, place to hang out with friends, and eventually your home. You're looking to see how well someone will fit in with your carefully curated life and if they understand what makes you tick. One condescending remark and it might just be curtains for your hopeful suitor. Scorpios fear rejection more than any other sign, and you need a mate who is fascinated by you, and also supportive and encouraging.

WHAT TO DO ON A DATE

Visit your favorite restaurant, your favorite bar, your favorite club, your favorite anything: you like to show off your great taste

Check out an indie concert; or music festival

Go to a restaurant overlooking a lake or ocean

Spend a day at the beach together swimming, surfing or crewing a sailboat

Sample wines at a vineyard

Start a band together or belt out tunes at karaoke

Cook a gourmet meal together and co-host an ultimate dinner party

BREAKUP RECOVERY

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

The Breakup Breakdown

Intense Scorpio is the sign of extremes, and breakups bring out this side of you. You absolutely **hate** to get attached to your mates, because you know that once you do, it's a permanent bond. As a result, you can go for years in a committed relationship without ever opening your heart.

Ironically, it often takes a breakup for you to realize how much you loved your partner—and to show it. Scorpio is signified by the Phoenix, a mythic creature that rises from the flames of total destruction. You may subconsciously destroy your own relationship just to see what remains after the demolition. You only trust what survives...so if you find some feelings in the rubble, you declare it true love.

Unfortunately, your partner may have tired of the power struggle by then, and moved on. If only people understood how to read between the lines of your complicated twist on love. Perhaps this is why so many Scorpios date each other.



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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 Scorpio

FIND SOMETHING ELSE TO OBSESS OVER.

Admit it, you've got a talent for obsessing. In work, your detail-oriented nature serves you well. Post-breakup, this painful pining just gets you stuck. Several Scorpios we've known have driven friends to the edge by endlessly obsessing over exes. If she was at a bar, a picnic, a funeral, it didn't matter. She'd charm their way into grabbing someone's attention, and that poor soul was held captive for hours. Your best bet? Channel that obsession into your career. Write a book, take a class, record a CD, buy some real estate. These are the moments when your career can truly flourish.

TAKE A BREAK FROM DATING.

Scorpio is the "sex sign," and the quickest way to your heart is through your zipper. Escaping through flings and hookups is the worst thing you can do. Unfortunately, casual affairs don't exist in your all-or-nothing vocabulary. That said, you do need to release physical energy, so find a way to do it. Our Scorpio friend Andy Sway expanded his energy healing business. Another Scorpio went on a rock-climbing adventure, and one took a pilgrimage to Burning Man.

AVOID EXTREME BEHAVIOR.

Avoid extreme behavior. As the sign of extremes, you may drown your emotions in unhealthy behaviors, like over-eating, substance abuse or worse. You can't stuff down your emotions with chocolate, or wash them away with adult beverages. If you find yourself going to dangerous places, get help. Call an anonymous helpline (Scorpios are secretive), join a support group, pore through self-help books.

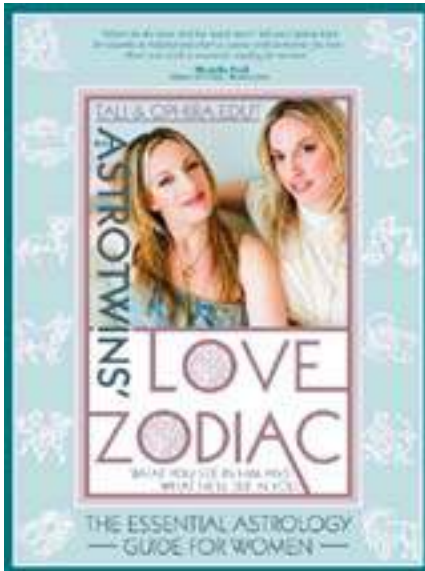


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THE SETTING.

Scorpio is a private, passionate and intimate sign. Even if you have 500 guests, find a way to make each of them feel like they're part of a small, exclusive affair. With your natural attention to detail, you can get creative with fabric and textures to make your space smolder with intensity. Or, set up the environment like a Moroccan-style lounge, with harem tents and floor cushions. Scorpio is a mystical, spiritual sign, so you might even hire a wandering tarot card reader or a palmist for entertainment. Don't shy away from adding Eastern or tropical touches like bamboo, lotus blossoms, or tableware edged with an intricate pattern. With your love of mystery, you might even throw a

masked ball instead of an ordinary reception. As a water sign, you'll also love a destination wedding in a tropical enclave, where you marry barefoot on the beach at sunset. Decorate with shells and simple white-on-white, using different textures to create contrast. Don't let your competitive side rob your wedding of creativity. The day is about expressing your unique personality, not following a set of rules.

THE DRESS.

Everyone knows that Scorpio is the "sex sign," so don't disappoint 'em. Shimmy into a dress that makes you feel like a total bombshell. You're a highly physical sign, Scorpio, so you'll need a dress that fits like a second skin and gives you plenty of room to move. That said, Scorpio is the sign of power and control, and you never want to look like you're trying too hard. Go for sleek, but keep it sleek and sophisticated, too. A strapless dress with striking details goes farther than one with a plunging "look at me!" V-neck (leave that on the rack for the attention-hungry Leo brides). You're the sign of mystery, so leave a little to their imagination, but show enough to incite a double-take or two. You're all about the tiny details and love the essence of Morocco, India and Bali. Choose a gown that picks up eastern touches, like fine embroidery, tiny beading or delicately jeweled straps. Detailing around your hips, even those inspired by a belly dancer's skirt, can add to your sexy sway. You're a "power bride" who knows what you want, and you'll use your amazing focus to get it. One Scorpio bride we know found her dress in a single day of turbo-charged shopping.



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THE RING.

With your quiet power, you look best in a ring that's impressive but understated—still sparkly, but not over the top in terms of flash. You don't mind if people “in the know” can tell that you're sporting a high-class piece. You love tiny details and secrets, so engrave a private message inside your band that only you and husband will understand. What about an exclusive “eternity band” (symbolizing no beginning, no end) with an unusual shape? Or, go for a cushion-cut stone, which features rounded corners and larger facets to increase brilliance, and are available as squares or rectangle..

THE BRIDAL PARTY

You're slow to trust, Scorpio, but when you do

finally bond, it's for life. Chances are, you've got a small, tight-knit crew of friends who know the fears and insecurities that you hide from the rest of the world. You'd rather include those rare pals of the pinky-sworn-blood-sister ilk than a host a huge procession of fair-weather friends. You're the sexiest sign, so put a little sizzle in your bridesmaids' style. Many Scorpios love intense colors like red, hot pink and neon yellow. Don't be afraid to put your maids in deep, saturated hues, or in your sign's signature color, black. You're all about details and control, so be sure to advise on everything from jewelry to shoes so your vision is fulfilled.

THE HONEYMOON

As a water sign who loves her solitude, a strip of pristine, private beach has your name on it—perhaps Turks and Caicos Islands in the Caribbean. Boasting high-end resorts and undisturbed coral reefs, it's not overtaken by tourists, which you'll love. Or a private, 1000-acre island that you have “practically to yourself.” For the mystic in you, look into Marrakesh, Morocco. It's sensual and atypical—but not overpriced—which is great since you run a tight budget. Explore the bazaars and souks (open markets) of the Djemaa el Fna town square, where you can put your Scorpio bargaining skills to work and haggle over woven rugs, spices, silver and other hand-crafted treasures. The ancient mosques, Berber culture and streetside healers can provide an elevating spiritual experience. If you're a hiker or climber, head to the gorgeous vistas of the nearby Atlas mountains.

BRIDEZILLA ALERT: EXTREME BRIDE-ING

It's one thing to look like you've got it all together. But you could be so tightly in control of your emotions that you're an ice queen at the ceremony. Later, you'll down too much champagne, and your bottled-up emotions pour out inappropriately. Swinging from rigid to raunchy will leave you obsessing over your regrettable behavior for years (Scorpios never forget anything!). Take a deep breath and trust that it will all work out. Loosen up and enjoy your day

The background features a repeating floral pattern. The design includes large, stylized flowers with multiple layers of petals, smaller buds, and clusters of leaves. The color palette is muted, consisting of various shades of brown, tan, and green, all set against a light, off-white background. The overall aesthetic is classic and elegant.

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CAREER & LIFE PURPOSE

Make your big day a celebration of love and your unique personality.



The Scorpio path

When it comes to your career, Scorpio, you're on a serious mission. You pour yourself into work with the same smoldering intensity that you bring to everything else you do. No detail escapes you, and you'll do almost anything to get what you want.

Scorpio is the sign of power and control. Although you crave security, you also thrive on competition. Nothing engages a Scorpio more than pursuing an out-of-reach goal that promises power, lifelong financial security or a chance to be seen as the best in your field.

Scorpio rules the zodiac's eighth house of other people's property and large chunks of money. You could thrive as a real estate investor, tax attorney, financial advisor, media mogul, or anything that involves handling a large fortune. Scorpio is a limber, body-conscious sign, and you may express your intensity through a physical career, such as teaching yoga or physical therapy. Because you rule birth and death, you could even be a mortician! (Hey, somebody's gotta do it.) Scorpios pay precise attention to detail, and you love to plumb the depths of any subject. You could make an excellent editor or psychologist. With your natural creativity, you can also be a great artist or musician -- at the very least, you could be an expert in obscure music or a great producer.

Your sign is like a magnet, so focus on drawing others to you by inventing a new brand of cool, rather than chasing after them. Nothing says "world domination" more than the quiet, come-hither energy of a Scorpio basking in his/her power.

BEST CAREERS FOR SCORPIO

lawyer
real estate mogul
bodyworker
psychologist
investment banker
psychic
tax attorney
mortician
journalist
musician

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Pitfalls to avoid

Bragging.

Though you long for fame, secretive Scorpios are uncomfortable bragging. And boasting is SO unflattering to your sign. It makes you seem desperate or annoyingly cocky (translation: insecure)—tarnishing that intimidating, oh-so-powerful vibe that we love and fear in Scorpios.

Being sneaky.

Too much secrecy could work against you, too. Because you simmer with such powerful energy, people who don't know you may feel overwhelmed when you unleash it on them. Or, they may simply sense that “something's up” and suspect that you have a hidden agenda. You're the sign of extremes, so be careful not to be too brash or forceful—and be sure to reveal your intentions up front rather than being overly mysterious. Don't worry Scorpio, you might be often imitated, but you're never duplicated—your secret sauce is far too original for anyone to steal.



YOUR ULTIMATE PURPOSE:
To understand and reveal the mysteries of life.

MONEY

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

Your money management style

Scorpio is the sign that rules large amounts of money. You're great at making a chunk of change, then reinvesting it to build your empire. Investments, inheritances, royalties, credit cards, tax refunds and real estate all fall under your reign. You're financially shrewd and may attract quite a fortune in your lifetime. Take a page from Scorpio moguls like Bill Gates, Ted Turner and Sean "Diddy" Combs.

For Scorpio, money equals control. A tight wallet sends you into panic, but once you're comfortable with your

account's natural highs and lows, you'll learn how to trust the universe. Ironically, that's when you'll become playful and powerful with money. You're determined to live life on your own terms and are surprisingly resourceful—money will never be an issue for long.

YOUR SPENDING HABITS

Scorpio is the sign of extremes, and that's reflected in your spending habits. You can go months barely spending a dime, then blow it all on a big purchase. Saving for an investment is great, but racking up your credit card for power-suits and impulse splurges can be disastrous. Be sure you can cover the tab before you pick it up. At the same time, don't be cheap! Moderation is key.

Favorite splurges

Real estate, money management tools, top-grade supplies for whatever you're passionate about, handmade art or craftwork with tiny details (like pottery and sculpture), well-made shoes and bags, study aids, music by obscure bands, vintage clothes and unique home decor

How to Attract more wealth

There's a reason money is also called "flow"—and that's because it goes both in and out. You have to take risks if you want rewards. If you only look for guarantees, you could miss enormous opportunities. Choose a combo of high-and low-risk investments, and diversify your portfolio. Then give the seeds you plant time to grow. Remember, you can't control everything, so relax and let go!

READ IT & REAP: BOOKS ON PROSPERITY

Think and Grow Rich
by Napoleon Hill

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All About Me (or "who am I, anyway?")

Your chart is a snapshot of the stars at your birth—a blueprint, or road map, of your soul. We'll explain your chart's strengths and challenges. From there, we give specific advice about love, career, health, or any topic you like, and give you a personalized "astro-prescription" for manifesting the results you desire.

Life Purpose (or "Help! I'm lost!")

What am I meant to do with my life? Your chart contains a "destiny point" that reveals information about your true path.

Love & Relationship Stuff

Will I ever find "the One"? Am I in the right relationship? How can we get along better? We're going through changes—what should I do? We'll help you understand your needs and (if you're part of a couple), those of your partner.

Family, Babies, Kids...Oh My!

Will I ever have a baby? Am I meant to be a parent? How can I understand my kids? My mom is driving me nuts—help!

Relocation: Should I Move?

Are you moving to a new home? Each city has a sign. Find out how well your chart gels with your desired location. Unlock answers for a happy transition.

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TRAVEL

Pull yourself away from work and explore Earth's hidden corners.

Vacation—what's that? You rarely give yourself a break. But when you do, you're quite an explorer, traveling to daring places. You'll venture out solo, with family or a few trusted friends. Business travel is high on your agenda, which allows you to justify time away from your goals. In your trademark intense style, you're an extreme traveler—when you take off, you do it all the way. You're the type who will quit her job and head to Southeast Asia, backpack through Europe or study abroad in Australia.

Your best vacation spots include water, your ruling element—such as a beautiful, remote beach where you can forget your troubles. Equally, you'll seek intense experiences like detoxing in Thailand, a long ski trip, or traveling through Europe by rail. Places that allow you to disappear into the crowd or explore the mysteries of a new culture or environment will appeal. You do well on retreats, especially at exclusive enclaves where you have plenty of privacy. Deep Scorpio always pursues intimate bonding (with yourself and others) and you don't want crowds or tightly-packed itineraries taking up your precious time. You prefer to be in total control of your agenda.



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ENTERTAINING

Intimate gatherings and rich dinner conversations are what you crave.

You're a private sign, so large groups can give you the heebie-jeebies. Your worst nightmare is to walk into a room full of strangers and be forced to mingle. Scorpions don't trust lightly and hate to feel vulnerable. You'll disappear into a shadowy corner, leaving friends wondering where you went. You prefer incognito travel or the intimacy of your few close friends. Notable examples are Scorpio Julia Roberts, who lives la vida low-key in New Mexico, and Scorpio Demi Moore, who raised her kids in a tiny Idaho town. You'll skip the crowds and opt for a private karaoke room, a seductively smoky hookah bar, or a decadent multi-course dinner party in a small, intimate restaurant.

If you do throw a big bash, it will be to increase your status and power. You'll want total control over the guest list. This behind-the-velvet ropes touch gives you the control you crave. With your flair for mystique, you may even disappear for a while. Set up plenty of private areas so guests can enjoy one-on-one conversations. Aim for low lighting, cozy cushions placed in little nooks, candlelight, and touches that increase the sensual vibe.

Since you warm up slowly in a crowd, try a dress-up theme or another icebreaker to get things rolling. You may even want to incorporate a musical performance or a roundtable political discussion into your parties, especially if you lead it. This allows you to hold court and display your power and intellect. You go to extremes to impress your guests and show them how important, worldly and accomplished you are. If you host a dinner party, you'll prepare detailed or exotic dishes, paying attention to the littlest touches and adding plenty of spice.



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FAMILY DYNAMICS

You love your family fiercely, but you also need your alone time.



Family: the people you love the most and the ones who drive you the craziest. As a Scorpio, you crave closeness and intimacy, but you also need your alone time. As such, family can be a mixed bag for you. Sharing a room is especially difficult for the Scorpio kid, especially if your sibling is loud, messy, or the greatest offense—tries to read your diary.

Trusting people does not come easily for your sign. If you were lucky enough to grow up with a stable family, you may sidestep some of the issues that can erupt in Scorpios. If not, call the therapist! Childhood wounds cut deep for your sensitive soul and you'll need to do some healing before you feel ready to build a family of your own.



Because you remember your own childhood so vividly, you are one of the most stellar and compassionate parents around. You can sense your children's unspoken need for love and security and intuitively provide the perfect haven. You are also great at nurturing their creativity. Bring on the art classes, music lessons, and Montessori tuitions: if it fosters their talents, you'll find a way to pay for it. You're also better than most at keeping a secret which is why relatives of all ages turn to you as their confidante.

Issue to Manage: OVERPROTECTIVENESS

To say that you're protective of your peeps would be putting it mildly. Woe betide anyone who crosses The Scorpio Dynasty. You'll avenge them like a Shakespearean protagonist until they've paid for what they've done. While that tiger mother spirit comes from a noble place, it does not set a great example for, say, teaching kids the art of conflict resolution. Learning to pause and reflect before you react to every slight can be tricky. Try to remember the wise words of Gandhi, "An eye for an eye leaves everyone blind."





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FRIENDSHIP

As friendships develop, Scorpios can go to extremes. If you do decide to share yourself, it can be an intense and overwhelming experience. At best, you are a loyal friend who will go to the end of the Earth to protect your loved ones. At worst you can be possessive and jealous, scaring people off with your suffocating hold. Learning to be less “all or nothing” in your approach can help Scorpios relax and enjoy friendships that are about fun instead of control.

Trust doesn't come easily to Scorpios, so friends may have to go through a sorority-style hazing in order to prove your loyalty. Those who make the cut will be treated like family—in a Sopranos sort of way. Scorpios are looking to build a tight inner circle. Respecting your privacy and sharing your little secrets will be the glue that bonds you together.

Scorpios are drawn to mystery, but only if the surprises are small and the risks are calculated. Too much wondering makes you suspicious; not enough bores you. You need smart and competent friends who can help you stay grounded when you start obsessing about all the behind-the-scenes details. Power turns you on and you like to surround yourself with VIPs who not only make you look good but can also help make your own success stories come true.



GIFT GUIDE: THE PERFECT PRESENTS FOR SCORPIO

Little black dresses from indie-designers

DIY and crafting tools, like a hip knitting set or jewelry making kit

A 10-day yoga card

Surfing lessons

Concert tickets

Divination tools like runes or tarot cards



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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	Sagittarius	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, Sagittarius

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	communicate
february	family
march	flirting
april	get in shape
may	relationships
june	get married

july	vacation
august	career & achievement
september	friends & networking
october	finish everything
november	start something new
december	money

1 january 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.

2 february 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!

3 march 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.





4 april 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.

5 may 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!"

6 june 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!

7 july 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.

8 august 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!

9 september 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.

10 october 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!



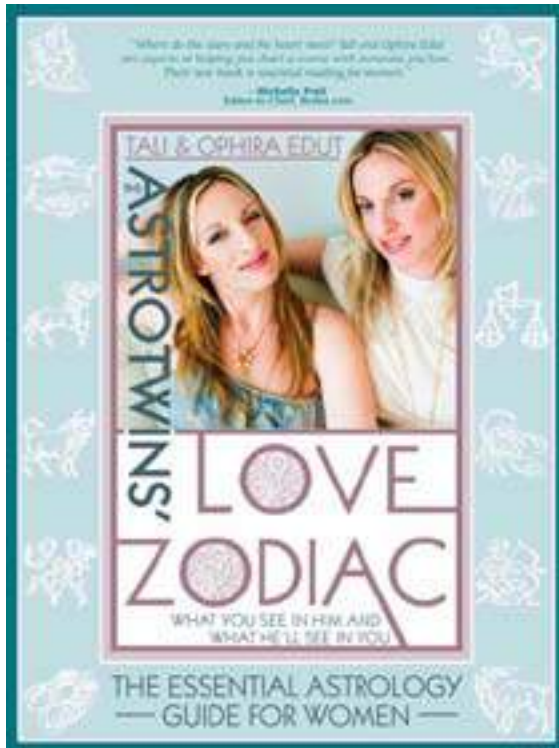
11 november money & makeovers

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.

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