

SOLAR RETURN REPORT

A Solar Writer Report for Prince William



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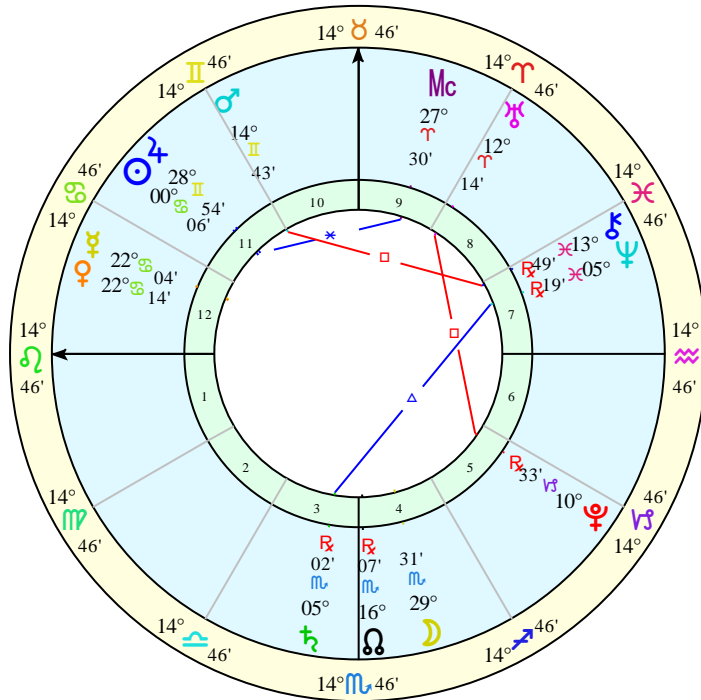
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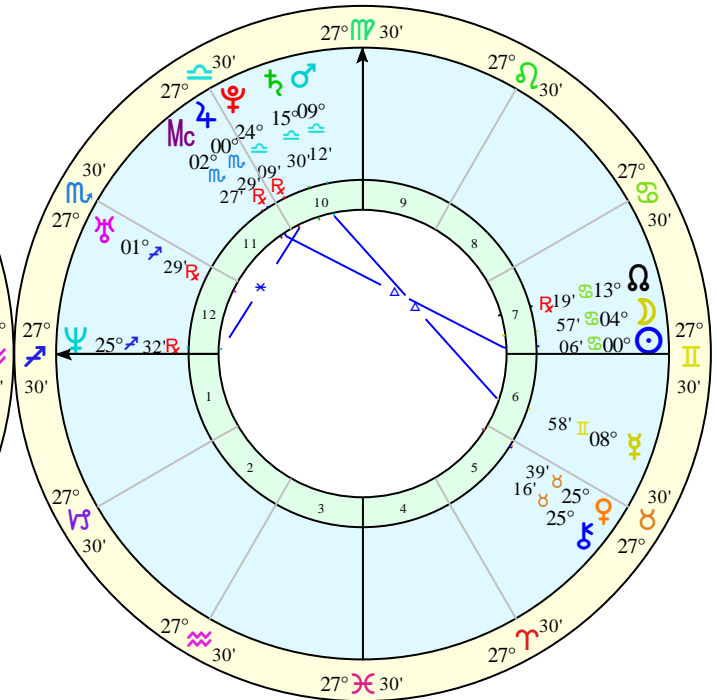
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Introduction



"Because time itself is like a spiral, something special happens on your birthday each year: The same energy that God invested in you at birth is present once again."

-- Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson

Many people are familiar with their own astrological sign because Sun sign astrology is popular in today's culture. Taking this one step further extends the understanding of astrology from the Sun sign to other planets and aspects of astrology that interplay at the moment of birth. A chart is produced that astrologers can interpret. What you may not know is that astrologers can also calculate a chart for each of your birthdays, and these charts can predict the patterns that you might experience in the forthcoming year. This is because each year the Sun does a full revolution of the zodiac. Therefore each year the Sun returns to the exact position of your birth chart Sun. Wherever you are in the world we can calculate this birthday chart. This chart is called a Solar Return; hence the saying "many happy returns". This chart represents the opportunities and challenges of the forthcoming year. It should also be read in conjunction with your birth chart to fully understand the lessons and opportunities available to you in any given year.

When using these Solar 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 the dilemmas of the chart.

Please also be aware of the fact that each person possesses both positive and negative influences in the chart, and therefore in their lives. The challenge is to accept and overcome the negative influences, so that we can successfully focus on manifesting the positive traits or qualities. This report outlines both influences, and therefore helps us to rise to the challenges during any given year. Any advice given is meant to be an aid the individual in taking responsibility for his or her own life. Ultimately the decision rests with each individual.

THIS YEAR'S MAJOR THEME



"And in the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years."

-- Abraham Lincoln, US 16th President

The Ascendant

The Ascendant indicates your primary focus of the year. It shows your main direction and how you are likely to go about achieving your goals. The Ascendant indicates whether you are more likely to be self-motivated, or whether you are more likely to rely on other people during this year.

The Ascendant is in Leo

Your birthday chart Ascendant is in a masculine Fire sign indicating that this is a year in which you are a go-getter. If you are usually more reliant on other people, this year you are champing at the bit to march to the beat of your own drum. You would like to act as you see fit, free of restrictions imposed by other people's expectations. You are self-motivated, more of a leader than a follower. You are unlikely to wait for other people before you take action, even if this is your usual modus operandi. Patience is in short supply this year. You want action. Your creative fires are burning.

Leo is a showy and creative sign and therefore you are more likely to be in the limelight this year. This could be literally stepping onto a podium, stage or in front of a class, or your talents could be recognized in other ways. Perhaps you take on the role of President of a local organization, or you receive a promotion in your work. As the character Forrest Gump says in the 1994 film of the same name, life is *"like a box of chocolates. You never know what you're gonna get."* This year you are presented with a very large box of chocolates and you can choose what takes your fancy. It may be beneficial to focus on your own needs this year, particularly if you are spoilt for choice. In which area would you really like to shine? What is most important to you? Once you have answered these questions, then you can focus on enjoying the opportunities and basking in the limelight.

The Sun

The Sun is very important when interpreting a Solar Return chart given that the chart is based on the Sun. It indicates the major theme of the year depicting the area in which you would really like to shine. Parts of

your life that have been seemingly unimportant in previous years can become very important once the Sun shines its light in a particular house of a Solar Return chart.

The Sun is in the 11th House

Your hopes and dreams and wishes are the major themes of this year. In previous years you may have been willing to put your personal dreams on hold while you shouldered other responsibilities. You may also have been willing, or felt obliged to, put other people's needs and wishes first, but the time is now ripe for you pursue your own dreams. This could affect any area of your life, but it is more likely that you put professional ambitions on hold while you turn your attention to an enjoyable hobby, a passionate belief, or a new lifestyle. Lifestyle is the key component at the moment. You are looking for ways and means to improve the quality of your life. You may join a special interest group, spend more time with friends, or join a club. Alternatively you may seek a change of scenery. You are unlikely to travel abroad permanently, unless there are other indications in your birth chart, however you could easily move to a new neighbourhood if this more easily facilitates your dreams. Opportunities for change are likely to come about through other people. Your network of friends, colleagues and acquaintances offer support.

This is also a year during which you may renew acquaintances with old friends. A school reunion, a chance meeting with someone from the past or a long-lost relative may surface. Whatever else happens in your life during this period it is important that you reach out to other people and enjoy life. You need to make sure that your goals are clear because the following year is one of change based on your efforts this year.

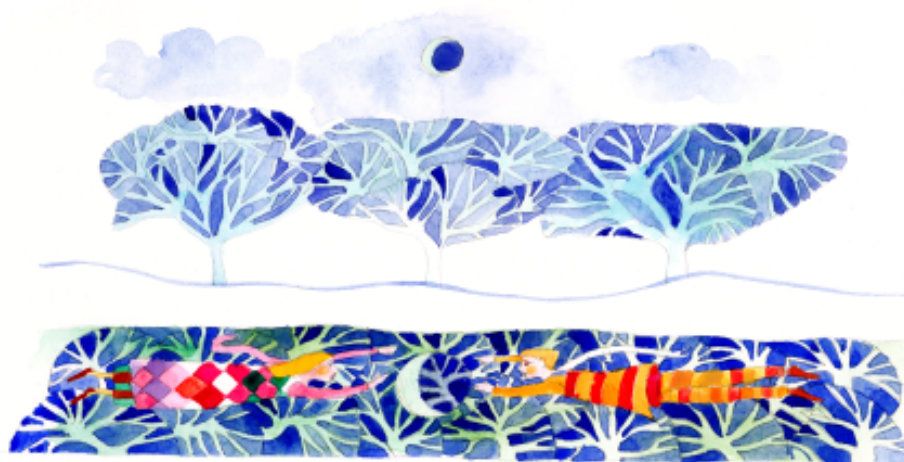
1st House Cusp is in Leo

The Sun also shines its rays on a different area of your annual chart when taking into account rulerships, a system used by astrologers to link planets and signs. In your case your annual Sun is ruling the first house of your chart indicating that one of the additional themes of your year is self-realisation. You are focussed on matters to do with your own health and happiness, and learn a lot about your own strengths and weaknesses. It is time to rely on your own resources, and assert yourself.

The Sun is Conjunct Jupiter

The beneficial planet Jupiter is shining its powerful rays on you indicating that you can enjoy a year of growth and success. Good fortune is with you. More than ever 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 years when doors open almost as soon as you state your request. It is almost as if you have your own personal genie in the sky, granting your wishes. If you are young then you may attract some benefactors this year, those who wish to see you do well in life and are willing to go out of their way to offer a lending hand. In fact this ability to be a magnet for a beneficial mentor, teacher, or benefactor can occur this year no matter how young or old you are. 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 year to become a benefactor, teacher or mentor.

THIS YEAR'S PERSONAL MATTERS



"The greatest comfort of my old age, and that which gives me the highest satisfaction, is the pleasing remembrance of the many benefits and friendly offices I have done to others."

-- Marcus Cato Roman Statesman

The Moon

The Moon is also an important indicator in a Solar Return chart. Generally speaking the Moon shows which areas of your life are likely to undergo change during the year. More specifically the Moon shows your personal needs. Your individual needs and urges are likely to trigger changes in your life during the course of the year.

The Moon is in the 4th House

It is time to look at the emotional needs of yourself and your family. Perhaps there have been changes in recent times and you need to reassess your feelings about particular family members. On the other hand changes in other areas of your life may be prompting you to look at your own feelings regarding home and family. Where is home? Who is your family? Where do you belong? Are there any cracks in these relationships that need fixing? These are questions that surface during this year. This is not an intellectual process. You cannot apply logic. Loved ones may seem irrational. Your own feelings may seem irrational but you need to face them. The more that you suppress your feelings regarding your home and family the more that you are likely to feel those feelings erupting in strange and mysterious ways. It is important to remember to ask for support, but also to care for your loved ones. If changes need to be made then the process of change is vital. The end result is not important right now; it is how you address your inner most needs, and those of your loved ones. The process that you implement right now is likely to have ramifications in the future. So it is important that you reflect on the feelings that are surfacing, and take considered action. So contemplate what you need to help you feel safe and secure in your home. Communicate these needs to loved ones. Heal past hurt feelings so that the next year can be truly rewarding. It is time to give birth to a new sense of belonging. Open your heart and embrace those closest to you and seek their support. Tell them how you feel and ask for their loving response. It is time for you to reach out to your loved ones, to create channels of communication that are warm and loving. This is deeply rewarding for both you and your family.

As a result of the feelings that are surfacing and the changes that are happening deep within you, you may make changes in your household. You may welcome a new child, or an adult child may leave the nest. If you are single you may marry and share your home with your spouse. You may redecorate, move furniture, undertake major renovations or move to a different house. It is also possible that, as the foundations of your life shift, you

contemplate a new career, perhaps one that involves working from home. Nevertheless it is through your private life that you are seeking more emotional sustenance.

The Moon is in Scorpio

The element of Water indicates that this is a rich emotional year for you. This is the ideal time to reach out to loved ones, share their trials and tribulations and reveal your own true feelings. It is a privilege to share the pains and joys of the lives of loved ones, even if at times you feel a little overwhelmed. This is a time to go with the flow in personal matters. Let your imagination flow. Your sensitivity and warmth are key factors right now.

When your Moon is in the sign of Scorpio this is an indication that your feelings are not only more sensitive, but they are also more intense. Something or someone is triggering powerful emotions. It is likely that someone close to your heart is challenging you at a deep emotional level. A woman is likely to be at the bottom of things, either directly or indirectly. It is time to be honest about your true feelings even if this means moving out of your comfort zone. During the course of the year you are likely to face some deep-seated fears with a view to letting go of the past and moving forward with more emotional integrity. It is time to expose the darker feelings that you have harboured, and any bad personal habits that may have taken root in your private life. If they exist then vices such as jealousy, possessiveness, lust, laziness, or greed can be exposed. Right now you need to assess your own feelings and your loved ones in the light of the truth. Do you need to change your ways, or do you need to walk away? There is no point keeping any secrets from your loved ones because they are exposed. Likewise your loved ones' secrets are likely to be exposed. You may need a little extra support this year and could seek the wise counsel of trusted professionals, colleagues and associates rather than trying to resolve everything on your own. If something or someone has hurt you, or abandoned you and you are in emotional pain then trust that the healing process is taking place. This is not a light-hearted year, but it can be a profound one. It is a year of significant emotional change, the birth of a new stage in your private life. Other aspects of your personal astrology depict which areas these fears are likely to be rooted, and which areas need to be changed. Once you have appraised your own feelings and made any necessary adjustments in your personal life, then you are likely to be a powerful ally for your loved ones. You can trust your intuition. Your perceptions are accurate. You may take on the role of counsellor and healer.

Venus

The planet Venus sheds light on the personal areas of love and finance in the forthcoming year. This planet of love tells you whether or not personal relationships are likely to be prominent during the year. If you are single then are you likely to attract a significant relationship? If you are married is this a year of romance and fun, or perhaps one in which you tackle a few changes.

Venus is in the 12th House

Love, faith and hope are themes for you this year. This is because you are more focussed on spiritual values, rather than the material ones. The material world just doesn't seem to hold much attraction right now. This could be because you have discovered a passion for helping others, a spiritual practice or a retreat in nature. On the other hand it could be because you have lost someone near and dear, perhaps through death or perhaps because you, or he or she, have travelled far away. The loss of someone special may trigger pain and grief, but it is also likely to deepen your understanding of the deeper and unknown aspects of your world. There is joy to be had in a spiritual journey right now, and in spiritual friends and esoteric matters. You enjoy stepping into the unknown. At some stage this year you are likely to share your experience with other people, helping them in some way. You are more highly tuned to the beauties and wonders of nature and therefore a retreat may be particularly soothing. Sometimes the planet of love in this part of your annual chart can indicate benefits, or drawbacks, through friendships and love. As a result you would be wise to avoid becoming too embroiled in your friend's ongoing problems. You need to assess your own values, act on them and gently assert your opinions and beliefs. It is important that you are compassionate and caring, but that you do not deplete your own resources. This is your year for spiritual renewal, and in gaining all of the benefits that accompany such a growth spurt. If at first you do not see the gift of the events of this year, then trust that love, faith and hope win out in the end. You have the ability to sift through the dross and truly find the gold.

Venus is in Cancer

The planet of love is in a Water sign this year indicating that you seek sensitivity and understanding in love. You are more likely to be focussed on caring and sharing rather than material matters. Feelings are important right now. If you are single and looking for a lover, then you yearn for someone who is simpatico, sharing or supporting your passions. You are well advised to avoid anyone who expresses harsh words. If you are attached, then you enjoy relaxing with your loved one in beautiful natural surroundings, at artistic or inspirational events, or perhaps even on a spiritual retreat. The key is for you to feel emotionally safe and in tune with your partner. Look at other aspects of your annual chart for more details on your love life and money matters.

THIS YEAR'S CHALLENGES



"If we could be twice young and twice old we could correct all our mistakes."

-- Euripides Ancient Greek Playwright

Mars

The planet Mars tells you about your assertion and drive for the year. It depicts what motivates you in the current year, and what desires drive you most powerfully. Are you ambitious for professional power, or do you desire a meaningful relationship? Are you likely to be highly motivated, or perhaps ready to sit back and cruise for a while? These are the types of questions answered by the qualities of the planet Mars in your birthday chart.

Mars is in the 10th House

You are keen to take action to achieve your life-long goals. If you have been settling for second best in your career, now you are likely to challenge authority. If you are self-employed then you may employ an adviser, or take a different direction on your own accord. If you are an employee then you are likely to lay down your demands before your boss and expect them to be met. If your boss does not come to the party, then you are likely to seek other employment, or perhaps even defy authority and resign on the spot. There is a famous line in the movie "The Network". Actor Peter Finch says, *"I'm as mad as hell, and I'm not going to take this anymore!"* This is likely to be your motto, if any one blocks your path. At times your career may feel a bit like a battlefield, as you vie for either your own autonomy, or top position. You are arming yourself, gathering allies and ready to march on in your professional life. You may feel a bit driven this year, a kind of "now or never" feeling. As such you may over react at times, but you are focussed on winning the war, not the battle, and so your far-reaching goals are likely to help stabilize your plans. It is also possible that you get married this year, either a long term lover or actively seek someone suitable for marriage. If marriage or parenthood has been a life-long goal then you are keen to fulfil this ambition. It is true that the time is right for you to instigate changes that have long term benefits, but you also need to be wary of making rash decisions that have long-reaching consequences. You are on a quest for your own fulfilment, but remember that others can be co-opted to help you achieve your ambitions, rather than alienated along the way.

Mars is Sextile The Ascendant

Physical changes occur this year. You are likely to take up a new sport, start a program at the gym, or assert

yourself in ways that you have not previously done so. You may also meet an important man who changes the way in which you see yourself, and hence changes your life. This is a challenging year. The nature of the challenges and whether or not you welcome them are likely to be reflected in other aspects of your annual chart.

Uranus

The planet Uranus is one of disclosure. It reveals the areas that you need to change during the course of your birthday year. If you are the type of person who anticipates and embraces new experiences then you are likely to delight in the challenges, and instigate a few of your own in the area highlighted by this unpredictable planet. If you tend to prevaricate, preferring the comfort on known situations, then you are likely to be in for a few surprises. This erratic planet does not recognise safety and security. Its task is to help you to grow beyond your limitations. You can either accept or resist the challenge and see what happens as a result.

Uranus is in the 8th House

The flow of money is subject to the winds of change this year. If your money is jointly invested, or if you are involved in a business enterprise then this is the first port of call. Your joint resources are likely to change. This could be as a result of a risky investment, which either pays off or takes a dive. It could also be because you want to change the way that you invest your funds, or because your partner has a change of income. If your money is not tied up with anyone else, then it is your own investments that are affected. Perhaps you have decided to take a break from work, invest in a new business, move from paid employment to self-employment, or other such changes in your life. Whatever your personal circumstances your money management needs re-evaluation. Any surplus funds need to be invested wisely, and not rashly. Any debts need to be consolidated. If you try to ignore mounting debt then you are likely to have matters taken out of your hands. Debt collectors, tax collectors and the bankruptcy courts are just around the corner, if you don't face your financial fears. This year presents you with new ways of handling money. Fortunately, you have the opportunity to perceive finances, and other matters, in a new light this year. Your psychic skills are finely honed and you may discover just how gifted you are. Once again it is time to face any residual fears about your unconventional talents, and put yourself to the test. You are well aware that there are seasons in your life, just as there are seasons on this planet Earth. What season are you currently experiencing and are you making the most of it? In other words it is not just your financial investments that require a re-evaluation, but also how you invest your time. This is your opportunity to explore your god-given talents and experience a new lease on life.

Pluto

Peace can be deceptive. True peace comes when life is balanced, when you are living true to yourself and are sincerely happy with your life choices. You respect other people and assert your own needs and wishes, and live your life with integrity. Sometimes it appears that your life is peaceful, but you are really just sweeping things under the proverbial carpet, keeping the peace by swallowing your own needs or biding your time until events or people force you to make the necessary changes. You can be assured that the powerful planet Pluto will shine a bright light in one or more areas of your birthday chart and you will see your own process very clearly. If you are living your life true to yourself then you are likely to reap benefits from this planet of transformation. However, if you have been dodging the truth then events or people are likely to change.

Pluto is in the 5th House

The powerful planet Pluto is highlighted in the area of creativity and fun. This is not a straightforward year. In some ways you are reassessing, at a very deep level, what it means to truly express yourself. Perhaps you have felt stifled in your life and have resisted your creative urges? Perhaps circumstances have prevented you from enjoying life? This year you are no longer able to submerge your own urge for fun and artistry. Submerged desires bubble to the surface. You could find yourself acting in ways that seem alien, wanting to explore areas that previously held no attraction. You may be secretly attracted to someone from your past, or someone who represents how you would

truly like to be now. It is time for a deeply-felt need for expression to be born. You could literally give birth to a child, perhaps even as a result of a surprise pregnancy. On the other hand an artistic project could be born. It is also possible that a romantic liaison emerges during this year. Whatever the scenario you can be sure that your deepest desires are coming to the surface. The more that you embrace these possibilities with an open heart and mind, the less likely you are to become involved in fruitless activities. You are being challenged to see the truth about what needs to be born in your life, and to then make the appropriate changes. The more that you resist the more that you are likely to be challenged during this year. It is time to dig deep and face the facts that you have known for quite some time - you need more fun, romance and creativity. You are seeking inspiration and freedom from mundane matters. You may delight in the arts as a way of self-discovery. If you have always wanted to write, sing, dance, act, join a circus troupe or design your own business then this is the year to start exploring your options. This is not an orderly year, but a messy exploratory one. As author A A Milne said, "*one of the advantages of being disorderly is that one is constantly making exciting discoveries.*" This is your year for making exciting discoveries.

THIS YEAR'S LESSONS



"Our birthdays are feathers in the broad wing of time."

-- Jean Paul Richter German Writer

Mercury

The planet Mercury helps you plan your year ahead. The Messenger of the Gods in a Solar Return chart indicates whether or not you are encouraged to forge ahead with your plans, or perhaps better advised to wait another year before moving ahead. This is particularly true for any area of your life connected with communications, study, business and transport.

Mercury is in the 12th House

There are undercurrents in your life right now that you may not be aware of. Depending on other aspects of your astrology these may come to light during the year. They can be connected to your home life, work, or hobbies. Someone or something is not as it seems, not acting in your best interests. Your lesson is to keep your thoughts to yourself and act with integrity in all areas of your life. If you do not know it already, then your lesson is to realize that you cannot control other people's behaviour. Contemplation is the key. Go with the flow for your own peace of mind. Think of swimmers who get caught by an undertow. The experts advise them to relax and go with the current rather than try to swim against it and fight it. The advice is the same for you during this year. Change what you can, and let go of the rest. If you speak up now you may say the wrong thing, so silence is your friend. Of course, you don't want to keep quiet at the expense of your own mental health, but you are advised to think carefully before expressing your thoughts, particularly if they are negative. It is time to take a back seat, specifically if you have been busy and mentally overloaded. If you continue to push yourself, then you are likely to become tense, perhaps even distressed, and alienate others. Solitude can be healing this year. On a positive note this is the ideal year for rest and relaxation and pursuing activities that promote tranquillity. Yoga, meditation, tai chi and other such practices are beneficial. You can also benefit from focusing on an imaginative or philanthropic project. If you have always longed to write your memoirs, an epic novel or a symphony then this is your year. Likewise if you have longed to go on a remote retreat, start making plans. This is your year for seclusion, recuperation and restoration.

Mercury is in Cancer

The sharp intellect of the planet Mercury is mingling with an emotional Water sign, which is not an easy mix. Right now you are finding it difficult to make clear and sensible decisions. Perhaps you receive some news which upsets you, or possibly life is changing in a way that doesn't feel good. You need to say good-bye to one section of your life and embrace a new chapter. You know deep down what you need to do, but are nevertheless are indecisive. Right now your thoughts are at odds with your feelings, and you are confused. You may think one thing, and feel

something completely different, or your feelings are influencing your thinking processes. You may try to push your feelings away, closing your mind and your mouth. This is not likely to help your process of learning more about yourself and your loved ones. You need to let your feelings come to the surface so that you can gain a greater understanding. You could try directing your sentiments into a mentally stimulating project, one that is both a conduit and helps you make sense of your feelings. Perhaps you could write poetry, a private journal, or a personal story. You may enjoy trying your hand at acting, which enables you to express strong feelings on stage. Painting, drawing, and sculpting may also be therapeutic. Whatever method you choose, it is important that you learn to express your feelings more this year. If you try to push your feelings away then you could become disoriented, and make poor decisions based on misguided beliefs. For instance you may think that you are acting in a strong and independent fashion, whereas you are simply cutting yourself off from loved ones. The more that you try to rationalize, rather than explore, your emotions, the more that you are likely to feel despondent. Your opinions are then coloured by your disillusion, rather than by your passion. You may be irritable, full of complaints and hard to get along with. If you are unsure of your feelings, and how to express them then you may benefit talking to a personal counsellor, psychologist, or a close friend. On a more positive note, the more that you acknowledge, accept and express your emotions the more that you are likely to enjoy opportunities to become intimately involved with your loved ones and creative projects. You can enjoy happy occasions and create joyful memories, trusting in your intuition and the rapport that you feel with family and friends. You may enjoy photographing feel-good moments, writing a family history, or perhaps even listening to other people's experiences. This is a year in which experience plays a bigger role than book learning. So enjoy the new experiences that come your way.

Mercury is Conjunct Venus

In many ways this is a good news year. Even if you are facing some challenges you have the self-confidence and the support to rise above your difficulties, make plans and decisions that are in your best interest. Ask and you shall receive. Your friend, family and colleagues are likely to help you this year. As you make improvements in your lifestyle, decisions that change your course, you discover that offers of love, support and even money may come your way. You need only decide what you most desire and then announce your plans, and the rest follows. It is time to make your fortune. All may not turn out exactly as you had planned, but you can trust that the results will be to your liking. For instance you lose your job only to be offered an exciting opportunity with even better conditions and financial remuneration. You may be unmarried, planning your life as a single person. You are fully prepared to go solo, and then you meet someone and strike up a romance. Life as you know it changes, but for the better as you incorporate your lover into your life. Romance is a distinct possibility for singles this year, and you may fall in love and make a commitment before the year is out. You may also receive a financial gift. "Fortune favours the brave", as the saying goes, so don't hesitate to make the most of the opportunities that spark your passion.

Jupiter

The planet Jupiter tells you about the opportunities and benefits that arise during the course of the year. Good news, new prospects and a sense of well being are associated with this beneficial planet.

Jupiter is in the 11th House

There's a popular song that has a line "I'll get by with a little help from my friends", and this could be your theme song this year. You've the ability to attract many true and fortunate friends this year, some who hold prominent positions in society. Your friends do their best to support you emotionally, and perhaps even financially, so that you can achieve your life goals. This is fortunate because you've high hopes of achieving success in your life. You're popular amongst your friends, a real social success, and the resulting benefits are considerable. You also like to belong to groups of like-minded people, and these associations can also prove beneficial. Whether you realise it or not, your optimism and cheerfulness are an inspiration to your friends, and they too can benefit from their association with you. It is possible that you enjoy an adventure or two with your friends this year, venturing in to new places, activities and situations. Social clubs, support groups, schools, and community organizations may appeal to you, expanding your horizons in ways you hadn't thought possible. This is your chance to explore your hopes, dreams and wishes, and surround yourself with associates who support your dreams.

Jupiter is Sextile The Midheaven

The planet of growth is placed prominently in your birthday chart indicating that progress is currently a major theme. This is your year for being in the right place at the right time when it comes to career and marriage. Follow your intuition and you are likely to find lady luck keeps turning up opportunities for you to achieve your career goals, and advance your marital status. If you are single then you could meet a person who turns your life upside down, in the nicest possible way. This is a “heart beating”, “must marry this person” type of feeling on a first meeting. If you are married then you are likely to experience a renewed sense of hope, faith and love in your marriage. Together you can conquer the world. You may travel together, or share a life-changing experience. If you are living a solitary life, then you are also likely to travel this year through some connection with your work, or perhaps to witness a loved one's wedding ceremony. Whether you are single or married, your career is likely to advance in leaps and bounds, as long as you have laid the groundwork.

Saturn

Timing is an important aspect of life. People often comment on being in the right place at the right time. The planet Saturn can support us when it comes to timing. Is the time right to take up a new venture, or would we be better advised to shoulder our current responsibilities for a little longer? These are the types of questions that the nature of the planet Saturn can reveal when reading a Solar Return chart.

Saturn is in the 3rd House

You are more likely to be concentrating on work rather than pleasure this year. This could be because of a project that demands concentrated physical or mental effort, such as a research, writing, policy planning, building, sports or gym work, or it could be because you have significant decisions to make. It is also possible that past decisions are catching up with you, as you realize the consequences of verbal or written interactions in recent times. Likewise, you are learning that sometime silence is golden and at others it is detrimental. Alternatively you may be overburdened by too many tasks. You may have to work for extended periods in your own company, and at times suffer from mental fatigue. It is time to learn from past mistakes, learn new skills and honour current commitments. If you do this then you have the mental discipline to honour your obligations and gain the respect of those around you. However, you need to be aware that this year it is likely that your social interactions with other people are much fun. You are more likely to be restricted, perhaps even a little lonely, while you concentrate on learning your own lessons and the tasks at hand. Your commitments may demand that you travel away from home, and hence your social life is likely to suffer. On the other hand you may be preoccupied with one or more life important decisions. You may have some tough choices to make in either your professional and private life. Perhaps you are considering making an important promise to someone, such as a betrothal or a decision to have a child, or perhaps you are deciding to end an association. Whatever the scenario in your life, you are reassessing options in one or more areas of your life, and making firm resolutions. You would be well advised to keep your own counsel, rather than confide in all and sundry. It may feel like you are stifling your own voice, but this could have benefits in the future. Perhaps you could consult an expert to help you through this stage of your life, however; you should not rush any major decisions. Take your time, consider the consequences, plan your strategy and then state your case.

THIS YEAR'S JOURNEY



"Sow a thought, and you reap an act;/ Sow an act, and you reap a habit;/ Sow a habit, and you reap a character;/ Sow a character, and you reap a destiny."

-- Charles Reader Modern Author

Neptune

The planet Neptune represents all that is ethereal in our world, and challenges us to develop qualities such as faith, hope and love even in the face of adversity. Under the influence of Neptune we can soar to great inspirational heights, however; if we are not careful then we can also sink into despair and disillusionment. The test is to look beyond the superficial and find meaning in our lives. The planet Neptune in our annual chart can indicate where to look.

Neptune is in the 7th House

Your attitude to love and marriage is changing in subtle but irrefutable ways. This could be because you are about to make a major commitment, or because your partner is undergoing changes that have implications for your life. Whether you are single, casually involved, or in a committed partnership, the time has come to ponder on love, marriage and your life. In particular it is time for you to renew your faith and hope in the power of love. Whether you choose to live a solitary life, or one intimately connected to a significant other, this year you need to open your heart and find true love. This process may be a lengthy one in which you need to find time to ponder on past relationships, and truly let go of any pervading bitterness. You may need to also say farewell to a current love, if you feel that the relationship waters are too murky. Depending on your age and your relationship history, perhaps you need to heal some of the fears that you have about being hurt by an intimate relationship. In her book, "The Age of Miracles", author Marianne Williamson says, *"Connection with a lover is intoxicating because it reminds us of our union with God; separation is so devastating because it reminds us of what it feels like to be separate from him."* This subtle subconscious motivation empowers the bliss of love, but it also triggers the fear of abandonment and the pain of losing love. This is your year to transcend your personal relationship fears and to reconnect with love of God. This may involve dissolving expectations of other people - your partner, your ex-lovers, your parents and society in general. It is also necessary to practise the art of forgiveness. It is time to forgive, not forget, the hurts and wrongdoings experienced in relationships with your loved ones. If you are currently intimately involved with a lover or partner then you may be changing the way that you view your beloved in subtle ways. As you heal the past and emerge as person seeking true love, then you are likely to either fall deeper in love with your partner, or perhaps the sorrowful realisation dawns that your current partnership is to be dissolved. Your insights may also be applied to any

business partnerships, or political alliances that you are involved with. You seek mergers that bring joy and meaning to your life, rather than those who might be undermining your sense of self-worth. During the course of this year you may also discover a need to share your insights with other people. As a result you may explore the possibilities of becoming a counsellor, spiritual healer or teacher, or perhaps you consult such experts. Ultimately this is your year to discover the meaning of love, whether this is through love and partnership, or as a result of a stronger union with God, or your higher self, depending on your beliefs.

The North Node

The Nodes highlight the areas of your year that are destined to occur no matter what you do. When you look back on your life you can see moments when the coincidences just seemed too uncanny - a chance meeting, a phone call out of the blue or an instant of being in the right place at the right time. The Nodes can give hints of which areas of your life are attracting the Fates attention right now.

The North Node is in the 4th House

Destiny plays its hand in your family and home this year. Changes may occur in your own home and family life, or you may meet or connect with others who are fated to become part of your life in a deeply personal way. Family members may come and go, and you may feel these changes at a deeply personal level. Your journey is one of discovering a sense of belonging, not just to a particular home or place, but also belonging in the bigger sense of the word. Where do you truly belong? Where do you feel safe? Where do you want to put down roots or do you want to be like tumbleweed roaming the earth with no physical abode, but with a strong spiritual connection? These are questions that are raised this year. Events and people are destined to help you answer some of them.

The North Node is Square The Ascendant

It is time for some tough decisions. It is likely that you are trying to force destiny's hand, by being determined to follow a particular path, having set your mind on a certain outcome in your job or home life. The time has come to face up to some truths from the path. You are now reaping what you have sown in the past. If you have been sowing seeds on fertile ground then you are likely to reap the rewards this year, with a few adjustments. If however, you have been wasting your resources in the past then you may have to consolidate and pay your debts. The good news is that once you let go of your previous expectations, take stock of your situation and make decisions, then you are back on track. You have freed the way for destiny to give you a helping hand.

Conclusion



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