

The Planets

Each planet governs a dimension of inner life. Sign = how that energy expresses. House = where in life it plays out.

	PLANET	GOVERNS	MEANING
	Sun	Core self & identity	Your conscious self — who you are and what you're here to express. Sign shows your essential character; house shows where your vitality is most alive.
	Moon	Emotions & inner needs	Your emotional body — instincts, needs, and inherited patterns. Governs how you feel safe and how you nurture. Changes signs every 2–3 days.
	Mercury	Mind & communication	How you think, speak, and make sense of the world. Shapes your communication style and learning patterns. Never more than one sign from the Sun.
	Venus	Love, beauty & values	What you desire and find beautiful. Governs love, pleasure, and self-worth — what you move toward and what you value deeply.
	Mars	Drive, desire & action	Your raw energy and will to act. Shows how you pursue what you want, handle conflict, and where your ambition is strongest.
	Jupiter	Expansion & meaning	The planet of abundance and big-picture thinking. Expands whatever it touches. Its house shows where you tend to be lucky and grow most easily.
	Saturn	Structure & mastery	Time, discipline, and hard-won authority. Shows where you face limitation and build lasting strength. Its return at ~29 is a major life milestone.
	Uranus	Revolution & liberation	Sudden change, originality, and collective awakening. Disrupts to liberate. Spends ~7 years in each sign — house placement is most personal.
	Neptune	Dreams & dissolution	Spirituality, imagination, and blurred boundaries. Its house shows where you seek transcendence and must discern vision from escapism.
	Pluto	Transformation & power	Deep transformation, power, and regeneration. Governs death and rebirth — the endings that make way for new chapters. 12–30 years in each sign.
	Chiron	The wound & the healer	Your deepest wound — and greatest gift. The wound often never fully closes, but becomes a profound source of healing for others.
	North Node	Soul's direction	A mathematical point marking the soul's path. South Node = what you know innately. North Node = unfamiliar territory you're called to grow toward.

The 12 Houses

Houses divide the chart wheel into 12 areas of life. Planets in a house activate that life area.

#	THEME	DOMAIN	MEANING
1	Self & first impressions	Identity · body · appearance	The self as it enters the world. Its cusp is the Ascendant (Rising sign) — shaped by your exact birth time and location.
2	Resources & self-worth	Money · possessions · values	Everything you own — including your sense of your own worth. Material security, income, and what you truly value.
3	Communication & local world	Mind · siblings · writing · short travel	Your immediate environment — how you communicate, think, and relate to your local community and siblings.
4	Home & roots	Family · ancestry · private self	The foundation of everything. Home, family of origin, roots. Its cusp is the IC — the most hidden point in the chart.
5	Creativity & joy	Play · romance · children · expression	Life as art and play. Creative self-expression, romance, children, and what you do for the pure joy of it.
6	Health & daily service	Routines · body · work · healing	The daily practice of being alive — routines, health, day-to-day work, and consistent acts of service.
7	Partnership	Marriage · contracts · one-to-one	The mirror — what you seek in others. Committed partnerships, contracts, and the qualities you attract in close relationship.
8	Transformation & depth	Shared resources · death · intimacy	What we share — bodies, finances, power, and grief. Deep intimacy and transformation through loss or change.
9	Meaning & expansion	Philosophy · travel · higher learning	Reaching beyond the known — long travel, universities, religion, philosophy, and the search for big-picture meaning.
10	Vocation & public self	Career · reputation · legacy	The most visible point. Its cusp is the Midheaven (MC) — your public role, career, and what you are known for.
11	Community & vision	Friends · groups · collective hopes	Where individual vision meets collective purpose. Friendships, communities, causes, and your dreams for the future.
12	The hidden realm	Unconscious · solitude · spiritual depth	The interior world — dreams, the unconscious, and hidden strength. What is concealed and must be integrated for wholeness.

The 12 Zodiac Signs

Signs describe the quality of energy — the how, not the what. Each belongs to an element and a mode.

 Aries 21 Mar - 19 Apr Fire · Cardinal · Mars Initiative, courage, impulse. The spark that sets everything in motion. Leads with instinct and burns bright.	 Taurus 20 Apr - 20 May Earth · Fixed · Venus Stability, sensuality, loyalty. Builds slowly and keeps what it builds. Finds the sacred in the physical.	 Gemini 21 May - 20 Jun Air · Mutable · Mercury Curiosity, duality, connection. The mind in motion — quick, versatile, a natural bridge-builder between worlds.
 Cancer 21 Jun - 22 Jul Water · Cardinal · Moon Nurture, memory, intuition. Creates belonging for others. The shell is armour for a deeply tender heart.	 Leo 23 Jul - 22 Aug Fire · Fixed · Sun Creativity, generosity, radiance. Shines from the heart — not for ego, but because it has something genuine to give.	 Virgo 23 Aug - 22 Sep Earth · Mutable · Mercury Discernment, service, refinement. Notices what others miss. Devoted to improvement and in service to something larger.
 Libra 23 Sep - 22 Oct Air · Cardinal · Venus Balance, beauty, justice. Seeks equilibrium in all things — sometimes to the point of losing its own position.	 Scorpio 23 Oct - 21 Nov Water · Fixed · Pluto/Mars Depth, transformation, truth. Moves beneath the surface. Drawn to what is hidden — transformation is its native language.	 Sagittarius 22 Nov - 21 Dec Fire · Mutable · Jupiter Freedom, philosophy, expansion. Aims toward the horizon, hungry for meaning. Restless and optimistic by nature.
 Capricorn 22 Dec - 19 Jan Earth · Cardinal · Saturn Ambition, discipline, legacy. Builds for the long term. Authority earned through sustained effort and endurance.	 Aquarius 20 Jan - 18 Feb Air · Fixed · Uranus Innovation, vision, collective. Sees patterns in systems and imagines better ones. Oriented toward the future.	 Pisces 19 Feb - 20 Mar Water · Mutable · Neptune Compassion, mysticism, surrender. Lives at the edges of the visible world. Absorbs and feels everything.

Elements & Modes

Every sign combines an element (what kind of energy) and a mode (how it moves through the world).

The four elements



Fire — spirit & will

Aries · Leo · Sagittarius

Animated by inspiration, vision, and the drive to create or lead. Move on instinct, need freedom to breathe. Shadow: burnout and recklessness.



Earth — matter & form

Taurus · Virgo · Capricorn

Work in the realm of the physical — body, money, land, craft. Build what lasts and find meaning in tangible results. Shadow: rigidity and over-attachment to security.



Air — mind & connection

Gemini · Libra · Aquarius

Live in the realm of ideas, language, and relationship. Thrive on exchange and synthesis. Shadow: detachment, living in the head at the expense of the body.



Water — soul & feeling

Cancer · Scorpio · Pisces

Navigate by feeling, intuition, and emotional depth. Absorb the atmosphere of a room. Shadow: over-absorbing others' pain and losing self in relationship.

The three modes

Cardinal — initiates

Aries · Cancer · Libra · Capricorn

Begin things. Carry the energy of a season's start — driven to launch, lead, and set things in motion. Strong in initiation; can struggle with follow-through.

Fixed — sustains

Taurus · Leo · Scorpio · Aquarius

Hold the heart of a season. Determined, loyal, built for endurance. Gift: reliability and depth. Shadow: stubbornness and resistance to necessary change.

Mutable — adapts

Gemini · Virgo · Sagittarius · Pisces

Close a season and prepare for the next. Flexible, synthesising, comfortable with change. Gift: adaptability. Challenge: finding solid ground.