## blame it on the stars



ARIES (21 Mar-20 April) Money isn't the game, it's a way of keeping score. The game is knowing yourself and relating that energy to the world. Real power lies in relationships and real wealth is the number of people who return your calls. Raise the quality of your motives and recognize interests other than your own. Ask yourself this: if all things are one thing, who are we bumping heads with?



TAURUS (21 April-20 May) Diplomacy isn't always your strong suit, this month is a pleasant fluke. Use the harmony. Expect a stone to fall in the calm pond of your work. Study the ripples and, calmly and slowly, decide whether this is really your pond. Count on being misinformed, separate truth from data. Your intuition may see matters more clearly than your heart or your mind.



GEMINI (21 May-20 June) Lots of fun. An opportunity to turn vague dissillusionment into a force for positive change. The need for it will be clear. Reexamine assumptions, reevalute important relationships, kick yourself in the rear. Find clarity in the confusion, separate pearls from pebbles, bring honesty to every emotional circuit. Power is afoot and the seeds you're planting are



CANCER (21 June-22 July) Short walks up long sand dunes. A perfect month to practice perseverance and celebrate the joys of small successes. To endure, partnership must be a pairing of equals and financial dependence is always bad juju. Float your own boat, let events schedule themselves, and be impatient about nothing. Keep your instrument tuned, listen for the beat, be ready to play.



LEO (23 July-22 August) The fires burn bright. Surface features bore you, depth and intensity as opposed to the life half lived. Revel in obsession, romp with raw power, fall in love with your work: from which, should you play your cards right, new blessings can flow. Acknowledge magic, be overwhelmed by simple pleasures, warm the rooms you're in. When in doubt, be who and what you are.



VIRGO (23 August-22 Sept) You're firing on all cylinders: the adorable manic transforming the world, detail by detail. Much of the transformation is internal. Old habits to change, new bridges to build, fires to lay in new hearths. Good stuff. Whatever you do, function on your own. It's not the time to count on other people to hold the ladder. No fault, no blame, just what it is.

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LIBRA (23 Sept-22 Oct) Your balancing act is much in demand. Much scurrying about, many ducks to get in a row: one of them, a large one, could be a close relationship. You could find yourself waffling about commitment. Listen to your heart and feel for the calm spots. Timing is everything and nothing is rewarded like persistence, good judgment and an ear for



SCORPIO (23 Oct-22 Nov) The balance between pleasant company and the wish to be left alone. The trick is to pursue both without lust for result. Focus on details and the roadblock it's no longer possible to ignore. No problems, only challenges. Spend time with your own people, leave no doubts how you feel. A little mystery is good, too much and even interested people give up.



SAGITTARIUS (23 Nov-21 Dec) If this month were a poker game, someone would accuse you of cheating. Luck has nothing to do with it. If you know who you are, and your heart is good, and the path you've chosen you chose for fun not profit, how can you lose? Bet on any horse that pleases you, assuming it has all four legs. In between times, shower those you love with love.



CAPRICORN (22 Dec-19 Jan) A power month, made much more fun if you stop beating your shortcomings. Tend to inner business, give your fears something to reckon with, pat your imperfections on the head and get back to perfecting yourself. And then, the outside work. Much can be accomplished. The flow is better if you work alone, or at least privately. Watch the gauges.



AQUARIUS (20 Jan-18 Feb) The proverbial 'ten pounds in an eight pound bag'. Much energy, much juju, nearly all of it good. One must never behave like a nitwit, fail to help others when we can, or confuse a night to remember with the morning to come. Through the lighthearted madcappery, keep wondering how whatever it is you do could be done better, more easily, and faster.



PISCES (19 Feb-20 March) You draw events to you like iron filings to the horseshoe magnet of your karma. Big events this month, some of them a little scary. Been scared before, haven't you? Still here, right? Unlikely as it seems, you make sound decisions, reap the naughty, windblown contentment you so richly deserve, and wind up feeling pretty damed good. And really tired.

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