

Your Year or Month Soul Guide

As the planets move through the heavens on their orbits they form angular associations (Transits) with the positions they occupied when you were born. This report offers interpretations of their influence and apparent affects, together with the information and inspiration that will help you to understand their significance in your life, and to make the most of them.

Understanding your report

Your Year or Month Guide is therefore a representation of how the planets, as they move, are influencing the planets and points in your Birth Chart and shows *Keyphrases* and *Theme*, along with the *Possible encounters*.

Repeating waves of influence appear as repeated paragraphs in the interpretations, this is natural and will occur over time.

Timing - influences can be felt for some days or even months before or after the given dates, You should also bear in mind that the accuracy of your given birth time can greatly affect the timing of the interpretations, especially to your Ascendant or Midheaven.

Important

If yours is an unknown birth time, then disregard altogether paragraphs relating to your Ascendant, Midheaven and Moon, for these would only be reliable if you just happen to have been to have been born around noon.

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From about: 1 Oct 2011 to about: 18 Feb 2012

**Uranus Square Venus*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your relevant strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: Awakening Love/Beauty - Disrupting Relationships - Changing Values

Theme: Forced or renewed awareness of your *Venus Profile*, through the manner of your social or artistic expression being radically altered.

You now attract or are attracted to anything or anyone that gives you a stronger sense of emotional satisfaction. If current involvements or pursuits are alive to change and experimentation, then you will get the best out of this influence. Existing relationships can have new life breathed into them; new relationships, which are very likely to happen now, are the breath of life itself, and are in aid of getting you in touch with relating freely and honestly.

As such, you find yourself drawn not to your usual type, for this gives you a sharper and fresher sense of yourself as a lover or social being. You would do well to appreciate Kahlil Gibran's injunction concerning love between two people: 'Let the winds of the heavens dance between you'.

If you are stuck in any kind of rut socially or romantically, morally or artistically, then be ready for something to shake you out of your complacency - such as you or your partner being drawn to someone or something else. But the more you go to meet this transitional period with an awareness that life, significant others, and you yourself are worth more than you presently think, then you will ultimately be pleasantly surprised.

Yet passing through this phase wondering what you're doing and who you're doing it with, would be an unavoidable part of your redefining and coming to terms with both your true sense of what brings you and others happiness, and a individual moral code that allows you to do so. This should be a time of stimulating, although not particularly stable, relationships, and of original expression and experience.

Possible Encounters: Liberating Relationships - Short-lasting Affairs - Divorce

From about: 1 Oct 2011 to about: 19 Nov 2011

**Uranus Trine Mercury*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Awakening Perception - Original Methods and Ideas

Theme: Opportunities to make original use of your *Mercury Profile*, through discovering different ways of thinking.

Your mind now is more lively than usual, so you make connections and associations between one thing and another that enable you to see the pattern of life more clearly. You are also drawn towards alternative or metaphysical subjects such as astrology, magic, yoga, etc. It is a auspicious time to pursue any new mental discipline for your intellectual cogs are well-oiled right now.

Unusual ways of coping with problems present themselves; indeed, an unlikely solution may be the only one that works. Being free to think your own thoughts - and to enjoy the free-thinking of others - is a virtue of this influence that is its own reward. A fresh outlook, mentally or physically, paves the way to your future.

Possible Encounters: Surprise News - Stimulating Company and Journeys

From about: 1 Oct 2011 to about: 13 Oct 2011

**Jupiter Opposition Neptune*

Significance: This is a strong influence, and usually attracts confrontations that in turn increase your awareness of the matter concerned.

Keyphrases: Increased Sensitivity - Exaggerated Compassion - Questionableness

Theme: Forced emphasis upon your *Neptune Profile*, giving rise to a greater sense of what compassion and understanding really mean.

The possibility of contacting your ideals, and the sensitivity that goes with them, is great now. But then so is the challenge to express them, and to come to terms with any misunderstandings that have occurred because of sensitive spots in yourself and others not being properly looked at.

For this is a time when all such issues are put under the magnifying glass, and great honesty and discrimination has to be exercised in order that you may avoid being taken for a ride, feeling excessively disillusioned, or simply wasting your time and energy with misplaced sympathy. You have to make sure that your good intentions are not merely disguising your own emotional wounds.

Possible Encounters: False Hopes - Charlatans - Do-gooders - The Nature of the Sublime

From about: 1 Oct 2011 to about: 13 Oct 2011

**Saturn Sextile Midheaven*

Significance: This is a mild influence, and you probably need to apply some conscious effort in order to reap its benefits.

Keyphrases: Consolidating Ambitions - Recognition of Status

Theme: Opportunities to stabilize your *Midheaven Profile*, through feeling aware of your rightful place in the world, and able to work steadily towards it.

You now have a definite intention to make your position firm in the material world, not only professionally, but also where you stand on the domestic front. And so you are likely to create a procedure whereby you are able to achieve your ends in a disciplined and regular fashion. If you work on your own, then you keep to a schedule more than you usually do. If you work for someone else, you find it easier to keep time and meet deadlines.

In either case, people in positions of influence or superiority are liable to recognize your worth and efforts, and are therefore willing to assist you. The only drawback could be one of keeping too strictly to your work-plan, with the result that it limits your goals rather than serves them, and causes you to overlook whether or not you actually like what you're striving towards. So deliberately incorporate some flexibility and freedom of choice into your schedule and then progress will be happily achieved.

Possible Encounters: Advancement - Sense of Reality - Genuine Authority

From about: 7 Oct 2011 to about: 25 Oct 2011

**Jupiter Trine Pluto*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Positive Changes - Increasing Insight - Mounting Influence

Theme: Opportunities to make more of your *Pluto Profile*, through experiencing a stronger sense of wealth and power.

Generally, this is a time when you can improve anything that needs improving. The secret is to approach and launch any such endeavours in a spirit of everyone benefiting from them; you then find that 'the more you give, the more you get' is in fact a Law of the Universe rather than just a nice idea. You also notice during this period that the world itself is more alive to this Law - and is all the more so for your personally taking advantage of it.

Possible Encounters: Favours - Regeneration - Gains - Support from High Places

From about: 13 Oct 2011 to about: 6 Feb 2012

**Uranus Sextile Jupiter*

Significance: This is a mild influence, and you probably need to apply some conscious effort in order to reap its benefits.

Keyphrases: Awakening Faith - Quickening Understanding - Reaching Further

Theme: Opportunities to better express your *Jupiter Profile*, though strokes of good luck, and being able to see the bright side more easily.

During this period you can begin to realise that you are more free than you think you are. This may be quite obvious, or you may have to take a step back from whatever or whoever you are involved with in order to appreciate this.

In any event, you are unlikely to become unstuck by any harder influences that are presently around, for positive thinking or timely events will deliver you. This is a time when you could experience some outright good fortune - but if you are not used to this, you might have to open your eyes wider in order to spot it. Count your blessings now - for you have more than you think.

Possible Encounters: New Vistas - Joyful Individuals - Unusual Opportunities

From about: 13 Nov 2011 to about: 6 Jan 2012

**Uranus Sextile Moon*

Significance: This is a mild influence, and you probably need to apply some conscious effort in order to reap its benefits.

Keyphrases: Freedom from Conditioning - New Feelings - Leaving the Past Behind

Theme: Opportunities to make original use of your *Moon Profile* through a change of needs, habit, home, or in the way you experience family or femininity.

If you are thinking of taking a chance, now is the time to do so. It is also a time when any changes that you have set in motion begin to take effect, possibly quite suddenly. This is an excellent period for gaining a new and refreshing sense of yourself, and proclaiming a big HELLO to your future.

Your relationships with women, mother, and the female side of your life and personality generally, will now become lighter, more open and aware. Many shadows that have previously darkened your path through life may now be lifted by simply moving into the light of truth.

Possible Encounters: Close Friendships - Liberating People - New Horizons

From about: 19 Nov 2011 to about: 7 Dec 2011

**Saturn Sextile Uranus*

Significance: This is a mild influence, and you probably need to apply some conscious effort in order to reap its benefits.

Keyphrases: Stabilizing Changes - Establishing Freedom - Old Blends with New

Theme: Opportunities to be practical and objective with regard to your *Uranus Profile*, enabling you to incorporate the unusual or innovative into your life.

During this period, you are able to see how changes that begun a while ago, are now making sense in your life. Also, anything new that you wish to involve yourself with - from studying a novel subject to altering your appearance - you can now do without jarring others or feeling awkward yourself. You feel comfortable being your own person, and are able to express your idiosyncrasies confidently. Being true to yourself is no longer just an ideal, but patently practical.

Possible Encounters: Worthwhile Causes - Sound Ideas - Well-mixed Age-groups - New Solutions to Old Problems

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**Saturn Square Saturn*

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Keyphrases: The Test of Time - Progress Report - Ambitions versus Duties

Theme: Having to be practical and objective about matters relating to your *Saturn Profile*, which is in aid of making your material situation or attitude more sound.

You are going through a period when what you want to happen is measured against what is actually happening; what you are demanding of life against what life is demanding of you. This reckoning of your efforts will be seen more clearly in the light of other planetary influences that are occurring in and around this time. All being well, you will manage to meet both your own requirements and those of your circumstances, dependants or superiors - and soon find yourself in a better position. If however, more difficult influences are also prevailing during this time, then you will have to bite your lip, read the writing on the wall, and obey what it says.

Possible Encounters: Law and Order - Limitations/Real Strengths - Maturity/Elders

From about: 19 Nov 2011 to about: 19 Dec 2011

**Jupiter Sextile Venus*

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Keyphrases: Pleasant Gatherings - Attracting Joy and Prosperity - Happy Trails

Theme: Chances to make more of your *Venus Profile* through appreciating your capacity for giving and receiving love better.

This is all about the more you give the more you get. Whatever you have been investing in life, emotionally or financially, can bring about dividends now. And whatever you give out now is sure to breed happiness in the future - if or because you feel the generosity of Life itself flowing through you. You'll get the best out of this influence by fully appreciating its qualities rather than merely indulging in them, which can be the temptation. Spent well or squandered.

Possible Encounters: Romance - Bringers of Goodwill - Value for Money/Windfalls

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**Jupiter Square Mercury*

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Keyphrases: Thinking Big - Too Busy - Overlooking Details - Mind-Broadening

Theme: A powerful emphasis upon your *Mercury Profile*, when the best and the worst of your mental ability and attitude are in play.

Everything seems to happen at once now, which is fulfilling if you are organized and exasperating if you are not. Similarly, you have a more than usually broad perspective and overview of things at present, especially involving work or study programs - so you are able to plan ahead and achieve a great deal during this period. But if you wish to have the co-operation of others - or not feel let down by yourself - avoid getting carried away by enthusiasm, inflated expectations, or just plain arrogance. Also check the 'fine print'.

Possible Encounters: Mental Activity - Meetings and Journeys - Getting Deflated

From about: 25 Nov 2011 to about: 19 Jan 2012

**Pluto Trine Pluto*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Generational Regeneration - Power with Grace

Theme: Opportunities to tap into your *Pluto Profile*, through a better understanding of human potential.

You are carried along by the current, round a beneficial bend, in the 'River of Time'. Whatever else is presently occurring in your life can be enhanced or assisted by your going with this flow. Changes occurring around you harmonize with any that are taking place within you.

Possible Encounters: Global Improvements - Universal Developments

From about: 25 Nov 2011 to about: 25 Jan 2012

**Jupiter Square Jupiter*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your relevant strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: Increased Scope - Great or Inflated Expectations - Expanded Beliefs

Theme: Forced emphasis upon your *Jupiter Profile*, through expecting too much or too little from life and yourself.

This is really a chance to grow and expand, but how you read this has everything to do with how you manage and express it. Most likely, you experience a sense of abundance for some reason, be it real or notional. And so you go about spending this and promising that, and naturally, most people will be happy to go along with you.

But the danger of over-committing yourself and overestimating your luck is very real under this influence. Later on, you will have to pay for it. So the all too obvious advice here is to guard against excess, but stay in touch with that sense of joy and abundance, and the very real confidence that it can afford you.

Possible Encounters: Misappropriation - More Than Enough - Legal Difficulties

From about: 31 Dec 2011 to about: 24 Feb 2012

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Keyphrases: Awakening Perception - Original Methods and Ideas

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Possible Encounters: Surprise News - Stimulating Company and Journeys

From about: 6 Jan 2012 to about: 25 Jul 2012

**Pluto Sextile Neptune*

Significance: This is a mild influence, and you probably need to apply some conscious effort in order to reap its benefits.

Keyphrases: Deepening Spirituality - The Power of Acceptance

Theme: Opportunities to become more involved with your *Neptune Profile*, thanks to your age and experience.

Whatever lies beyond ordinary everyday occurrences, is what can appeal to your sensitivity now. The subtle movements and cycles of life are more meaningful to you, and so you are able to gain a perspective upon existence that allows you to appreciate the greater scheme of things, and how you and others fit into it. You find it easier to take all things in your stride.

Possible Encounters: The Mystical - The Transcendental - Peace

From about: 6 Jan 2012 to about: 1 Mar 2012

**Neptune Square Moon*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your relevant strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: Sensitising Feelings - Undermining False Security - Susceptibility

Theme: Enforced sensitisation of your *Moon Profile*, making it important that you make the distinction between fact and fancy, and that you adopt a more psychologically aware, or spiritually enlightened, view of life.

This is a time when many of your emotional weaknesses and blind spots become more acute. Positively, this gives you the opportunity to get a clearer picture of them through understanding that evasive responses born of childhood fears and insecurities are and have been giving you certain false impressions of what is actually happening. The major difficulty here is that it is this vulnerability that still makes it hard for you to look at how things actually are.

Consequently, this is a time when your reluctance to confront the truth can subject you to the very experiences that make you feel helpless or used. For example, any emotional involvement occurring or commencing during this period is prone to your trying to make it 'fit' your ideal; and the more you try, the more the comparatively harsh reality forces itself upon you. This is because your 'ideal' is actually a version of security that is acting as an anaesthetic for something that was missing or hurtful in your childhood.

The antidote for all of this quite painful stuff is firstly to recognize and then admit *This is a time when self honesty not only relieves but also enlightens*. But initially it will hurt. The next way that you can positively go with this period, is through your pursuing some very real ideal - rather than an illusory one. This influence makes you extremely open to the plights of everyone around you, and helping to relieve such conditions will channel your increased sensitivity correctly. But be very careful here as well, for you can attract all manner of hard luck story and lame duck, and they could suck you dry. Again this is your own unlooked-at wounds or misconceptions visiting themselves upon you through the demands and suggestions of others.

Your 'openness' at this time can also affect you physically, so guard vigorously against infection and any kind of toxin, including alcohol, drugs and bad foods. On the same account, and in order to create much-needed security now, maintain maximum order and hygiene in your home. Additionally, such openness will boost any existing or latent psychic sensitivity that you may have. Again, seek to balance this out with more concrete knowledge of how to use and manage this correctly: metaphysical texts and practitioners (healers) will help you here - but yet again, check out their credentials too!!! How you handle this part of your life sets a trend that will effect the emotional reality of the rest of your life.

Possible Encounters: Strange and Fast-changing Moods - Confidence Tricks(ers)

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From about: 18 Feb 2012 to about: 13 Apr 2012

**Neptune Trine Venus*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Higher Love - Artistic Inspiration - Fine Romance

Theme: Opportunities to tune into and enjoy the finer features of your *Venus Profile*, through attracting tender and inspiring people or situations.

This particularly soft and sweet influence stimulates your imagination - romantically, artistically, or both. You are able to perceive and experience the beauty and poignancy of life to a very fine degree. The classic manifestation of this period is a relationship that is extremely soulful - even to the point of not being physically

sexual.

This influence does not preclude physical intimacy, but its inherent idealism inclines either you or your partner, or both of you, to steer around anything that might diminish the refined and subtle nature of the feelings you have for one another. In effect, during this period, you are being made aware of the higher aspects of love, such as compassion and acceptance; and if you are active in some form of artistic expression, your creative flow is now more than usually strong and your imagination vivid.

Possible Encounters: Beautiful People or Places - Communion with Nature

From about: 24 Feb 2012 to about: 7 Mar 2012

**Jupiter Trine Pluto*

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Keyphrases: Positive Changes - Increasing Insight - Mounting Influence

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**Jupiter Opposition Neptune*

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Theme: Forced emphasis upon your *Neptune Profile*, giving rise to a greater sense of what compassion and understanding really mean.

The possibility of contacting your ideals, and the sensitivity that goes with them, is great now. But then so is the challenge to express them, and to come to terms with any misunderstandings that have occurred because of sensitive spots in yourself and others not being properly looked at.

For this is a time when all such issues are put under the magnifying glass, and great honesty and discrimination has to be exercised in order that you may avoid being taken for a ride, feeling excessively disillusioned, or simply wasting your time and energy with misplaced sympathy. You have to make sure that your good intentions are not merely disguising your own emotional wounds.

Possible Encounters: False Hopes - Charlatans - Do-gooders - The Nature of the Sublime

From about: 19 Mar 2012 to about: 1 Apr 2012

**Jupiter Square Sun*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your relevant strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: Increased Sense of Self - Full Life - Self-importance - Overextended

Theme: Forced emphasis on your *Sun Profile*, giving you a stronger sense of being alive - for better or worse.

If you are normally on the shy or self-effacing side, now is a good time to get more in touch with your self-esteem and sense of enterprise, or you will encounter an excess of the same qualities in others. If you are usually fairly (or apparently) confident, you could find yourself being overbearing, too busy - and unlucky, through expecting too much. In either case though, there should be an urge to expand - but how you gauge this is the critical issue.

Possible Encounters: Opportunities for Growth - Big Egos - Fat Chances - Joy

From about: 13 Apr 2012 to about: 13 May 2012

**Saturn Sextile Uranus*

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From about: 13 Apr 2012 to about: 13 May 2012

**Saturn Square Saturn*

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Keyphrases: The Test of Time - Progress Report - Ambitions versus Duties

Theme: Having to be practical and objective about matters relating to your *Saturn Profile*, which is in aid of making your material situation or attitude more sound.

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Possible Encounters: Law and Order - Limitations/Real Strengths - Maturity/Elders

From about: 13 Apr 2012 to about: 25 Apr 2012

**Jupiter Opposition Ascendant New Cycle*

Significance: This is a fairly strong influence. It energises the situation in hand and both forces and enables you to advance and grow.

Keyphrases: Improving Social or Love Life - Expanding your Viewpoint - New Hope

Theme: An over-emphasis upon your *Ascendant Profile*, thereby attracting people and situations that enable you to broaden your horizons, and to create mutual understanding. Start of a new 11-12 'Social-Furtherance Cycle'.

Now you have a green light to make more of yourself through enjoying a greater sense of social involvement. The obvious advantages of this are such things as getting out and about more, joining in with group, educational or sporting activities, and generally meeting types of people that are refreshingly different in some way.

You could well find yourself attracting someone in particular who plays the role of a teacher or guide in your life. For this reason it is also a good time to seek out professional advice, like lawyers, counsellors, etc, for they are more likely than usual to meet your needs successfully. Last, but by no means least, existing partnerships, or ones that begin now, are scheduled for growth.

On the one hand this means that together you have the opportunity to share and prosper together, and possibly do some travelling and exploring. On the other hand, this growth could create problems if one of you is reluctant to break new ground.

Suffice to say 'nothing ventured, nothing gained', and that ultimately you must follow and be true to what you believe is right - for even the friction created by feeling either pushed or limited by your partner will produce some form of realisation or understanding.

Possible Encounters: Opportune Ones - Empty Promises - A Full Life

From about: 25 Apr 2012 to about: 1 May 2012

**Jupiter Square Midheaven*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your current strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: Inflating Status - Increasing Ambition

Theme: A forced emphasis upon your *Midheaven Profile*, giving rise to a greater sense of professional or personal scope, but also an inclination to over-estimate your capabilities.

It is best to look upon this time as 'shot in the arm', which gives you that extra bit of confidence that you need to get on in life. But that's all it is: a leg up the ladder of life. If you go scrambling for fame or recognition, it might work, but it will definitely prove meteoric, with you coming crashing down not much later. Or you could find yourself spread too thinly, leaving personal as well as professional commitments unfulfilled. A push will get

you started now, but you'll need talent and persistence to keep going.

Possible Encounters: Bold Ventures - A Step Up - Fanciful Promises

From about: 7 May 2012 to about: 13 May 2012

**Jupiter Trine Mars*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Increased Drive - Confident Self-Assertion - Motivation and Initiative

Theme: Opportunities to make more of your *Mars Profile*, as a result of feeling encouraged to make something happen.

Because at this time you have an air of conviction and generosity, others can tune into it and are therefore willing to support or follow you. But the essential point to grasp is that initial sense of optimism, for this is the seed from which a chain reaction of encouragement and mutual advantage will grow. As soon as you act from this positive starting point, the world at large begins dancing to your tune - simply because it likes it!

Possible Encounters: Successful Launches - Sexual Adventures - Enthusiasm

From about: 19 May 2012 to about: 25 May 2012

**Jupiter Square Uranus*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your relevant strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: Belief versus Freedom - Increasingly Radical - Exaggerated Uniqueness

Theme: The forced emphasis of your *Uranus Profile*, through magnifying your desire to be true to yourself.

You feel that 'something's got to give', and if it doesn't then you'll make it do so! Whatever happens now is in aid of giving you a stronger sense of you as a one-off individual. This can mean being constantly pulled this way and that as your morals conflict with your urge to be free, or, for example, it might suddenly land you with the opportunity to do something entirely different.

Restlessness can be a particularly disruptive force in you right now, but you could more than satisfy such feelings through simply doing something that you'd never normally do. The pull or desirability of investing your time and energy in new ways of living and looking at life is strong now. Such involvements can act as a springboard into a fresh chapter in your life, where the world is more your oyster than ever it was before.

Possible Encounters: Unexpected Chances - Significant Coincidences - Release of Tension

From about: 19 May 2012 to about: 25 May 2012

**Jupiter Trine Saturn*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Increasing Order - Alleviating Difficulties - Improving Status

Theme: Opportunities to appreciate you *Saturn Profile*, through creating a balance between vision and caution.

Whether or not more hectic or exciting planetary influences are around now, this one provides you with a sense of equilibrium and of the value of sobriety. You recognize and accept where your duties lie, and consequently go about performing them in a measured and matter-of-fact fashion. Anything that requires you to be serious or solitary, can be confidently undertaken now. At the very least, this period will help you to accept reality more.

Possible Encounters: Happy Responsibilities - Clear Objectives - Practical Solutions

From about: 6 Jun 2012 to about: 19 Jun 2012

**Jupiter Conjunct Moon New Cycle*

Significance: This is a very strong influence. It energises the situation in hand and both forces and enables you to advance and grow.

Keyphrases: Buoyant Emotions - Exaggerated Feelings - Increased Security

Theme: Powerful emphasis upon your *Moon Profile*, giving you a stronger sense of how you feel and how you behave. Start of a new 11-12 year 'Belief-in-Belonging Cycle'.

You are liable to get carried away by the mood of the moment at present; so a lot depends upon what is currently preoccupying you. If you are stressed, then count to ten, for you could make a mountain out of a molehill - but then you shouldn't miss this opportunity to get in touch with your emotions. On the other hand, harmonious circumstances (indicated by other planetary influences) will allow you to feel very much a part of your surroundings, feeling closer than ever to others - especially family members and loved ones.

However, make sure that such people do not absorb too much of your psychic energy. All in all, this is a time to start putting your truest emotions on the map, understanding past influences, and setting a positive trend for future security.

Possible Encounters: Sentimentality - Reconciliation - Over-reactions - Mothering

From about: 13 Jun 2012 to about: 19 Jun 2012

**Jupiter Trine Jupiter*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Positive Thinking - Philanthropic Plans - Increased Scope

Theme: Chances to make more of your *Jupiter Profile* through simply trusting in your beliefs.

If things are going well right now, this will make them go better - or you could just sit back and coast for a while. If matters are difficult, this period can attract some much needed luck or help. It also favours travelling and studying. You are able to see more and see further, so this is a good time to make plans, or put them forward. Whatever your circumstances, you should feel that someone up there loves you!

Possible Encounters: Financial or Legal Ease - Optimism - Goodwill - Prestige

From about: 13 Jun 2012 to about: 25 Jun 2012

**Jupiter Sextile Mercury*

Significance: This is a mild influence, and you probably need to apply some conscious effort in order to reap its benefits.

Keyphrases: Increased Knowledge - Seeing Ahead - Happy Talk - Work Improvement

Theme: Chances to make more of your *Mercury Profile* through better understanding and increased use of your intellectual potentials.

Any kind of negotiation or strategy can be successfully accomplished or devised under this influence. So if there is a point you wish to grasp or convey, a subject you'd like to know more about, a journey to make, or a position you want - then now is the time to go for it. This is mainly because during this period you have the maximum number of facts at your fingertips, plenty of ideas, and a winning way about you.

Possible Encounters: Job Opportunities - Further Education - Adventure Trips

From about: 7 Jul 2012 to about: 19 Jul 2012

**Jupiter Square Pluto*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your relevant strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: Power-Plays - Increased Ambition - Exaggerated Fears or Obsessions

Theme: Forced emphasis upon your *Pluto Profile*, in order that you appreciate the nature of power and hidden influences in your life.

One way or the other, now is a time when you get more in touch and involved with what needs changing and improving, and with the necessary force and will that can make this possible. But this can be rather like Aladdin and his Lamp, for the 'genie' of power and ambition that you summon up may well turn against you - however well-intentioned you thought you were.

Therefore be ruthlessly honest and careful about your motivation to gain any particular position or object, because the desire to serve the whole rather than just yourself is the only motivation that will truly justify, and indeed guide, your actions now. If your intentions are not honourable, then things could blow up in your face. On the other hand though, avoid being falsely modest, for this would cause you to miss out on the opportunity that is presently in the air.

Possible Encounters: Provocation/Confrontation - Crises of Opinion - Legal Conflicts

From about: 13 Jul 2012 to about: 30 Sep 2012

**Pluto Trine Pluto*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Generational Regeneration - Power with Grace

Theme: Opportunities to tap into your *Pluto Profile*, through a better understanding of human potential.

You are carried along by the current, round a beneficial bend, in the 'River of Time'. Whatever else is presently

occurring in your life can be enhanced or assisted by your going with this flow. Changes occurring around you harmonize with any that are taking place within you.

Possible Encounters: Global Improvements - Universal Developments

From about: 25 Jul 2012 to about: 30 Sep 2012

**Neptune Trine Venus*

Significance: This is a medium-strength influence that allows you to make progress with relative ease and support. It rewards past efforts.

Keyphrases: Higher Love - Artistic Inspiration - Fine Romance

Theme: Opportunities to tune into and enjoy the finer features of your *Venus Profile*, through attracting tender and inspiring people or situations.

This particularly soft and sweet influence stimulates your imagination - romantically, artistically, or both. You are able to perceive and experience the beauty and poignancy of life to a very fine degree. The classic manifestation of this period is a relationship that is extremely soulful - even to the point of not being physically sexual.

This influence does not preclude physical intimacy, but its inherent idealism inclines either you or your partner, or both of you, to steer around anything that might diminish the refined and subtle nature of the feelings you have for one another. In effect, during this period, you are being made aware of the higher aspects of love, such as compassion and acceptance; and if you are active in some form of artistic expression, your creative flow is now more than usually strong and your imagination vivid.

Possible Encounters: Beautiful People or Places - Communion with Nature

From about: 6 Aug 2012 to about: 31 Aug 2012

**Saturn Sextile Uranus*

Significance: This is a mild influence, and you probably need to apply some conscious effort in order to reap its benefits.

Keyphrases: Stabilizing Changes - Establishing Freedom - Old Blends with New

Theme: Opportunities to be practical and objective with regard to your *Uranus Profile*, enabling you to incorporate the unusual or innovative into your life.

During this period, you are able to see how changes that begun a while ago, are now making sense in your life. Also, anything new that you wish to involve yourself with - from studying a novel subject to altering your appearance - you can now do without jarring others or feeling awkward yourself. You feel comfortable being your own person, and are able to express your idiosyncrasies confidently. Being true to yourself is no longer just an ideal, but patently practical.

Possible Encounters: Worthwhile Causes - Sound Ideas - Well-mixed Age-groups - New Solutions to Old Problems

From about: 6 Aug 2012 to about: 31 Aug 2012

**Saturn Square Saturn*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your current strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: The Test of Time - Progress Report - Ambitions versus Duties

Theme: Having to be practical and objective about matters relating to your *Saturn Profile*, which is in aid of making your material situation or attitude more sound.

You are going through a period when what you want to happen is measured against what is actually happening; what you are demanding of life against what life is demanding of you. This reckoning of your efforts will be seen more clearly in the light of other planetary influences that are occurring in and around this time. All being well, you will manage to meet both your own requirements and those of your circumstances, dependants or superiors - and soon find yourself in a better position. If however, more difficult influences are also prevailing during this time, then you will have to bite your lip, read the writing on the wall, and obey what it says.

Possible Encounters: Law and Order - Limitations/Real Strengths - Maturity/Elders

From about: 6 Aug 2012 to about: 18 Aug 2012

**Jupiter Sextile Sun*

Significance: This is a mild influence, and you probably need to apply some conscious effort in order to reap its benefits.

Keyphrases: Return to Health - Lust for Life - Increased Will and Vitality

Theme: Opportunities to make more of your *Sun Profile*, through having a greater sense of being alive.

This is a very positive time for you - so make the most of it. Equally, do not waste it, for there can be an inclination to just cruise and then have nothing to show for it later. There is the probability of putting your life on a better footing - or at least, there will be a sense of things being all for the best ultimately. Anything that furthers you physically or mentally can be fruitfully embarked upon now.

Possible Encounters: Successful Launches - Happy Travels - Financial Gain

From about: 24 Sep 2012 to about: 30 Sep 2012

**Neptune Square Moon*

Significance: This is a strong to medium influence that challenges you to develop in proportion to your relevant strengths and weaknesses.

Keyphrases: Sensitising Feelings - Undermining False Security - Susceptibility

Theme: Enforced sensitisation of your *Moon Profile*, making it important that you make the distinction between fact and fancy, and that you adopt a more psychologically aware, or spiritually enlightened, view of life.

This is a time when many of your emotional weaknesses and blind spots become more acute. Positively, this gives you the opportunity to get a clearer picture of them through understanding that evasive responses born of childhood fears and insecurities are and have been giving you certain false impressions of what is actually happening. The major difficulty here is that it is this vulnerability that still makes it hard for you to look at how things actually are.

Consequently, this is a time when your reluctance to confront the truth can subject you to the very experiences that make you feel helpless or used. For example, any emotional involvement occurring or commencing during this period is prone to your trying to make it 'fit' your ideal; and the more you try, the more the comparatively harsh reality forces itself upon you. This is because your 'ideal' is actually a version of security that is acting as an anaesthetic for something that was missing or hurtful in your childhood.

The antidote for all of this quite painful stuff is firstly to recognize and then admit it *This is a time when self honesty not only relieves but also enlightens*. But initially it will hurt. The next way that you can positively go with this period, is through your pursuing some very real ideal - rather than an illusory one. This influence makes you extremely open to the plights of everyone around you, and helping to relieve such conditions will channel your increased sensitivity correctly. But be very careful here as well, for you can attract all manner of hard luck story and lame duck, and they could suck you dry. Again this is your own unlooked-at wounds or misconceptions visiting themselves upon you through the demands and suggestions of others.

Your 'openness' at this time can also affect you physically, so guard vigorously against infection and any kind of toxin, including alcohol, drugs and bad foods. On the same account, and in order to create much-needed security now, maintain maximum order and hygiene in your home. Additionally, such openness will boost any existing or latent psychic sensitivity that you may have. Again, seek to balance this out with more concrete knowledge of how to use and manage this correctly: metaphysical texts and practitioners (healers) will help you here - but yet again, check out their credentials too!!! How you handle this part of your life sets a trend that will effect the emotional reality of the rest of your life.

Possible Encounters: Strange and Fast-changing Moods - Confidence Tricks(ers)

Postscript

General ways of making good use of your Year or Month Guides

1. Quite apart from the actual Radix Planet(s) being transited at any given time, a predominant influence upon your life by a particular transiting Planet may be interpreted accordingly:

Pluto Transits - These are, or should be, life changing in a profound way. Pluto's influences are those of intensification, upheaval, elimination (of what is outworn), probing and deepening, purging, obsessing or concentrating, and are empowering or dis-empowering.

The best way to respond to Pluto is therefore through letting go of what or who you no longer need or is no longer there; getting more in touch with your deeper urges, feelings and fears; recognizing what or who is powerful in your life; and making the distinction between a positive expression of power and a negative one.

A Plutonian period in your life can be likened to a journey down and through, or an encounter with, the Underworld - that is, your deep subconscious mind. A Pluto Transit to one Radix Planet lasts around two to three years overall.

Neptune Transits - These are, or should be, life-changing in a subtle way. Neptune's influences are those of sensitisation, softening, mystification, fascination, temptation, inspiration, compassion, delusion, addiction, irritation, and are enlightening or undermining.

While very much under its influence - for Neptune is like a drug or gas, literally or metaphorically - you are advised to let things take their course without struggling or resisting too much, go with the flow, but at the same time avoid giving in to your weaknesses. Any pursuit that relieves, enlightens or entertains is a positive way of channelling

Neptune's influence - like healing, music, painting, writing, dancing, acting, any activities involving water, or that transcend the ego, like meditation, yoga, mysticism, etc. Most of all, an attitude of acceptance is appropriate.

A Neptunian period in your life can be likened to a voyage across or beneath, or an encounter with, the sea, attuning you to personal undercurrents or collective moods. A Neptune Transit to one Radix Planet lasts around two years overall.

Uranus Transits - These are, or should be, life changing in an unexpected way. Uranian influences are therefore those of revolution, rebellion, liberation, innovation, suddenness, explosiveness, originality, accident, co-incidence, and are awakening or disrupting and out of the ordinary.

The ideal way of responding to Uranus is with open-mindedness, a sense of experimentation, a willingness to look at things with alternative means that may well surprise or shock others, and by appreciating that you are receiving a message or an instruction from your unconscious, even though you might be unaware that such a thing could happen!

In effect then, Uranus is loosening up your idea of reality in order that you may adopt a more scientific, technological or esoteric overview of life processes. So a Uranian period in your life can be likened to flying or seeing the world from a higher vantage point. A Uranus Transit to one Radix Planet lasts around a year to eighteen months in all.

Saturn Transits - These are life stabilizing or life-testing in some way. Saturnian influences are therefore materially supportive or restrictive, consolidating or separative, firm or heavy, authoritative or oppressive, and are generally in aid of getting you organized and of making you aware of the status quo.

So it is advisable to meet Saturn with a sense of practicality, preparedness, matter-of-factness, a willingness to confront issues, and through using time as your instrument rather than being ruled by it. Saturn is about objectivity - which means to say that seeing things for what they are, and establishing and achieving your objectives, can and must be attended to, or begun to be so, under its influence.

A Saturnian period in your life is, or is like, an encounter with a figure of authority - and whether this is helpful or hindering, it is still in aid of your getting yourself together. A Saturn Transit to one Radix Planet lasts about a year overall.

Jupiter Transits - These are life-expanding or life-overdoing in some way. Jupiter's influences are therefore growth inducing or excessive, faith-inspiring or promising/expecting more than can be delivered, magnifying or exaggerating, and are generally in aid of showing you the bigger picture and how you fit into it, and how you can make more of yourself and life.

It is a good idea to meet Jupiter with a sense of enterprise, optimism and goodwill that is tempered with a sense of modesty and reality, and to keep an intuitive eye out for signs of where you are supposed to go next - for they will be there; and to cultivate enthusiasm for the overall feel of how things are developing, rather than attempting to prove logically or account for everything item by item.

A Jupiterian period in your life can be likened to having a sense, literally or symbolically, of being on life's highway, with the journeys, adventures, opportunities and destinations that this can lead to, and with the possible realisation that all is in aid of some sort of divine plan. A Jupiter Transit to one Radix Planet can be relatively fleeting or last overall for up to one year.

Month Guides Only:

Mars Transits - These are highly significant, especially when Conjoining, Squaring or Opposing a Radix Planet, because they can trigger the bigger, longer Transits described above, or they fire you up for good or ill. It has to be said that 'for ill' usually means losing one's temper, or someone losing theirs with you or near you. And so knowing your Mars Transits is vital if you wish to avoid or minimise conflagrations. This can also be crucial with regard to driving or sports, for you may be vulnerable to accident and injury during one of them

Mars Transits normally only last two to five days, but sometimes when the Planet goes 'stationary', or it transits a number of Radix planets in quick succession, you can have that hair-trigger energy around for up to a month. It cannot be emphasised enough how much knowing your Mars Transits can help you to prevent upsets and regrets, while enabling you to use that energy wisely and productively.

Venus Transits - These are mild and usually pleasant, creating harmony and ease. There can be an inclination to indulgence or indolence though! Venus Transits are fleeting unless the planet has gone 'stationary' when one will last up to ten days or so.

Mercury transits - These are not that dynamic, but can cause you to feel mentally sharper or more on edge - depending on the type of aspect and your own temperament. Mercury Transits are similar to Venus in duration.

Sun transits - These 'high-light' the quality of the planet in your chart that is being transited. The Transiting Sun is indicative of the prevailing life circumstances around you. It indicates whether or not this general current of events is in or out of harmony with you. Sun Transits always last two or three days.

2. Last but by no means least, you need at all times to be aware of the possibility of **Psychological Protection**. This is probably the most commonly confusing trait of human nature, for it is our inclination to live out unconsciously parts of ourselves through others - because we cannot accept them as coming from ourselves, as they seem either too bad or too good to be true.

So in this way, any Transit can manifest its influences in the life, character, dilemma, or creative expression of one person or many people apparently distinct from yourself - but not really. **Introjection**, or the taking back of one's projections is the major key to both self-awareness and the future of Humanity. So watch and wonder, perceive and ponder - and admit it.

'Transcan'

'Transcan' allows you to discover for yourself how any particular transit (in Year Guides only) relates to you very personally. For example, supposing you had Uranus Transiting your Mercury, then you would interpret this by linking the Uranus Keywords on the Left with the Mercury Keywords on the Right.

So for instance, you could be experiencing something that was Awakening your Perception of life but which also had a Disrupting effect upon the way you Work. Be imaginative and experimental with 'Transcan' and you'll tap into the dynamics of your life. Note: Words in "quotes" are recommended general responses to those transits.

Transiting Planets:

Pluto's influence when positive is *Regenerating*, when negative it is *Degenerating*. Key Response "Let Go".

Neptune's influence when positive is *Sensitising*, when negative it is *Undermining*. Key Response "Let It Be".

Uranus's influence when positive is *Awakening*, when negative it is *Disrupting*. Key Response "Loosen Up".

Saturn's influence when positive is *Stabilising*, when negative it is *Testing*. Key Response "Learn".

Jupiter's influence when positive is *Developing*, when negative it is *Exaggerating*. Key Response "Launch".

Radix Planets:

Sun being influenced affects *Life in General, Vitality, Will, Creativity*.

Moon being influenced affects *Feelings, Emotional Security, Care*.

Mercury being influenced affects *Perception, Reason, Communication, Work, Study*.

Venus being influenced affects *Love-Life, Art, Values, Pleasures, Money*.

Mars being influenced affects *Energy, Anger/Danger, Self-Assertion, Sex-Life*.

Jupiter being influenced affects *Plans, Morals, Beliefs, Opportunity, Enthusiasm*.

Saturn being influenced affects *Life-Order, Status, Material Security, Responsibility*.

Uranus being influenced affects *Freedom, Originality, Technology, Alternatives*.

Neptune being influenced affects *Sensitivity, Imagination, Illusion, Ideals*.

Pluto being influenced affects *Insight, Power, Obsessions, Destiny, Endings*.

Ascendant being influenced affects *Persona, Outlook, Relationships*.

Midheaven being influenced affects *Worldly Position - Home/Family Life*.

Discovering a clear direction in life

From reading your *Soul Guide*, I hope that you have been able to make the most out of any advantages and opportunities, and to learn and profit from any lessons or challenges that your planetary transits have presented you with along your life track.

Most of all, I would like to think that you have been able to sense that there is something about you and within you that is trying to get you or keep you on course with your true direction - often in spite of where you think you want to go!

The way I see it is this: Humanity has lost its way somewhat, and it is only through each one of us as individuals finding our way back to our true path that we as a species will do so as well.

There really is a rhyme and a reason to life - yours and mine. But I believe we have to look at life from a different perspective in order to perceive this. Astrology can provide you with this new perspective. *Lyn Birkbeck*.

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