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Natal Fixed Star Report

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On the day you were born, you not only gained the magic of your horoscope, you also gained the myths and meanings of a sky full of stars. Not all the stars, just those that formed links to your natal planets via what is called parans. By considering the star parans in your life you will be encountering a whole new (though very old) layer of myth and meaning to your chart. Welcome to your Stars.

Each star has a unique and wonderful pattern of visibility for any given place on earth. Some stars will be visible for a period in the night, yet later in the year they will fail to appear and be lost to the view of stargazers. Others will also rise or set at night, but instead of disappearing from view altogether, they will lose touch with the horizon and spend the whole night being visible in the starry sky. Yet both these sorts of stars will eventually return to rising or setting during the night, with each individual star doing so on a particular date of the year. However, there is also another set of stars that do not partake of this dance and are always visible, and never sink beneath the horizon, spending every night circling around the pole.

To the Egyptians the stars were deities and so these annual star patterns had strong religious significance. The never setting circumpolar stars were considered to be the Immortals for these are the deities that never died, the stars that never set. But the stars that rose or set during the course of the year were the deities who moved between the world of humans and the world of the Immortals, or the Underworld, the place the stars journeyed when they disappeared from view. These were the deities who communed with humans, the deities who were approachable and open to prayer.

Such stars would, according to their unique rhythm, reappear at set calendar dates. If they reappeared from the Underworld, they would rise just before, or with, the rising sun and be called the Heliacal Rising Star. This star was considered the ruling deity for a period of time until the next star in the annual cycle re-emerged from the Underworld. Or, if the star came back from the realm of the Immortals and once again touched the earth, they would appear to set just before, or with, the rising sun and be called the Heliacal Setting Star. This star can also be considered the ruling deity for a period of time until the next star in the cycle appears to descend from the Immortal realm. So important were these times of the return of a star that the Egyptians based their religious calendar around such events and built temples designed to capture the returning star's light onto the altar of the deity.

Thus, there will be at least two stars that rule the period of time and place in which you were born. One star will be the most recent to have returned from the Underworld and the other would have returned from the realm of the Immortals. Both stars have significance for you. Occasionally more than one star can return on the same day so some people will have more than one Heliacal Rising Star or more than one Heliacal Setting Star. These stars, and their meanings, are guiding principles in your life.

Your Heliacal Rising Star is:



Fomalhaut - The Watcher of the South

The need to be realistic concerning the admiration of others

This is the star that has been walking the path of the underworld and has now emerged to be visible in the world of humans. This star, the Heliacal Rising Star, is the star that you were born under and it will bear gifts to you from the land of your past, your family and your genetics. It is your gift, the jewel or the treasure, which your ancestors handed you at your birth. This star is a theme in your life; helps to build your philosophies, and can at times take on a vocational pulse.

This is one of the Royal Stars of Persia and all of them are quite unique, for each one seems to represent a trial or a temptation through which the individual must work before true success can be achieved. They form a rocky road with many potential pitfalls, or areas where the individual can fall from grace. They are represented in Christian mythology by the scene in the Bible where Christ is tempted by Satan. But they are not evil, they are simply the nemesis the individual must conquer. Fomalhaut contains a touch of the mystic, a sense of magic, and is based on high ideals or lofty visions. Being one of the Royal Stars, it contains charisma, and its version of this charisma is beauty or perfect harmony. This really is one of the stars of humanity as about 15% of people born in the northern hemisphere will have this star as their Heliacal Rising star. Its dreams and idealism are the dreams and idealism of humanity and, with this as your Heliacal Rising star, you will seek, in yourself, or in your beliefs, or in those you admire, great charisma or great artistic gifts. Yet your role, your journey, is to realise that even those you most admire still have clay feet. This fact should not destroy them in your eyes; rather you need to learn to separate the ideals and the beliefs from the people who carry or represent the message.

Your Heliacal Setting Star is:



Denebola - The Tail of the Lion

Pursuing an alternative life

This is the star that has been living amongst the immortals of the pole, and has now, at the time of your birth, returned to earth. This star is known as the Heliacal Setting Star and is a gift or treasure given to you from your spirit, from your immortal soul, from your daemon. This star represents goals that you reach for; vocations that motivate you, and the spiritual pathways that you seek. This star represents your doorway to the immortals, or your journey towards a fulfilled life. That which gives you the greatest happiness.

Denebola is linked to the mythology of the Nemean Lion, for just as the Nemean Lion was symbolic of the goddess worship still practiced in rural areas, this star indicates in some degree 'being out of step' or being out of the main stream of thought. Not conforming; living on the fringe. Denebola, therefore, adds an element of difference, seeing the world differently in some way. You will find that you hold different opinions to others, and that this will cause frustration. Awareness of this and listening to other opinions will be of benefit, not necessarily to change your mind but merely to enable you to understand other points of view. To have Denebola in such an important position on the day of your birth adds to your life this element of difference, seeing the world differently in some way. This may have very good results, or lead to a great deal of success, but generally this success will be on the edge of the establishment, out of step with the main point of view. Or it could have a more negative impact, implying that you are not open to the views of the collective and tend towards dictatorial attitudes. So with this star claiming the Sun on the day you were born your reflexes will be to move, think or act in a different direction from that of the establishment.

Stars that were on the Angles at the moment of your birth...

At the moment you were born the following star or stars were on your Cross of Matter. This is the cross made up of your Ascendant/Descendant axis and your MC/IC axis. Known also as the angles of a chart,

these four points are your connection between the spiritual, or cosmic, world and the physical world in which you live. A star on one of the angles acts like a filter or lens between the world of your spirit and the material world, the world of form, shape and expression. Such a star will have a strong influence on your lifestyle, and the daily unfolding of your physical, emotional, and financial life.



Markab - The Saddle of Pegasus

Physical and mental endurance and reliability

Markab is the saddle of Pegasus and represents great solidness and reliability, a point of steadiness or the power to maintain stability under pressure. This could be a beneficial contact, giving you leadership skills and the ability to handle crises; or it could twist the other way, and manifest as a certain stubbornness and a refusal to move or consider other options. With Markab on the angles at the moment of your birth, then your approach to problems or life's ups and downs is to stand firm as a rock. This could lead to stubbornness, but also it can give you great endurance.

Stars that are linked to your planets...

Stars form links or parans to your planets, via the angles of your chart. If a planet is at a key point of its daily movement, either Rising, Setting, Culminating or At the Bottom of the Sky, and at the same time a star is also at one of these key points in its daily movement, then the star is in paran to that planet. The angle that the star occupies also tells us the period of your life when the mythology of the star will be expressed. If the star is rising then it affects your youth, if culminating then the prime of your life, if setting the latter years, and if lower the star is a foundation, or summary statement concerning your life.

Only the visible planets are used in this report, as the outer planets are generational and do not have meaning at a personal level.

Some Stars are at a Phase of Curtailed Passage

Some of the stars that are in paran to your natal planets are in a stage of their cycle known as Curtailed Passage. These stars were visible in the night sky at sunset, and were still visible in the night sky at sunrise. These stars have therefore lost contact with the earth, as they are not seen to touch the horizon during the course of the night and are thought to be walking with the immortals, and are not open to the prayers of humans. In this situation the stars seem to express themselves in a more fated manner, and you will find it more difficult to deal with, or embrace, the themes of these stars in your life. Therefore, in this report, any star that is of Curtailed Passage should be read with these emphases in mind.

Some Stars are at a Phase of Arising and Lying Hidden

Some of the stars that are in paran to your natal planets are in a stage of their cycle known as Arising and Lying Hidden. These stars can at times be seen at the latitude of your birth, however, in this period of time they are not visible in the night sky at sunset, and will still not be visible in the night sky at sunrise. So these stars have lost contact with the earth, and have returned to the underworld, the land of the dead. In this situation the stars will express themselves in a more fated manner, as they are no longer concerned with the land of the living, and the Egyptians believed that they could no longer hear your prayers. Thus you will struggle with these stars, as their meanings and myths will be more powerfully and bluntly expressed in your life. In this report, any star that is in a phase of Arising and Lying Hidden should be read with this emphasis in mind.

Some Stars are Circumpolar

Some of the stars which are influencing your chart are circumpolar. This means that, for your birth location, they are visible every night, for the whole night, regardless of the time of the year. They are permanently in the realm of the immortals. These stars should be read with greater emphases for they have a tendency to express themselves in a more black and white manner due to their lack of contact with the ways of humans.

Stars of Your Youth

All of these stars are rising as they form a paran to a planet. Therefore, all of these stars will express themselves in your childhood and young adulthood. Simply put, these stars influence the first third of your life. With these stars shaping your childhood, they will have an impact on your parents, schooling and social skills, and in that manner can have a large impact on your whole life. These stars are:



Algol - The Head of the Beast, with Venus ♀ in Youth

Social reform; to be a victim or a saviour

Algol was called Ras al Ghul by the Arabs, which means the Head of the Demon, and they considered this female demon to be the wife of the Devil. Ptolemy labelled the star as 'the bright one of those in the Gorgon's head. The Chinese called the star Tseih She meaning Piled-up Corpses. In Talmudic Law she is the first wife of Adam, Lilith, who left him because she refused to be submissive to his needs. Lilith then fled Paradise and became a demon of the wind. She was considered a curse, as she contained sexual pleasure and was the cause of all male wet dreams. The resulting impact in the Jewish, Moslem and Christian cultures was the suppression of all male sexual pleasure, which then led to the oppression of the sexual woman. Algol thus embodied everything that men feared in the feminine. She is not the mother face of the goddess but rather the passionate lover or the whore. She is female kundalini energy. Algol is the wild, raw, frightening face of the outraged feminine, which has been labelled as demonic or simply as evil. This star contains immense female passion and power. It is the power of the feminine, or the potential power of Mother Nature, strong but not to be called evil. This star represents a strong consuming passion, which may devour you with anger and rage. If one can contain a conscious or unconscious compulsion to take revenge, and focus that passion into a more productive outcome, Algol is one of the most powerful stars in the sky. With Algol in paran to your Venus it will influence your social conscience, your responses in relationships, and your enjoyment of sensual and sexual pleasures. This star is intense, feminine, focused and determined. If active in your youth, then there would have been difficulties with the role model of woman/mother/wife as demonstrated within your family. If the star is active in your adult years then your personal life will reflect this Algol intensity, causing ups and downs. The star may also influence your career in that it can direct your focus into issues of social reform and social justice. Such reform issues may be unpopular, but this would not deter you from their path.



Alphard - The Heart of the Serpent, with Moon ☾ in Youth

A ruthless attitude to life, a passion for nature or one's own pursuits

Alphard carries symbolism of the great serpent, and at times it is a difficult star. Here is the Heart of the Serpent, which can easily be manifested in our turbulent world as violent, untamed energy and emotional outbursts. Nevertheless, to think of Alphard in this purely violent way is misleading, for the serpent, and thus its Heart, is only just re-emerging in the human psyche. When submerged in the unconscious, it can be murderous and violent in manifestation. However, its preferred expression is conscious passion. With Alphard in paran to your Moon, the intensity and possible ruthlessness of Alphard is interwoven with your approach to giving or receiving caring, compassion and empathy. If active in your youth then you may have had difficulties with receiving the love and nurturing you needed, or your mother may have

been a tragic figure. On a professional level, it will be concerned with nature and the environment, as well as other careers involving children, women's issues, health and welfare. Whatever its profession you will feel passionate about your work and seek the highest levels of personal perfection based on a feeling that your work is more of a vocation than a job. The one point that you need to keep in your awareness is that others may see your passion as a form of ruthlessness.



Deneb Algedi - The Ancient Law Giver, with Jupiter 4 in Youth

The reformer or expert who paves the way for others

With Deneb Algedi in paran with your Jupiter, the law-giving expression of this star is blended with the educational, inspirational and humanitarian concepts of Jupiter. This combination indicates that you have a desire to either educate, or improve the lives of other people. In striving for this you endeavour to lay a pathway for others to follow. This may be a strong influence in your career, or it may find expression in your hobbies or recreational pastimes. Nevertheless, no matter in what area of your life this paran manifests, it does give you a desire to inspire others and point them to a better way.



Fomalhaut - The Watcher of the South, with Sun ☉ in Youth

The artist, the idealist, the charismatic one who is vulnerable to hubris

This is one of the Royal Stars of Persia and all of them are quite unique, for each one seems to represent a trial or a temptation through which the individual must work before true success can be achieved. They form a rocky road with many potential pitfalls, or areas where the individual can fall from grace. They are represented in Christian mythology by the scene in the Bible where Christ is tempted by Satan. But they are not evil, they are simply the nemesis the individual must conquer. Fomalhaut contains a touch of the mystic, a sense of magic, and is based on high ideals or lofty visions. Being one of the Royal Stars, it contains charisma, and its version of this charisma is beauty or perfect harmony. With Fomalhaut in paran with your Sun you are seen as a person who has this charisma, or has this artistic, spiritual or idealistic theme in your personality. If the star is active in your childhood, then all of this symbolism may be reflected in your father-figure. He could have been idealistic, artistic, or a person who had fallen from grace due to his hubris. However, if Fomalhaut is active in your adult years, you will have an impact on people, convincing them to follow you. However, if ever you believe your own propaganda, or allow yourself to get carried away with the adulation of others, there is a painful falling from grace. On the other hand, you may project this star onto others and seek out those whom you can admire, only to be greatly disillusioned or even embittered when they fail you. Balance is the important point with this great and wonderful star. Admire others, admire yourself, but allow humanity to be present. Even the greatest person has physical or psychological failings.



Vega - Orpheus' Lyre, with Jupiter 4 in Youth

Obsessive problem solver, or obsessed with a grand idea

With Vega in paran with your Jupiter you can become obsessed with an idea, or a problem. For Vega, the alpha star of the Lyre, is a most beautiful and bright star, and through its connection to Orpheus and his lyre, is linked to magic and divine spells. It is full of charisma and talks of one who has been touched by the other world. The Greek myth of Orpheus is about a musician whose music could tame the wildest of animals, and in that sense Vega is the star of music. For music is a spell and music can be spell-binding. Thus Vega gives you creative, mysterious skills which can be used for artistic, spiritual expression, or in a negative way as a tool of deception. It is however, a beautiful, magical star much like Fomalhaut, one of the Royal Stars of Persia, and will give a bring of charisma to your life. In paran to your Jupiter, this

magical energy surrounds new ideas, anything that represents a new frontier, an area of exploration, a new concept. Thus you can become obsessed with such projects, whether it is the solving of a problem, or the establishment of an ideal.



Vindemiatrix - The Gatherer, with Mercury ♀ in Youth

A person who measures; a collector of data

Curtailed Passage

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With Vindemiatrix in paran with your Mercury you are a person who collates and/or collects any number of things. For the name Vindemiatrix means Grape-Gatherer, for it was said to be the heliacal rising star that indicated the harvesting of the grapes. And even when precession removed Vindemiatrix from this important calendar date, the Greeks and Romans maintained her identity as the Grape Picker. Vindemiatrix, connected with the time of harvest, thus implies a time of action; a time to pick what one has sown. It marks you as a collector, or gatherer of people, ideas or information; but also a person who is patient and will wait for the correct time to harvest. With Vindemiatrix in paran to your Mercury, you will have a mind that loves to collect and store information. This should give rise to an excellent memory, as well as a real talent for handling large amounts of data.

Stars of Your Prime

All of these stars are culminating as they form a paran to a planet. These stars will be influencing you in your adulthood, or the second third of your life. These stars will therefore have an impact on your career, adult relationships, children and financial prosperity. In addition, some of these stars will be doubly emphasised as they will not only be present and active in the prime of your life but will be shown, later in this report, to be coming from a deeper source, coming from the foundation stones of your being. These stars are discussed here, as it is in this period of your life that you first encounter their impact they will, however, simply grow stronger as your life unfolds. The stars that are active in the prime of your life are:



Alpheratz - The Navel of Pegasus, with Venus ♀ in Prime

To demand the right to follow one's own social or religious conscience

This influence of this star comes from your foundations, the roots of the tree of your life, your family history. In this period of your life you start to experience its energy in your social and professional world, but it grows stronger as you grow older until it eventually adds to the overall meaning of your life.

Alpheratz in paran to your Venus will influence your social conscience and install in you an interest in religion and its value in your life, the life of your loved ones, or people's lives in general. You will also have an interest in education and the importance of education as a instrument for change. You understand the impact of education on yourself, the members of your family, or society in general, in its capacity to lift people out of difficulties and into a better life.



Murzim - The Announcer, with Mercury ♀ in Prime

The writer, the researcher, the business entrepreneur

You have Murzims in paran with your Mercury. This star is called The Announcer because it rises before

Sirius and announces the imminent arrival of that great star. This star, therefore, seems to embody the symbolism of the dog, as its nature is to announce, to make a noise, to speak out, to carry a message, or to have something important to say. Murzims in paran to your Mercury therefore emphasises your Mercury, your intellect and your business skills. If active when you are young then you were an avid reader and learner. If active in your adult years, it suggests a career with words and knowledge. The writer, the communicator, or the successful business person. It is up to you, and also the nature of your own natal Mercury, as to how you will use this gift, but it is a gift. Speak out, seek to have your say, explore your business ideas.



V Vindemiatrix - The Gatherer, with Saturn in Prime

Exploring, or collecting information in order to implement new systems

Curtailed Passage

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This influence of this star comes from your foundations, the roots of the tree of your life, your family history. In this period of your life you start to experience its energy in your social and professional world, but it grows stronger as you grow older until it eventually adds to the overall meaning of your life.

With Vindemiatrix in paran with your Saturn, you are someone who explores and investigates in order to create new systems. For the name Vindemiatrix means Grape-Gatherer, for it was said to be the heliacal rising star that indicated the harvesting of the grapes. And even when precession removed Vindemiatrix from this important calendar date, the Greeks and Romans maintained her identity as the Grape Picker. Vindemiatrix, connected with the time of harvest, thus implies a time of action; a time to pick what one has sown. It marks you as a collector, or gatherer, of people, ideas or information; but also a person who is patient and will wait for the correct time to harvest. With Vindemiatrix in paran with your Saturn, you build new structures from the facts, people and data that you carefully collect.

Stars of Your Latter Years

All of these stars are setting as they form a paran to a planet. These stars will be influencing you in your later years or the last third of your life. They will be influential in the nature of your reputation, the manner in which you retire, and the autumn of your life, its joys or its sorrows. These stars are:



R Rigel - The Protection of the Pharaoh, with Moon in Latter Years

The metaphysician, or one who is drawn to alternative, or hidden wisdoms

This star is in the foot of Orion. The Egyptians saw Orion as the Pharaoh, and to be under a Pharaoh's foot was to be under his protection. However, when the Moon is involved with a star, it adds to the star the qualities of caring, compassion and empathy, so with this stellar combination we have a forthright approach to all matters linked to caring, and your own emotional needs. You will actively seek the needs of your Moon. If your Moon is in an air sign, then you will seek knowledge and education; if in a earth sign, then you will actively seek material security, or understanding of the physical world. However, if your Moon is in a water sign, you will seek rapport with others and nature; and if in a fire sign, you will seek adventure. With Rigel in paran to your moon, you will want to take control of your emotional needs, and actively steer them in the direction you desire.



Spica - A Gift from the Goddess, with Sun in Latter Years

A talented person, to have a gift

With Spica in paran with your Sun you are seen as a person who is talented. For Spica is the wheat sheaf in the hand of the goddess and is considered a symbol of her gifts to humankind. In present times, the wheat sheaf is the symbol of knowledge and insights which are respected. The star is not connected with any particular field or profession but rather shows the potential for brilliance. Spica is a gift of brilliance, an innate talent, skill or ability which is out of the ordinary. In paran with your Sun, this can describe your father figure, or the people that you admire in adult life, but more importantly you need to claim this brilliant star. You are a brilliant, gifted person, so have faith in yourself and reach for great heights.



Spica - A Gift from the Goddess, with Saturn in Latter Years

To be a prime mover of an idea, a founder, an originator

With Spica in paran with your Saturn, you are a person whose greatest skill is your tenacity, your endurance. For Spica is the wheat sheaf in the hand of the goddess and is considered a symbol of her gifts to humankind. In present times, the wheat sheaf is the symbol of knowledge and insights which are respected. The star is not connected with any particular field or profession, but rather shows the potential for brilliance. Spica is a gift of brilliance, an innate talent, skill, or ability which is out of the ordinary. In paran with your Saturn, all of this talent makes itself available to you when you undertake the long, hard path. By tackling the large undertaking, the huge project, you find your greatest success.



Vindemiatrix - The Gatherer, with Mars in Latter Years

A thirst for knowledge or information; a lover of research

Curtailed Passage

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With Vindemiatrix in paran with your Mars, you are motivated to find information and create meaning from what you find. For the name Vindemiatrix means Grape-Gatherer, for it was said to be the heliacal rising star that indicated the harvesting of the grapes. And even when precession removed Vindemiatrix from this important calendar date, the Greeks and Romans maintained her identity as the Grape Picker. Vindemiatrix, connected with the time of harvest, thus implies a time of action; a time to pick what one has sown. It marks you as a collector, or gatherer of people, ideas or information; but also a person who is patient and will wait for the correct time to harvest. With Vindemiatrix in paran to your Mars, you are thirsty for learning, facts, information and data, and you use this knowledge to gain new insights and build new ideas. You may be a teacher, or a researcher in your profession, or you may satisfy this hunger in your hobbies, by reading and exploring ideas.



Zosma - The Back of the Lion, with Mercury in Latter Years

To be concerned with the difficulties of others

With Zosma in paran with your Mercury you are a person who is interested in the difficulties or struggles of others, whether individuals, or whole sections of the community. For Zosma is the place on the back of

the Nemean Lion where it was crushed by Hercules. This myth is a symbol of the point in Greek and Roman mythology where older, goddess-centred beliefs were extinguished. Zosma itself is not feminine, but belongs rather to those whom the establishment, either directly or indirectly, makes powerless. You may be dealing with a victimising situation, or you may work with these issues as a social worker or care-giver. This is not a star of glory and fame, but rather of the invisible work of dealing with the victim, either in oneself or in one's work. Zosma in paran to your Mercury can, therefore, give you difficulties with language and learning; or it can give you a career helping others with learning difficulties, or perhaps helping people with financial problems. Zosma will bring into your life some kind of difficulty in areas of trading, learning, language, or intellect, but you can be a helper and healer, rather than a sufferer.

The Hearthstone of Your Life

All of these stars are on the Nadir, the bottom of the sky, as they form a paran to a planet. These stars will express themselves, firstly, as the foundation of your life, the roots from which you grow, and secondly, as the summation of your life. These stars can be considered your hearthstone; they are there from the beginning, influencing you from behind the scenes, but only really become visible in your life as you grow old. Some of these stars would have first expressed themselves in the prime of your life and were discussed in that section. These hearthstone stars are:



Alpheratz - The Navel of Pegasus, with Venus ♀ in Foundation

To demand the right to follow one's own social or religious conscience

This star expresses itself in the prime of your life but continues to grow in strength as you age. Eventually it becomes one of the main defining features of your life. For more details on the meaning of this stellar combination, look again at the stars of your prime.



Ankaa - The Phoenix, with Mercury ♀ in Foundation

An inventor, engineer, or one who brings order and structure

Arising Lying Hidden That the time of your birth, and for this latitude, this star is in the phase of Arising and Lying hidden and is therefore to be read more in the extremes of its meaning, rather than a more balanced expression. Refer to the beginning of this report to refresh yourself with the meaning of such a star phase.

Ankaa in paran to your Mercury implies a thinker who can think laterally, move sideways on a problem and find a solution. You are not so much an inspirational thinker, but rather one who can break something down to its smallest parts, even destroying the original concept or idea, only to suddenly emerge with the solution or insight. Ankaa is the star of the phoenix and like the mythical phoenix your ideas come from the ashes. Talented in solving problems of design or order, the star, if active in your adult years, can lead you into such careers as designer, engineer, or inventor.



Procyon - The One that Comes Before, with Mars ♂ in Foundation

Stops and starts, many changes to one's career, or life path

With Procyon in paran to your Mars your actions and what motivates you are spontaneous and varied. For Procyon comes before The Shining One, Sirius, and thus can indicate a quick rise but with no real substance. Procyon is like fireworks - wonderful to watch, taking centre stage, but quickly fading, and then needing more fireworks to sustain the thrill. However, this star can teach you the value of diversification. Intertwined with your Mars, this stellar energy can bring great variety to your life, but it

can also lead you to act rashly and without thought. Its shadow side is a continual stream of hold-ups, delays and frustrations in trying to achieve your goals. Nevertheless, it can also be an advantageous energy, for the better use of this symbolism in your life is to have many different and varied activities or interests. Working with many things, some of these will reach fruition and success for you.



Vindemiatrix - The Gatherer, with Saturn ♄ in Foundation

Exploring, or collecting information in order to implement new systems

Curtailed Passage

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This star expresses itself in the prime of your life but continues to grow in strength as you age. Eventually it becomes one of the main defining features of your life. For more details on the meaning of this stellar combination, look again at the stars of your prime.

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Star Legend

Each star has a pictogram that will help you remember the nature of the star as well as give you some simple information. There are three components to each star pictogram; the star magnitude symbol, the constellation image and the letter of the alphabet giving the star's common proper name.

The star symbol will tell you the brightness of the star.

★ = A star whose magnitude is less than 2.0. This is a bright or very bright star clearly visible even within a large city.

✦ = A star whose magnitude is between 2.0 and 2.9. This is a small star, clearly visible even within a city unless there is a great deal of light pollution, but better seen away from the city lights.

◇ = A star whose magnitude greater than 3.0 This is a faint star that would possibly not be seen if you live in a city, but would be visible on a clear night in the country. The human eye can see stars up to a magnitude of 6.0 provided the viewing conditions are good.

▽ = A star whose magnitude is variable, sometimes bright at other times not bright.

● = This is a nebula, not actually a star but an interstellar cloud of dust and gas.

The constellation image will tell you the constellation to which the star belongs, for example:



This is the pictogram for Regulus the bright star in the constellation Leo. The star symbol shows that it is a bright star and the image of the Lion represents Leo. All stars in Leo will have the same lion image.



This is the pictogram for Denebola another star that is not as bright as Regulus in the constellation Leo and ...



This is the pictogram for Zosma another star of similar brightness to Denebola also in the constellation Leo.

The letter of the alphabet will give you the first letter of the stars proper name.