

August 2012 Forecast

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♈ Aries

Tread cautiously when spending money or engaging in negotiations from the 1st to 7th, as not everyone is always as reliable as you'd ideally hope. What has been convoluted, gains in clarity at work on the 8th, 9th and/or 10th. The urge to fight a battle is strong on/near the 23rd, especially when you realize an issue is not a moot question or a lost cause.

“Word-for-word” quotes are probably less than accurate if they arrive in the form of gossip from the 1st to 6th. There is a last-minute quality to a turn of events involving friends or work associates on/near the 7th. The chance to do something special for someone who once did something helpful for you arises on the 24th, 25th or 26th.

A choice you make on the 1st, 2nd or 3rd could have health-related consequences toward month's end. You can make more progress with a solid plan of action from the 23rd to 31st than you can by “winging it,” especially in matters of health, safety and self-improvement; it is unlikely that success will find you unless you are willing to meet it halfway.

Questions can arise surrounding ownership or possessions on the 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th; complications require patience in order to be resolved. You are able to hear the words, but are you really tuning-in to the deeper meaning of what is being said on the 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd and/or 23rd?

Following your own heart comes naturally on/near the 2nd (Full Moon.) The 17th (New Moon) to 30th is wonderful for enjoying the most starry-eyed and romantic aspects of love; the urge to express your feelings through poetry, music or art is strong and motivating. The Full Moon of the 31st, the second Full Moon this month, boosts the odds for some once-in-a-blue-moon relationship developments on/near this date.

♉ Taurus

The Full Moon on the 2nd bodes well for career advancement during the early days of August; each step forward can be used as a platform from which the next step forward is launched. Others are integral to your success from the 3rd to 6th. When “mainstream” is a yawn, financial and professional benefits are found off the beaten track from the 7th to 22nd.

Personal relationships can be particularly sensitive to miscommunication from the 1st to 6th; words and deeds can be misconstrued, leading to tension or arguments, especially at home or between family members. The New Moon of the 17th from this date through the 30th means house-

hold projects of all kinds are energized and *energizing*, and excitement is stirred by the prospects of a move or beautification project.

You can make conscientious choices early in the month allowing you to stay on a healthy course you've recently set for yourself; there could be temptations to do otherwise from the 3rd to 8th but nothing you can't handle if you set your mind to it. The 9th to 21st illuminate the value of self-respect and self-esteem on multi levels.

Someone seems heck-bent on upsetting your applecart on the 13th, 14th, 15th and/or 16th; you cannot control what someone else thinks, feels or does, but you are in charge of your own reactions and responses. The Full Moon of the 31st provides a "once in a blue moon" chance to team with others fighting for a good cause that is close to your heart on/near this date

It is difficult for lovers to really "get" what each other is saying from the 1st to 7th and too much reading between the lines isn't likely to help. If communication improves on the 10th, 11th and 12th, romantic prospects improve in equal proportion. You can charm the birds out of the trees on 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th.

♊ Gemini

With the beneficent and optimistic planet Jupiter moving through your sign this month, it is difficult for you *not to* be influenced by the positive vibes. Give yourself permission to dream a little, to toy with ideas, to set your imagination free in all of those ways that inspire you. The time is right to focus on "can do."

Expediency is advisable in money matters and when in sensitive workplace terrain from the 1st to 6th. Changes on/near the 7th provide a clearer idea of how to best proceed in a financial or career area. Ideas and creativity are stirred up through brainstorming from the 17th (New Moon) to 30th, with a once-in-a-blue-moon sort of development occurring on/near the 31st (Full Moon.)

Family and friends are great cheerleaders from the 1st to 6th, and some may be in the position to offer more substantial support or practical help as well. Conversation can turn awkward on a dime on the 7th or 8th. Travels—and intellectual journeys—of the 17th (New Moon) to 23rd put you in touch with past, present and future concerns.

Limiting yourself to one source of information or mindset can be inhibiting from the 2nd (Full Moon) to 8th; the more information you have, the better decisions you can make regarding health and safety issues. "Talk it out" has rarely been more fitting advice if there is something on your mind that is upsetting your mental, emotional or physical equilibrium from the 13th to 19th.

"What about me?" can stand in the way of "What about us?" on the 2nd (Full Moon), 3rd, 5th, 7th and 8th. Love and passion exude an almost poetic quality from the 9th to 16th; sometimes flowing, sometimes a lot like futilely searching for a word that rhymes! Commitment is a hot topic from 24th to 31st (Full Moon); romantic attachments are serious business.

♋ Cancer

You will fare best at work or with money from 1st to 7th if you have planned ahead for the proverbial “rainy day.” Tread carefully from 8th to 16th, and on/after the New Moon of the 17th an encouraging financial trend may begin to unfold for you. Key word on 24th, 27th, 28th and 29th: “entrepreneurial.”

There is energy and enthusiasm building at home and/or in your circle of friends from 1st to 21st; making new friends, meeting and greeting, rubbing elbows and just plain getting crazy with pals and loved ones are all activities that can brighten your spirits and remind you of a side of your personality that is overdue for a happy workout.

Whether or not you realize it, you may be absorbing others’ emotions and attitudes like a psychic sponge from the 2nd (Full Moon) to 16th and emanating these back out in to the world as if they are your own; choose your company wisely if you do not want to run the risk of someone else’s negativity or pessimism inadvertently becoming your own.

Arguments can be a source of irritation on the 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 23rd and 27th. Philosophical debates on/after the 31st (Full Moon) reflect an unusual clash of personalities and ideas.

The Full Moon of the 2nd stimulates passionate energy that swirls in your love life from this date through the 30th; love is like a roller-coaster. Words can be misconstrued but the intuition of the heart is unlikely to be far from the mark from the 1st to 6th; your “people reading” skills are in high gear, especially regarding your mate or love interest.

♌ Leo

Forcing an issue probably gets you nowhere fast at work or in terms of your bigger career picture from the 1st to 8th—assertive: yes; pushy-pushy: no! A step-by-step approach allows you to translate ambitions into events from the 9th to 23rd; in other words, you can get the thing done! Financial prospects are encouraging from 24th to 30th.

Someone is having a difficult time understanding where you are coming from between the 1st to 7th; is it really necessary that they do? Communication improves from the 8th to 16th and the New Moon of the 17th bodes well for personal charm, charisma and open-throttle fun from this date through month’s end. The Full Moon of the 31st indicates that the consequences for earlier choices could become apparent on/after this date, making smart choices all-the-more important to insure that health-and-safety comeuppance is of a constructive variety.

A metaphoric can of “whoop butt” is opened upon anybody who decides to debate you on a subject in which you are mega-well-versed on the 9th, 10th, 11th, 24th, 27th, 28th, 29th or 30th. Your ability to think on your feet can keep you one step ahead of the competition and ahead of anyone who would try to diminish the sparkle of your creative ideas.

The Full Moon of the 2nd bodes good tidings in love from this date through the 16th; give-and-take with a partner can flow well, bolstering the confidence of each. It is easy to attract attention from the 17th (New Moon) to 30th, while making a soul connection takes considerably more effort. Sexy vibes on/near the 31st (Full Moon) are as amped up as the drama is likely to be.

♍ Virgo

The Full Moon of the 2nd sets the month off on an agreeable note. With a sensible “to do list” in hand, you are in control and on your game in August.

Someone could be attempting to play upon your good nature or the good nature of someone close to you from the 1st to 7th; key word there is “*attempting*” because it will be awfully difficult for anybody to pull the wool over your astute eyes. Research and investigation of mid-month can help you make a business/career/money decision you can be comfortable with from 24th to 30th.

Others can be valuable teammates as you work toward a practical, household or charitable goal from the 1st to 8th, and can be vivacious travel buddies as you embark upon an actual, spiritual, creative or educational adventure on/near the 9th. A friend’s behavior that seems messed-up or unfair could be more evocative of sympathy than scorn on/after the 17th (New Moon.)

The opportunity to see an old problem through a new lens is ripe on the 2nd (Full Moon), 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th and from 27th to 30th; let the benefit to health, fitness, appearance and/or safety flow!

Knowing when to sweat the details and when to lighten up can help you keep things on a constructive course during much of this month, especially on/near the 2nd (Full Moon) when you are likely to be most fired-up about a project, job or the implementation of a plan-of-action.

If there is a problem to be worked out between partners, the 8th to 16th provides plenty of opportunity for clear, concise communication. The New Moon of the 17th powerfully stirs deep emotions, romantic idealism and a desire for sexy escapism from this date through the 30th; is a new love affair in the making? Love has a once-in-a-blue-moon quality on/near the Full Moon of the 31st.

♎ Libra

Take work seriously. On the 3rd, compassion is needed. On the 20th, opportunities arise for shaping your persona to suit a group effort. On the 23rd, apply yourself to increasing self-worth both financially and emotionally.

Tune in your psychic antennae. Others apply logic incorrectly on the 4th. After the 8th you identify the flaws in their thinking and apply what you have learned through dreams or meditation.

Use intuition to identify stress points. A friend gets the picture before you do. Around the 18th you find ways to adjust conditions to suit personal needs. Everyone is happier on the 29th.

Balance carbs with protein. Resolve to adhere to a sensible diet after the 7th. Get a new cookbook or try different restaurants that serve healthy alternatives.

Do you really need to be in control all the time? If not, rethink your approach around the 8th and adapt your speech to the person you are addressing on the 18th. Find a win/win result.

Apply extra sensitivity in all relationships. Romance is on the increase around the 20th when you persuade others to help you achieve your own joy.

♏ Scorpio

Anticipate changes around the 14th that cause frayed nerves for others. On the 18th you get the word. Around the 29th you take the spotlight and others see what you are made of.

Opportunity knocks on the 2nd. Answer! Evaluate by using both the intuitive insights you gain and the intellectual thought you put into your work. Be ready to rumble at any moment.

Travel to or across water this month. After the 8th you move forward with personal plans. Join in family activities on the 18th. Someone shares a weird story about a ghost or dream.

You're so busy the first half of the month! By the 15th you really need a day off! Take a mental health day and stay at home with a good book. By the 18th your energy rebounds and you feel more sociable.

Enjoy quiet dinners for two and just relax. Gentle persuasion around the 15th enhances the sense of closeness. On the 21st a decision tips the scale.

♐ Sagittarius

Luck comes your way in the form of caring associates. On the 2nd you feel an influx of psychic energy. Around the 8th you put your thoughts into words.

Around the 9th you receive some money due to a woman's careful attention to detail. Adjust your thinking before you begin spending. There may not be as much as you had hoped, but there is plenty.

The guys pony up their share and the ladies do the hands-on organizing. This, everyone agrees, is a fair division of labor.

Stay in the present and you feel a lot better. Aches and pains ebb as you reach out to others.

Use caution now. Focus your mind when you use tools and equipment. On the 18th you achieve a creative goal that may have eluded you early in the month. A chance to demonstrate your talent arises around the 20th. Go for it!

Join in romantic activities on the 1st, 9th, and 24th for sure. Expand the range of your partnering skills. That way you understand the subtext and respond appropriately.

♑ Capricorn

On the 9th, cultivate allies who know your message and can assist in polishing it for the general public. Intuition kicks in on the 16th to show you when and where to reveal surprises you have kept secret for some time.

Careful written communication makes all the difference. Before the 8th you struggle to find just the right words. After that date ideas flow and you get assignments completed quickly. Patience is essential to reduce stress.

Gather with friends on the 16th or 18th for a game you find intriguing. You have amazing luck

for a beginner! Save some energy, though, for evening entertainment.

Increase your lung capacity with specialized exercises. Use the additional prana to feed your nervous system just as you feed the rest of your body. Nourish your mind and spirit too.

Make no large purchases before the 10th. On the 18th you get a surprise where expected income is concerned. Accounting becomes more important on the 20th and 22nd.

Join with associates to celebrate a romantic milestone. Your own romantic efforts gain success on the 9th, when you deliver just the right message via words or a gift. The 21st is another golden moment for love.

♈ Aquarius

Express emotions for the desired impact on others. Some stresses around the 15th or 16th are quickly offset on the 18th when you get a very positive surprise. Make adjustments around the 30th.

Dress up presentations with a bit of glamour. To strike the right chord, choose slightly softer colors or a gentler typeface than your usual. Diplomatic words help set the tone.

Meet up with a friend as part of a family vacation. Firm up plans on the 2nd, and take off on the 22nd for a fabulous mountain holiday.

Smile and say yes often. Focus instead on imaginative ideas. Share plans on the 1st, and expand your perspective to include the unlikely, implausible, and even the impossible.

Pay close attention to others and gauge your response appropriately. You don't need to force issues, except possibly with a female on the 16th, when you feel unloved. You get past an obstacle.

Follow someone else's lead on the 8th, when plans may undergo significant changes. Add glamour on the 11th. Intuition on the 18th shows you a different path.

♉ Pisces

Add glamor without big spending. Guys: choose shoes to suit your sports or exercise interests. Ladies: mix and match nail polish colors. The 9th is a high impact day, so imagine who you want to be then.

Catch lucky breaks, say yes, and send energy back out into the world. You have a lot to offer and a look that says "Pick me!" You'll get offers you would never consider, and some that are better than you imagined.

You manage to please them all! Friends want to drag you away from home around the 18th. The family member in charge says it's all right, but only if you agree to show up for dinner at home on the 21st or 22nd.

Sunscreen really works, so use it. Protect your feet when you enter the ocean or other unknown waters. Spice up your diet, but reduce fat content. Rest on the 24th.

An established love could be among treasures you recognize on the 9th. A new or renewed romance is yours for the taking on the 16th, but only if you are bold enough to grasp the opportunity.