

Horoscope for Imagen April 2010/by Sioux Rose

Aries:

April is a strategic time to pay attention to your inner desires. The sun and new moon (14th) ignite a sense of wonder for spring, and mark a powerful new season in your life. (One that will escalate this summer as two of the outer planets join in your sign for the first time in 84 years.) What in yourself, or your life would you truly like to reinvent? The answer presents both the gift and the challenge that you soon will face. With Mercury, the thinker now rooted in Taurus' firm earth, decisions may be heavily influenced by financial logistics; but those parameters will change with an upcoming shift in the direction of the cosmic tides. Ruler Mars, still in Leo, awakens passion for persons and creative forms of self-expression. You may note more independence, or a clear sign that one of your children is truly growing up. Saturn, the planetary proponent of old norms and past traditions finds itself challenged by Uranus, the planet of original schemes and inventions. You redefine your value system on the 23rd-24th when Venus "dances" with a variety of unlikely planetary partners.

Taurus:

Although Venus will lend you lots of creative (not to mention sensual) juice, whilst Mercury gets you thinking along firm, pragmatic lines, the sun and new moon--the quintessential life giving planetary sources both linger in your 12th house sector of rest, retreat, and strategically "turning off" the world. You need some time for yourself. Whether the intended time-out proves a call for psychological renewal or physical replenishment, it clearly indicates that this is no time to burn the candle at both ends. Your soul is engaged in a reflection process centered on the question of how much routine you want in your life (in the form of adherence to a former lifestyle or prior source of job/income) versus how much you're willing to break free and search for something else. With Venus your personal planetary navigator bound for some truly variable cosmic weather on the 23rd-24th, you may need to experiment before you can arrive at the core truths you can live with. Once the sun enters your sign on the 21st, you begin a process of aligning your actions with your intentions. Make sure you've taken the time to determine what those are before embarking on any new course of action.

Gemini:

Aries is a bold sign that insists upon taking risks. How else to fulfill the role of the pioneer? And it is Aries that sits on your 11th house, the place where dreams and aspirations are born. April brings the sun and new moon (14th), a cosmic "marriage of the lights" to this sector; and empowers you if you align your actions and beliefs with your key aspirations. A synergistic power works through the 11th house to promise greater rewards for those who work harmoniously together (toward shared goals or objectives). Ruler Mercury, along with Venus hangs back in Taurus, your 12th house of rest, reflection, and strategic planning. Rushing into anything at this time would not be warranted, although Mercury's retrograde cycle may bring the return of an opportunity from the past. You can't help but notice how every path involves compromise when

Venus falls into mixed influences on the 23rd-24th. Just then the sun enters your sector of solitude intensifying the mandate to turn inward to strategically stop, look, and inwardly listen. On the 29th you sense a breakthrough, as Mercury, lit by the sun guides you to new possibilities (or a solution to pressing problems).

Cancer:

Career drive runs high with the sun and new moon (14th) pivoted at your chart's professional summit. Here the influence of authority figures (lest you function as your own boss) factors into plans, goals, and procedural approaches. Mars continues its surge through your income sector animating aggressive urges when it comes to making money (or wisely investing it). Venus and Mercury comfort you from your friendship sector. There, in the sign of Taurus, they prompt you to enjoy dining out with close associates, or otherwise benefiting from their emotional support. Saturn, upholder of tradition, bucks up against Uranus, champion of novel inventions. As a result all Zodiac signs evaluate their commitment to previous ways of doing things. Many will shed aspects of a passé lifestyle, or otherwise rid their lives of outworn behaviors, bad habits, or debilitating wastes of time (like dreams run amok). Venus, ruler of our value systems, as well as actual items of value, gets caught up in a cosmic traffic jam on the 23rd-24th. No easy answers emerge; but whatever jolts you will prompt an important process of self-reflection. The sun enters your 11th house on the 21st where you tap into insight from friends. Someone may provide just the guidance you're searching for.

Leo:

No place on the grand dial of (cosmic) time signals the call to the great getaway more than the 9th house. So if you've put off a trip, can afford one, or otherwise realize such a diversion is necessary to rekindle the fire in your soul... then get going. Preferably before the 18th, when Mercury, responsible for executing plans, slips into its tricky retrograde phase. Venus and Mercury in Taurus stimulate your career sector. The lively duo inclines you to find unorthodox ways to take business tasks along with you, especially if you feel creatively inspired outside of the office. Mars will soon complete its passage through your sign, and your energy level may dip as a result. Saturn, champion of tradition, battles with Uranus, the rebel planet that inspires new inventions and discoveries. How much will you remain wedded to the past and previous ways of doing things, and how much will you allow yourself to break away in pursuit of new goals, dreams, and passions? Venus sends confusing signals on the 23rd-24th. Soon after the sun enters Taurus to draw you into practical thinking, as opposed to chasing dreams and/or romance.

Virgo:

With Aries, the surge of spring, governing your 8th house of shared financial matters, you have a tendency to dive in before recognizing the depth involved. Aries is naturally opposed to Libra, the sign where balance is championed. You must work on balance where spending money is concerned. Discern what you really need from otherwise catering to momentary impulses. The state of your finances will be much on your mind with ruler Mercury passing through Taurus, essentially the Zodiac's banking realm. Mercury will flip into retrograde gear on the 18th intensifying the likelihood that a

financial matter from the past will ricochet back your way. If there was a loose end, it must be efficiently tied up. Mars lingers in your zone of contemplation recommending that you allow yourself adequate down-time for personal reflection. Saturn in retrograde is back in your sign where it now opposes its natural antithesis Uranus. Translation? Old patterns clash with novel possibilities; and one must determine whether they will sacrifice what might be, for what was. Venus is not especially helpful in relaying cues as she falls into a symbolic ambush on the 23rd-24th. It's best to commit to nothing now. Just wisely wait and see, and assess options with patience.

Libra:

The sun, and new moon (14th) rouse your partnership sector; and April invites you to take a fresh look at your significant other. To the extent love resembles game of tennis, you're now positioned to improve your stroke. Solo Librans could meet someone significant at this time. Karmic Saturn has granted you a temporary time-out, but it will soon return to shape your life along entirely new lines starting in July. Since yours is the Zodiac realm most related to marriage (and partnership), the lesson plan Saturn intends may well involve the very person who has the strength to motivate you to alter your life. The pivot point that inwardly establishes balance is shifting inside of you, and you will feel tension between tradition and rebellion, or how much you're willing to remain committed to past protocols when future possibilities call. Not only do Saturn and Uranus battle, but your ruling planet Venus (true gauge to how you feel) enters into a virtual ambush on the 23rd-24th. She cannot provide clear navigational advice. You may wonder about a great many things, but these questions are important to your process. You will shed things (including behaviors) in coming months, and should cultivate a lifestyle practice that supports inner equilibrium/balance. Yoga, Tai Chi and meditation are all recommended. Given the bumps ahead, your "driving" will improve if you work on your own equilibrium.

Scorpio:

With Aries, perennial sign of spring governing your personal health sector, you are endowed with the power of the phoenix. That means you can come back, or regenerate, from events and experiences that would overwhelm others. The sun and new moon (14th) bring a surge to your health sector. Cooperate with this influence since it signals a great time to rid yourself of a habit or lifestyle practice that challenges your overall well-being. If you haven't exercised in some time, the force is now with you! Could be that with Venus in your partnership sector, the lure of beauty in the form of an attractive individual provides the incentive you need to get in shape. Co-ruler Mars in Leo fuels your ambitions, whilst Saturn, the planet of professional goals bucks up against its natural opposite, Uranus. You may feel torn between sticking with your current position, or moving in a very different career direction. Confusion is likely on the 23rd-24th when Venus enters into a cosmic fog and is thus unable to send reliable (sensory) signals your way. If you can avoid making commitments, that's best, especially when tricky Mercury begins its retrograde cycle on the 18th.

Sagittarius:

In our work-centered world the principle and need for recreation is often underrated. The fiery Aries sun and its complementary new moon (14th) both heat up your 5th house of romance, recreation and hobbies. This zone is related to personal talents and those of your offspring. Planets now enhance inspiration, and compel you to express yourself! Venus and Mercury meanwhile move through your zone of work-related duties, both enhancing the sense of instinct you bring to your tasks. Mercury turns retrograde on the 18th and that can send a matter presumed resolved back for further revisions. Tension builds on the 22nd when Saturn, the custodian of strict protocols and old traditions challenges Uranus, the champion of invention and novel approaches. Finding a diplomatic course between these two opposing camps will not be easy. Even Venus, given to readily supplying charm and diplomacy is caught in her own cosmic conundrum, especially on the 23rd-24th. Where you are able to put off major projects and commitments, do so. Enormous flux is in the air and continues to build; and your position/perspective today may vary greatly from where it will be tomorrow.

Capricorn:

With the warm sun and new moon (on the 14th) headed to your domestic sector, efforts should be made to improve the living ambiance. Some Capricorns may opt for remodeling jobs, while others relocate altogether. Be cautious about signing legal papers once Mercury turns retrograde on the 18th. Your ruler Saturn enters into a powerful opposition with Uranus, the maverick. Tension between the two suggests that the best-laid plans can run amok due to surprising events, or elements lost in “the fine print.” Mars has spent an especially long time in your joint financial sector where arguments over fiscal agreements result. Where possible avoid stress or find creative ways to siphon it. Sensual Venus in your 5th house of artistic expression helps. Sexuality feels therapeutic now (more so than usual). Venus, star of love, gets entangled in a web of confusion on the 23rd-24th. Do not make long-term decisions of any sort “under the influence.” Full moon in Scorpio (the sign best for ferreting out mysteries and those items that lurk below the surface) on the 28th allows you a more comprehensive perspective. Then you can draw benefit from past experience to get a handle on what to do now, and why.

Aquarius:

Sometimes the answer to a question, or dilemma, is found in altering your own thought process. The Aries sun and new moon (14th) currently illuminate your 3rd house of ideas, communications, advertising, self-promotion, sales, and short trips. You can be very much on your game in these venues. Aries champions the new and favors bold discovery. There’s no greater discovery than that of self-discovery. With Saturn, proponent of old systems and traditional approaches opposing your ruling planet Uranus, which acts as the Zodiac’s champion of novel invention and innovation, you may find yourself walking away from an environment or position that was too restricting. Like a bird you sense that it’s time to leave the nest in order to fly free or test your wings. These sentiments will grow in coming months even if you don’t elect to act on them now. Venus, the planet that allows access to feelings (especially romantic ones) falls into a cosmic conundrum on the 23rd-24th. Instead of presuming you already have all the answers (or are sure about your feelings), give yourself time and room to sort these out.

Pisces:

Your chart zone of finance comes to life this month, as the Aries sun prompts you to do some pioneering (of your own) where investments or money making are concerned. With solid Taurus rooted on your 3rd house of ideas and correspondences, you know how to acquire good, solid advice when it's warranted. Mercury turns retrograde in this sector on the 18th and may draw a promising option or opportunity back your way. Mars, about to complete an extended stay in your work sector, may have left some tension (or scar tissue) in its wake. Now that Jupiter, the granter of luck and opportunity, has touched down in your sign, you're thinking bigger. Saturn, retrograde, has returned to your partnership sector where (during the past two years) it taught you serious lessons about the give and take relationships require. Where Saturn champions what has been established over time, Uranus clamors for discovering altogether new possibilities. As the sign of the fish moving in opposite directions, you can't escape feeling inwardly divided. Only you can determine how much you wish to adhere to previous patterns, as opposed to breaking free to test new paths. A close relationship acts as the "litmus test to."