

The ✨ Houses

The natal chart looks like a wheel with 12 sections or spokes, each section pertaining to a different life area. At the West, South, East and North of the chart, we also have points called Angles, that signify moving from one quadrant to another as we progress through the chart. At the moment of your birth, the planets are in a specific house or area, showing which sector of life the planet will experience during the life in order to grow and evolve. The houses or sectors are the building blocks of your life, and planets pass through these 12 areas during your lifetime, and at certain points they connect with you natal planets or angles, these are called transits. Each house/sector relates to a different aspect of your life, such as, relationships, marriage, children, career, study, travel, identity, money, appearance, health. At the moment of your birth, the planets were in a formation, each in a specific house, this is what is shown in your natal horoscope, which is as unique as your fingerprints. Some houses/sectors may contain several planets and others are empty. Whichever sign is on the cusp or beginning of a sector or area is known as the ruler of that house in your chart.

ANGLE: ASCENDANT OR RISING SIGN

Many people are familiar with the term “Rising sign” and your Ascendant or Rising sign requires an exact birth time, as it signifies which zodiac sign was rising on the horizon at the time of you were born, which changes every two hours. Your Ascendant is considered one of the 3 points in a Natal Chart, the others being your Sun and Moon sign, that can give you a basic understanding of your personality matrix. Your Ascendant is your calling card or business card, it is how you show yourself to the world. If someone does not know you and meets you for the first time, it may well signify the way they would describe you, as it’s how you come across and operate while out in life, your public persona.

1ST HOUSE

THE SELF

The first house rules what is unique about you and how other people see you. Your Personal Brand, looks, personality, natural tendencies and the way you present yourself to the world as well as your energy and vitality. The natural ruler of this house is the planet Mars and the sign of Aries and shows the zodiac sign rising at the time for your birth or your Ascendant sign. Your Ascendant sign can influence your natural characteristics.

2ND HOUSE

MONEY, POSSESSIONS AND SELF-WORTH

The second house rules earned income, finances & material possessions as well as material gains and losses. It also rules your sense of security, self-worth & confidence, your values, body awareness and relationship with money. The natural ruler of the second house is the planet of love and finance, Venus and the sign of Taurus.

3RD HOUSE

COMMUNICATION, LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD, SIBLINGS, EARLY EDUCATION

The third house symbolises your mind, logic, rational thought and intellect, showing how you approach and analyse problems and perceive information as well as your learning & communication style. This includes writing, editing, thinking, reading, speaking & conducting research, your ability to learn and your opportunities to study. It also covers contracts and agreements, presentations, proposals, commerce, sales, marketing, PR and self-promotion. Sibling relationships, cousins, neighbours, short distance travel and your local community as well as your perception of childhood experiences. The natural ruler of the third house is the planet of communication, Mercury and the sign of Gemini.

ANGLE: IMMUM COELI OR IC

The IC known as the bottom of the sky symbolises your roots, if you image the natal chart like a tree, the IC would be the roots and the MC the top of the tree with all the branches and leaves. It signifies your family, ancestry and heritage, where you have come from, your home and foundations and starts the fourth house.

4TH HOUSE

HOME, FAMILY AND ANCESTRY

The fourth house rules your home, the location, what it looks like and who you live with, including visitors, babysitters, home improvement, decorating and house guests. Family life, property, real estate, the buying and selling of property and rentals. It also deals with your relationship to your parents, particularly your father and your ancestry, heredity and foundations. The natural ruler of the fourth house is the Moon and the sign of Cancer.

5TH HOUSE

CREATIVITY, SELF-EXPRESSION, FUN, ROMANCE, PLEASURE, CHILDREN, RISK-TAKING

The fifth house rules your love life and is more about love affairs than committed relationships, fun, love, pleasure as well as children, pregnancies and birth. Creativity, hobbies, sports and leisure,

gambling, risk-taking and Stock Market investments all come under its umbrella. The fifth house is naturally ruled by Leo and the Sun.

6TH HOUSE

DAY TO DAY WORK, SCHEDULES, HEALTH AND WELLBEING, ROUTINES AND SERVICE

The sixth house rules your daily routine and work schedule, your work environment, employees, colleagues and assistants. It also covers pets, daily habits, routines and lifestyle, how you look after your health, including diet, fitness, exercise, physical check-ups and dentist visits. It is also known as the house of service, showing where we can be of service to others. The natural sixth house ruler is Mercury and the sign of Virgo.

ANGLE: DESCENDANT

The Descendant is exactly opposite your Ascendant, and as your Ascendant describes you personally, the Descendant describes your committed relationships with others, such as your marriage or live in partner, business partners or anyone you work with, such as agents, clients, coaches etc. It is the start of the seventh house.

7TH HOUSE

COMMITTED RELATIONSHIPS

The seventh house falls opposite the first house of self and rules marriage, business partnerships, live in relationships & serious contractual agreements between people or entities. It is also known as the house of known enemies and rules lawyers, accountants, agents or anyone who collaborates or represents you with a contract. It also describes what you want from a serious partnership or marriage. Once a love affair is committed, it moves from the fifth house into the seventh house. The natural ruler of the seventh house is Libra and the planet Venus.

8TH HOUSE

REGENERATION, TRANSFORMATION, DEATH AND REBIRTH, SEX, OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY

The eighth house rules rebirth, regeneration and the transformation of energy, such as death or psychological transformation. It rules joint financial matters, such as, money you lend and owe, prizes, gifts, inheritance, commissions, refunds, bonuses, royalties, child support, alimony, credit, loans, mortgages and venture capital, as well as your partners financial situation. It is also the house ruling sex & reproduction, as well as themes of manipulation, control and power. The natural ruler of the eighth house is Scorpio and the planet Pluto.

9TH HOUSE

HIGHER EDUCATION, LONG DISTANCE TRAVEL, PHILOSOPHY, BELIEFS, RELIGION AND LAW.

The ninth house rules long distance travel and relationships with foreigners, distant relatives and in-laws as well as Higher Education, such as university or college. Beliefs, morals, ethics and philosophy, religion, publishing, legal and academic matters, the higher mind and mental and physical exploration. The natural ruler of the ninth house is Sagittarius and the planet Jupiter.

ANGLE: MEDIUM COELI OR MC

The MC is the highest point in the chart or the top of the heavens and the sign on the MC describes your calling, career, life purpose and status out in the world.

10TH HOUSE

CAREER AND STATUS

The tenth house rules fame, promotions, honours, career, professional opportunities, reputation and your status in the community, your professional image, judges, VIPS and government officials that can be of help you. The natural ruler of the tenth house is Capricorn and the planet Saturn.

11TH HOUSE

FRIENDS, GROUPS AND DREAMS AND WISHES

The eleventh house rules friendships, platonic relationships, club memberships and group meetings of people with shared interests, casual contacts, associations and networking. It rules humanitarian causes as well as your hopes, wishes, aspirations and dreams. The natural ruler of the eleventh house is Aquarius and the planet Uranus.

12TH HOUSE

ENDINGS, SOLITUDE, SPIRITUALITY, CONFINEMENT, ILLNESS, THE MYSTICAL.

The twelfth house rules the unconscious mind, spirituality and the occult, dreams, intuition and secrets. It is the house of secret enemies, ruling hospitals, prisons, mental institutes and psychic phenomena, endings, solitude, healing and charity work. The natural ruler of the twelfth house is Neptune and the sign of Pisces.