

TAROT MAP

Astrology of 2020

FUN FACTS about the biggest players:

Saturn: the Lord of laws, authority, time, responsibilities, boundaries, structures, bones, spine and skeletal system.

It takes 1hour 19 min for the light of the Sun to reach Saturn. Saturn is like skin of our solar system. It used to be called "the dweller on the threshold" It is a borderline between what's visible with a naked eye and what's invisible, beyond our reach without special equipment. Planets beyond Saturn are regarded as mediators between our solar system and the galactic community. Saturn is the furthest from the Sun, so it's considered cold, his light is dim. It's also the slowest from the 7 visible bodies, because of the distance, so it rules the time, old age and its rings symbolically point to boundaries, limitations, obstacles. Traditionally it is one of the malefic planets. Saturn is about structure and without it nothing with form could exist. - It is interesting that the World card in tarot is associated with Saturn through the Golden Dawn system.

Saturn used to rule Aquarius too. Now only Capricorn, since Uranus got discovered. In shamanic astrology Capricorn is seen as elder, as grandmother/wise woman and man/one with experience and knowledge.

Saturn type sentences: But... I wish I had, Watch your step, You are late!, Look before you leap, Let's stop and think.

Ways of honouring Saturn: get a job or create a job. Saturn says he who hesitates gets bossed around. Work with your Saturn or someone else will. Solitude and introspection help to honour Saturn, as does work and getting your shit together.

Pluto: Lord of the Underworld, death, rebirth, transformation. Desires, power, all things unseen sex, spirits, ancestors and whatever is a taboo.

Pluto is far far away from the Sun- 39.5 times the Sun-Earth distance. Diameter of Pluto is slightly less than our Moon. Pluto has the largest eccentricity of all the

planets. From January 1979 to March 1999 Pluto was closer to Sun than Neptune! This brought up all sorts of Plutonic issues to the surface: Aids, nuclear fusion, esoteric knowledge becoming widely available, sexual revolutions with homosexual rights being recognised.

Latin name - Pluto. Greek name Hades- lord of the underworld and death. When Pluto and Jupiter/Jupiter/Zeus ruling over sky-heaven come together it is seen astrologically as a **massive accumulation of power**.

Pluto is intense, magnetic, has the need for transformation and the need for perfection and the absolute. It can be obsessive, overpowering and abusive.

Pluto sentences: More!, Don't stop. Wouldn't you like to know. I have to have it, even if it kills me. I just have to do that!. No limits...

Ways to honour Pluto: Saying to the invisible: Not my will, but thine. Releasing control. Feeling comfortable with not knowing. Remembering that anyone who was anyone in the myth, ancient world had to make a descent to the underworld: Persephone, Inanna, Psyche etc- and they all returned with greater power and restored. Restoring to sacredness that which was sacred and has become taboo: sexual rites, rituals of initiation, etc. Know your desires.

Pluto starts with a phase of chaos or destruction that ends up in a completely different order. We can observe it happening to our world: Saturn/Pluto opposition 9/11; Pluto enters Capricorn (rules business, banking systems and authority) in 2008- financial crisis. Matter is turned into chaos. Then reunited and reborn, transformed. Phoenix raising from the ashes.

Let's start with what is happening now:

- **Pluto** is in Capricorn.
- **Saturn** is in Capricorn.
- **Jupiter** is winding up its stay in Sagittarius and will be heading into Capricorn (EARTH!) in December.
- **Uranus** is retrograding in Taurus . EARTH- Very strong emphasis on earth element!
- **Neptune** is retrograding in Pisces but moves direct end of November.

What's interesting from the bigger picture we are shifting from the earth element to the air element.(not only will Jupiter and Saturn move into Aquarius, but also Pluto in 2024 is going into Aquarius, an air sign, and will be joined by Uranus in 2025 transiting from Taurus into Gemini- air sign as well!)

A quick look at the moon and how to best tune in for the next two months:

Nov 26th - new moon on the 4 degrees of Sag is a perfect time to use the positive/optimistic/adventure loving vibes of Sag to create visions and dream awake. Write a story of how you want your life to look like - says my astro teacher Maggie Kerr.

Dec 3rd - Jupiter arrives into Capricorn. It will stay there around 1 year- till Dec 2020, then moves into Aquarius.

Dec 12th - Full Moon in Gemini on 12th Dec - a great time to rewrite and speak wisely, with awareness. Watch the words that come out of your mouth!

Dec 26th - New Moon/**Solar Eclipse in Capricorn** is going to pave the way to global shifts in January 2020. Previous 19 years was in 2000 just before the world changed on 9/11 2001.

January 10th - Full Moon in Cancer and Lunar Eclipse Cancer 20deg

January 11th - Uranus goes direct in Taurus

January 12th - Saturn conjuncts Pluto in Capricorn at 22 deg (Mercury and Sun hang around too)

By January 13th all the planets move direct!

January 24 - New Moon in Aquarius - visualise long term goals, social justice, envision the earth you want to live on, revolutionise the way you care about others and the earth. Holding and energising the world you want to live in, is important! Imagine by John Lennon and Yoko Ono.

Also Pluto/Saturn/Jupiter conjunction square Eris- goddess of strife. This adds another level of friction.

As you can see it is not a light hearted time but a time that we are being asked to face our limitations and dig deep for our power. It is a time of transforming outdated systems of oppression and creating new foundations, structures for better world. Bullshit will be called out and we will be brought to our knees to look our shadow in the face. And we will raise from the ashes. And we will hold the vision of a fairer world. It is our responsibility!

As we prepare to head into 2020 our focus must encompass the complete ecosystem that drives Mother Earth and the urgent need to heal & restore her with co-operative intelligent design - physically, politically, economically and spiritually.

Is 2020 really a beginning then? Yes and no:)

It is one of the most important years preparing us for a global shift of values, yet another expansion of awareness of humanity and transformation of systems that don't work for us anymore, that destroy the earth and unity of humanity.

Worlds change when these huge players like Saturn, Pluto and Jupiter come together. In 2020 we are dealing with a conjunction - a melting and integrative and unifying aspect.

Pluto's last years in Capricorn will test us. These 4 years between 2020 and 2024 when Pluto moves into Aquarius and hopefully starts transforming the vision we seeded into reality - feel very important. We are learning about rites of passage, radical honesty, reality checks, huge psychological, physical and emotional and spiritual power surge and growth. Some will move mountains, and some will crush down. These transits call us to adult up and leave the deserving and the victim behind and do the work. The work must be done.

So 2020 is the beginning and the end.

The beginning in 2020 can be seen in the bigger cycles:

The rare triple conjunction of Saturn, Pluto and Jupiter in January 2020 is triggering a new 20 year Jupiter/Saturn (in Aquarius!) AND a new 38 year Saturn/Pluto AND a new 12 year Jupiter/Pluto cycle. So a dawn of the new era and ending to the old one!

This will have a profound effect on the global economy & governments due to the extreme concentration of planets in earth signs, as Uranus is also in Taurus.

But there is more:

Long Term 960 year Jupiter/Saturn Cycles are Amazing... Now here's another piece of research from Astrologer Wendy Stacey (England) who explains the longer-term cycles of these two "social planets" over a 960-year cycle!

This is broken up into 4 periods of 240 years in each element. These "Grand Mutation" cycles underpin the very nature of society's focus during these 240-year periods.

We are now completing 240 years in Earth signs that began in 1802 in Virgo & continued through Earth signs every 20 years, hence the primary focus on

money/resources/wealth/controlling/owning/security/feature of the past 240 years!

We had a big hint of the Air cycle now on the way with the conjunction of Jupiter/Saturn in Libra in 1980, setting the tone for social and human rights over the next 20 years, but then we had a final blast of the earth cycle with the May 2000 conjunction in Taurus. (This is how planet cycles operate, as they step into a new sign/element and then retro back one more time to complete the old cycle before full arrival into the new cycle...kind of like the retrograde motion principle.

For the first time since 1226 we are about to begin a new 960 year cycle of these conjunctions in Air Signs. **The Air principles are about sharing knowledge and ideas, inventiveness, people's rights, originality, fairness and equality take us to a whole new level of human evolution, technology etc**

Physically our energies move from the dense earth magnetisms that are attracted to meat and sugar to the air magnetism which is not very 'foodie' at all, and may have trouble remembering to eat! As Aquarius rules the central nervous system, our challenge will be to actually eat well and stay calm and focused!

This is a massive opportunity to deal with our material world issues to begin to create a whole NEW PARADIGM in human affairs. This initiates a truly 'epoch changing' transformational period when the big bosses of the Solar System demand that we 'get our act together' and begin to take responsibility!

The encounter with seeming 'fate' can unleash grief/pain/anger/helplessness or empowerment, realisations, integration and making things happen. The transits can entail a literal breakdown (of structures that don't hold us anymore), and as the 4 elements produce 4 primary types of people there are 4 primary 'breakdown styles':

- Fire Types—burn out
- Earth Types—get sick
- Air Types—mental breakdowns
- Water Types—emotional breakdowns

IMAGE TO HELP

Our imagination is one of our greatest gifts! Work with images and imagination might be a wonderful way to embrace the change in 2020 and beyond. IMAGES can help us to walk through these intense shifts and they can help us understand, release, explore and create new realities.

Have you ever thought about it that the ability to generate images and relate to them is a measure of mental health (very air element issue)? In true depression for instance there is marked constriction of the ability to produce images. Obsession or addiction, can be seen as a fixation on one image. Boredom, which is a form of depression, is also a temporary suspension of the spontaneity of images. We are lucky then to have help in the form of tarot/oracle decks, art galleries and art books etc.

When we work with an image we can differentiate between subjective - personal experience, social and biological conditioning- and objective/non-subjectively derived meaning of an image- collective unconscious- when ego might not know what an image really means, but your psyche does. We can call it an universal or archetypal image.

If you are interested of exploring this subject deeper- check out the book of Yoram Kaufmann "The way of the image" and Jungian analysts work.

Simplifying: He proposes we can translate or interpret an image. When we interpret an image we use our personal associations, our conditioning, often also our shadow and projections. An image of a spider can be really inspiring to some, whatever to others and really scary to an arachnophobic. Yet the true image of the spider has also an archetypal meaning attached to it, a set of meanings that is irrelevant to our personal interpretation. Our psyche recognises it before our mind tries to understand it.

A piece of music can be played by many various artists in many different arrangements and instruments. This would be interpretation of something "objective" - the piece of music itself. So each image has according to Kaufman a set of core, archetypal dimensions that when understood provides a point of reference to our inquiry.

Kaufmann calls it Orientational Approach.

If we just stick to interpreting the image, we tend to want to fit the image our belief system. Often we project our fears or hopes onto it. Take a Devil card- scary! Then read about the image, symbols, detach your personal fears and explore the image deeper. You might find an alternative reality to what you are going through.

If we also learn to translate the image through finding the essence of it and its dominant/archetypal meaning we get a chance to detach ourselves from "our" idea and see a situation from another perspective. It can be enlightening.

In a way we can regenerate ourselves through the transformative power of images. Images are the energy carriers of the psyche. So when we work with images consciously we can:

- **understand and explore our beliefs**
- **become aware of our fears, anxieties, sadness or joy, happiness etc**
- **learn to empower our dreams, transform our limitations, take responsibility for our creation**
- **create new avenues and realities**

Let's keep it simple and fun! Lets play with imagination and images...

We going to pull some images of how we imagine 2020. Ask yourself before you pull your images: not what 2020 can do to me but what I can give to it? How can I create with these powerful changes? What do I want to see in my life? What do I want to empower within myself? How can I gaslight the system, that wants to disconnect us from the earth and other human beings by creating illusionary separation through organised religions, borders and political actions?

What can YOU generate? YOU have power! And there will be a lot of celestial power to dip into! Do something with it:) Imagine and create. These transits of Pluto and Saturn demand of us transformation of our victimised, belittled, entitled self and finding a way to work with nature, to adult up, to put in the work- meaning to know your power, to know where your place in the web of live is, to start taking responsibility for your amazing ability to create this life.

***Take out your decks, magazines, art books. Look through them and **find images that first of all show in all honesty - where you find yourself right now.**

Are you scared? Are you on a roll? Are you tired? Are you inspired? Are you active? Passive? Is your life falling apart now? Are you starting new things? Have you just fallen in love? Broken up with someone? etc

It is really important to see and acknowledge the NOW. And truly embrace what ever you find here. Where are you right now? - pick images that show you you in pictures.

Sometimes it is difficult to say what we feel or where we are, but our psyche knows. So let the images impress you and pick them without thinking too much.

After you picked a few- sit with them and see what are your initial reactions to them. Then try to translate them from more objective perspective. Sometimes we can do it better, sometimes it is more difficult but do try. Research symbols, read about them from different sources, speak to friends...

*****If you are going through something difficult or if there is anything, you are wanting to shift in your life - find images that depict this.** You can pick a person, a situation or a quality that you know limits your expression. Or your truth. Or your honesty. Something that has to go or calls for integration.

Choose images fronts up. Go through your decks and pick cards that show you you now!

To get great insights, try this exercise I learned from Mellissae Lucia - pick one card that symbolises what is working in your life. Pick another card that shows what you think it's happening right now. And another one that shows what is really happening. The first card is a mediator between the other two.

First you can pick the cards fronts up but then you can also try picking the cards randomly: Try also: 1. Where am I now? 2. What is the ideal version- where do I want to be? 3 How to get from 1 to 3?

*****Then go through the images again and invite your imagination!** This time focus only on the amazing images that you love seeing, that inspire you, that you admire, that you'd like to embody or invite into your life...Create a vision board from your cards _tarot/oracles/or images- see yourself in a perfect world, perfect state, where you want to be, how you'd like to feel. What would the world you live in look like? What would you look like? Feel like?

Find images that empower you. Inspire you. Focus on the interpreting the images and then try to also translate them and see if there are any discrepancies in your findings. For example - a dark cave might feel like a welcome sign to you right now, because you are busy and stressed and want to just disappear- interpreting. But universally it is also a sign of the need to explore one's depths, internal learning and creative incubation. Etc. Play with options but focus on the positive visions! Dream awake! Dream big! Do not limit yourself here!

*****In the third stage pick a few images from the vision board (or you can start with one!) and use them to create some rituals. Do some psycho- magic with them!** Empower them through sound, intention, action. Be inventive. Put them on your altar. Put them around so that you can see them and engrave them in your imagination. Start living them. Make an effort to do something - an action- to show

the life that you are ready to be them. Create with them, dance them, write them etc. Empower your imagination through the images to focus your attention on what you want to see in your world and in the world around you.

It is so easy to fall prey to disempowered vision these days. Actually no-one wants to see too many empowered individuals. You can't rule those too easily.

I want to finish with a few 910points Caroline Myss made in her new book "The Courage to confront the Evil":

You are not power-less! Practice and exercise SOUL-SELF ESTEEM.

There is a shift of archetypes happening in our collective psyche-pay attention. The demonic is now offering to shepherd us and give us eternal life. Zombie and vampire archetype are romanticised and idealised. Priests and all our moral systems became demonic. There is eternal life on offer but only for the body not for the soul. We have collectively lost our moral compass. We have adapted to accept the horrible and lies as something normal. Evil is at our doorstep. We use words like consciousness etc but they are empty. Words like conscience or honour stopped being used and our personal responsibility and accountability is also gone.

But- as Caroline says- evil works according to universal laws too. And we all have a choice! Every thought we have or choose to empower makes a difference. Every choice you make - you create something. Beware of the victim archetype ruling you and disempowering you. Don't negotiate your power. Speak and think "light". Pay attention to the words you use. Starve words like blame or deserve, get over your childhood and adult up! Get yourself out of spiritual dumpster of separation and religions that became just empty verses of wisdom from ages ago - the world is becoming an organic church, synagogue, mosque- one huge expression of god.

Use images to remind yourself about your internal power. Or pain. Or love. Or fear. Naming means claiming. And claiming gives you power to accept and integrate. You are not ruled by what you don't see/understand.

Those of us who see if through a different lens have a tough job to do- we must hold the vision, imagine, empower these visions through embodied practice, day to day ordinary living and walking our talk. The area of empty, bombastic words and new age puffed up egos under the cover of enlightenment is gone! This is about integrity from the bottom to the top- body and spirit.

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