

Friendships and enmities between planets

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According to the pattern of planetary positions at a given time, the rays of one planet would be either intensified or counteracted by those of another planet or several other planets. We have to understand that if the rays of Planet A are intensified by Planet B, there is a friendship between two or the two are friends. On the other hand, if the rays of Planet C are counteracted by those of Planet D, there is enmity between them or they are enemies.

Friendship can be both permanent and temporary. The following table illustrates the permanent friendship and permanent enmity between planets and neutrality of some planets in relation to others.

Planets	Friends	Neutrals	Enemies
The Sun	The Moon, Mars, Jupiter	Mercury	Saturn, Venus
The Moon	The Sun, Mercury	Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Venus	None
Mars	Jupiter, the Moon, The Sun	Saturn, Venus	Mercury
Mercury	The Sun, Venus	Saturn, Mars, Jupiter	The Moon
Jupiter	The Sun, the Moon, Mars	Saturn	Mercury, Venus
Venus	Mercury, Saturn	Mars, Jupiter	The Moon, The Sun
Saturn	Venus, Mercury	Jupiter	Mars, The Moon, The Sun

Temporary friendship

Planets become temporary friends irrespective of permanent (naisargika) friendship depending on sign position in relation to one another. For example, planets found in the 2nd, 3rd, 4th 10th, 11th and 12th signs from the sign of a

given planet become the latter's temporary friends. Those in the remaining signs become temporary enemies. In reading a horoscope both types of friendship should be taken into account.

The following formula should be applied in judging relationships between planets.

Planetary castes

Hindu astrology, following the system of divisions in the Hindu society or the caste system, has divided planets too into castes. Venus and Jupiter are Brahmins, the Sun and Mars are Kshatriyas or warriors, the Moon is Vaishya or trader, Mercury Sudra or trader and Saturn is



Antyaja or the untouchable.

Planetary directions

The Sun indicates East, Venus, South east, Mars, South, Rahu, South West, Saturn West, the Moon North West, Mercury the North, and Jupiter North east.

Conjunctual peculiarities

Vakra or retrogression
Planets in the course of their movements in the Zodiac are obstructed by certain invisible forces called Mandochcha, Segrochcha and Patha as a result of which they become stationary for a while, make backward movements and again after sometime resume their natural journey. This phenomenon of going backwards is called retrogression.

Athichara or acceleration

If a planet moves from one sign to another faster than its usual speed it gets what is

known as Athichara or acceleration.

Sthambana or stagnation

If a planet occupies a certain sign longer than the usual period of stay that situation is described as sthambana or stagnation.

Astangata or combustion

Planets in intimate conjunction with the Sun become powerless and this state is called asthangata.

Sangama

Planets acquiring association with the Moon is called Samagama.

Arohana

The ascending direction of planets from the debilitation to exaltation is called Arohana.

Avarohana

The descending direction of planets is called Avarohana. The students of astrology should necessarily get familiar with above terms and the situations described by them.



Permanent friend + Temporary friend (Naisargika mitra + Tawakalika mitra)	= Best friend = Adhi mitra
Permanent friend + temporary enemy	= Neutral
Permanent enemy + temporary enemy	= Bitter enemy (adhi satru)
Permanent enemy + temporary friend	= Neutral
Permanent neutral + temporary friend	= Friend
Permanent neutral + temporary enemy	= enemy

What the stars foretell for your lagna

July 12 to 18

By Sudarshi

The auspicious days of the week: July 20 Monday till 10:24 a.m., July 23 Thursday - the whole day.



Aries (Mesha)

Your benefic planet Ravi who was occupying Gemini, the 3rd House for one month moves on to Taurus, the 4th House on July 17, to join Budha and Ketu who are already there. The other benefic planet Guru is occupying the 11th House, Aquarius ruled by Saturn. The Moon entering the 4th House Cancer on July 21 will cause a thri-graha yoga (a three-planet combination) which will produce good results. However, this yoga will end when the Moon exits the House on July 23. You will find yourself in a commanding position in the family circle and also the custodian of lands and vehicles and other property belonging to the family. The native can do well in law studies if he happens to be a student of that discipline. Jupiter in the 11th House indicates gains from an academic career and a philosophical disposition. Rahu now positioned in the 10th House is not auspicious for your parents, but will bring you political gains and fame. The lord of your 7th House Venus powerfully positioned in the 2nd House points to a happy marriage or love relationship. **The auspicious day:** Thursday **The auspicious colour:** Yellow **The auspicious number:** 9 The ideal partner would be a native of Aries, Leo or Sagittarius



Taurus (Vrushabha)

Your malefic planet Venus is occupying the Lagna in conjunction with Mars. This planetary combination can produce good and bad effects depending on the character and the upbringing of the native. The native can be an expert mathematician or a leader of people commanding magnetic power if he uses his talents and skills in the proper manner. The native is prone to head injuries. He should be careful enough not to be influenced by women and bridle the tendency to become adulterous. He should protect himself from possible accidents until August 16 and desist from leading a carefree jetset life at least until July 27. The Moon entering the Lagna on July 17 will intensify your easygoing nature. However, Jupiter will restrain your carefree pleasure seeking nature to some extent and bring you wealth, fame and respect from the society. **The auspicious day:** Friday **The auspicious colour:** Blue **The auspicious number:** 6 The ideal partner would be a native of Taurus, Virgo or Capricorn



Gemini (Mithuna)

Mars, Jupiter and the Sun are your evil planets. Venus alone is auspicious. Venus will enter the Lagna on July 27 when Saturn commanding the special aspect of it. Though the Lagna receives Jupiter's aspect as well it will cause no harm to the native. An excellent career of much fame is in store for you. The Moon possessing death-inflicting powers will enter the Lagna on July 19. But she will not cause you any harm. The Sun in the 2nd House will produce mixed results. You will earn well, but will be inclined to squander. Success in education and scientific efforts indicated. However, you have to control your peevish temper and stubborn nature. If the native is at the age of 25 he may face some danger from disease or enemies. You will make your mother happy and will be loved by fair sex. Jupiter despite being an evil planet for you will produce

very good results.

The auspicious day: Wednesday

The auspicious colour: Green

The auspicious number: 6

The ideal partner would be a native of Gemini, Libra or Aquarius



Cancer (Kataka)

The Sun's transit (Gochara) in the Lagna beginning July 17 will herald an auspicious period for you. You will achieve political success when the Sun is occupying the Lagna. But you have to control the tendency to perform daring deeds and disregard the need to safeguard your reputation. The Moon will enter the Lagna when the Sun and Mercury are already there. This is generally a good yoga, but can cause stammering in children. The Ketu-Mercury combination in the Lagna will make the native very studious if he happens to be a school child. Jupiter in the 8th House will bestow long life on the native. However, he is likely to become unhappy and suffer from colic pains. Rahu in the 7th House is not auspicious for the spouse. **The auspicious day:** Monday **The auspicious colour:** Yellow **The auspicious number:** 2 The ideal partner would be a native of Cancer, Scorpio or Pisces



Leo (Simha)

Mars your most favourable planet is now occupying the 10th House with Venus. Jupiter is also favourably positioned in the 7th House. The Saturn in the Lagna will make you restless and wander about aimlessly. The Lagna is receiving the special aspect of Mars while it is also being directly aspected by Jupiter. These aspects will greatly counter the ill-effects caused by Saturn. Mars in the 10th House make you persevering and hard working. You will

also reap benefits from your skills in fine arts. The bad period you are going through will greatly change for the better when the Sun enters the Lagna Leo on August 17. **The auspicious day:** Tuesday

The auspicious colour: Red

The auspicious number: 4

The ideal partner would be a native of Aries, Leo or Sagittarius



Virgo (Kanya)

Lord of your Lagna is mercury and your most favourable planet is Venus. Venus is now in transit in the 9th House of Taurus with Mars. Though Mars is not a good planet for natives of Virgo, he will certainly produce good results in the 9th House. Pilgrimages, foreign tours, success in education, high positions or promotions for children are strongly indicated. Mars in the 9th House will lose his wickedness and Venus will cause an elevation in the status and stature of the native's father. The native will achieve further success when Venus moves on to Gemini sign (the 10th House) on July 27. **The auspicious day:** Wednesday **The auspicious colour:** Green **The auspicious number:** 6 The ideal partner would be a native of Taurus, Virgo or Capricorn



Libra (Thula)

You will come under the Shani Lagna Erashtakaya come September 10. (Please look for details in the last week's forecast). However, you are fortunate that as a native of Libra, Saturn alone can produce a Rajayoga for you. Jupiter and Venus are inauspicious for you. Jupiter is now positioned in 5th House and Venus with Mars in the 8th House. Jupiter being the Putrakaraka is not auspicious for the 5th House and Mars being the Lord of 2nd and 7th

Houses will not produce good results while occupying the 8th House. Despite there being several factors that mitigate the ill-effects of these planets, the native is strongly advised to take all possible measures to protect his children, wife and self from all possible dangers at least till August 16. If you succeed in circumventing possible danger to life and limb, you can look forward to a great change for the better in your life after September 10. **The auspicious day:** Friday **The auspicious colour:** Green **The auspicious number:** 8 The ideal partner would be a native of Gemini, Libra or Aquarius



Scorpio (Vrushika)

Jupiter is a benefic. Mercury and Venus are evil. The Lord of your 5th House is in transit (gochara) with debilitated Venus in the 7th House. Meanwhile, the 6th House is receiving the special aspect of Mars. The native will go through a restless, busy and unhappy period until August 16. Illness of spouse and children will cause the native much anxiety and attending to their needs will keep him heavily occupied. You are strongly advised not undertake long journeys with spouse and children until Venus moves on to Gemini sign on July 28. Much of what was predicted for you in last week's forecast still holds good. You are advised to read it again. Despite the problems you have to face Jupiter in the 4th House will bring you the comforts of a good home and gains from lands and property. Your mother will be a source of great strength to you. **The auspicious day:** Monday **The auspicious colour:** White **The auspicious number:** 6 The ideal partner would be a native of Cancer, Scorpio or Pisces



Sagittarius (Dhanu)

Mars, your most favourable planet is the lord of the 5th and the 12th Houses. Your children will do well and they will be a source of great comfort to you. However, Mars rulership of the 12th House can cause damage to your property. You are advised to protect with special attention your lands, the house and vehicles from accidents, fires, floods and enemies. Remember that your evil planet Venus now in transit in the 6th House possesses death-inflicting powers and he may not spare your life if he gets the chance. Therefore, protect yourself and the family from accidents, enemies, thieves and robbers, until Venus exits the 6th House on July 27. However, Venus is likely to cause illness to your spouse when he enters the 7th House which is receiving Jupiter's special aspect greatly countering the harm that Venus may cause. **The auspicious day:** Thursday **The auspicious colour:** Yellow **The auspicious number:** 3 The ideal partner would be a native of Aries, Leo or Sagittarius



Capricorn (Makara)

Rahu in the Ascendant (Lagna) which is ruled by Saturn will give courage and dynamism to the native. The native will come into sudden wealth, but sorrows and mental worries are in the offing. Your most favourable planet Venus occupying the 5th House will produce good results. Saturn, despite being the owner of the Lagna has got death-inflicting powers. But he will behave well due to his being directly aspected by Ravi who is associated with Budha from the 7th House and therefore will cause no harm to the native. **The auspicious day:** Friday **The auspicious colour:** Blue **The auspicious number:** 8 The ideal partner would be a native of Taurus, Virgo or Capricorn

Aquarius (Kumba)

The native will gain political success and earn respect



from rulers. He will develop a magnetic personality and will become a leader among people. He will earn a reputation for his sagacity. A happy marriage or a love relationship indicated. Ravi in the 6th House with Mercury and Ketu makes the native defiant of customs and traditions and a clever planner. He will demonstrate his executive ability and turn out to be a terror to his enemies. The bad effects of Mars' presence in the 4th House will be countered by Venus who will produce good results. The native will either buy a new vehicle or move into a new residence. Saturn in the 7th House too assures political success and honours from foreign sources and also indicates a great deal of travelling. **The auspicious day:** Friday **The auspicious colour:** Green **The auspicious number:** 6 The ideal partner would be a native of Gemini, Libra or Aquarius



Pisces (Meena)

The Moon and Mars are your auspicious planets Jupiter in the 12th House is inauspicious and the native has to be careful not to get involved in litigation and disputes. Ravi in the 5th House indicates danger to father, unhappiness and a disturbed mind. Mercury in association with the Sun indicates that the native will get high office and he will earn fame by demonstrating administrative capacity and executive ability. Ravi in the 11th House indicates that the native will be popular among his subordinates. **The auspicious day:** Thursday **The auspicious colour:** Yellow **The auspicious number:** 3 The ideal partner would be a native of Cancer, Scorpio or Pisces.