

out in the stars

Feb. 21 - March 7

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A wild solar eclipse in Pisces on the 26th stirs up emotions and goads us into inappropriate or destructive action — especially in relation to romance. Count 10 days before and three days after the eclipse before you react, cousins. If it's still a match made in heaven, then start a raging fire.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20)

You can be too easily pushed into action by those who do not have your best interests at heart during this eclipse. Poor proud Ram; keep a beady eye out for offers that are too good to be true — they usually are. Any Rambo that fails to consider the paranoid repercussions of a particular act can wind up as roadkill on this karmic highway. Avoid hamburgers.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21)

You have two ears and two advisors each goading and cajoling you from their own selfish viewpoints. Lower the volume and the static during this tumultuous eclipse by finding the balance between friends and lovers for yourself. If you are a closeted Bull, you may be tempted to burst out in that china shop. Beware of breakage. Oh, what the heck; cause a ruckus!

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

Pluto's impact on relationships is corroded by the piscean eclipse. Gay Twins no sooner find the perfect mate in their own backyard than they're transferred to the Borneo headquarters or, perhaps even worse, dragged into messy office politics that zap their emotional payload. How soon before you cash in your chips and retreat to SOBE? Can't afford to! Count to three and try again.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

Feel like a mangy lab rat with a bad hair day on a never ending bumpy treadmill? Pink Crabs are betwixt and between, but not top or bottom during this eclipse hell. Before you cash in your chips and flee to seemingly greener pastures count one, two, three days after the eclipse and check for crabgrass. You may find that that particular shade of green clashes with lavender.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)

Talk about jumping from the frying pan into a raging fire! Proud, regal Lions may find the social scene too hot to trot during this feisty eclipse. Before you gleefully nose dive into that bubbling gay sexual cauldron and possibly singe your best assets, wait, wait, wait. Now, too much is, in fact, too, too much. After the eclipse, however, pack a snorkel and dive right in.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

Queer Virgins may feel that they are building castles in the air during this unsettling eclipse. Relationships undergo the acid test as the demands of partners seem to undercut your sense of well-being and personal security. But don't hop on that bulldozer and plow it under just yet. There needn't be a compromise between your privacy and your commitment to a partner.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

The difference between gainful employment and an unplanned early retirement is a few well aimed words at the powers that be. As the delusional Piscean eclipse trolls through your bread and butter, gay Libras are well advised not to spread foul comments about the job. Count one, two, three days after the eclipse and then piss and moan all you want. You still want to, don't you?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

Proud Scorps are no slouches when it comes to fun and games. However, you'll find yourself examining the bottom line during the piscean eclipse. "What cost jollies?" one is tempted to ask. It all may seem too expensive in terms of both money and personal compromise. Well, that's today. After the eclipse, things look quite different; life becomes one big jolly bargain again.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)

Proud Archers feel this particular eclipse more than most folks because their natal Sun is squashed by both Pluto in Sag and the hard eclipse in Pisces. Any hope of developing a good self-image will have to wait. In the meantime, avoid mirrors and first time meetings to preserve your sanity. In reality, of course, you have been and will always be your beautiful, proud self.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)

Prepare for a few unpleasant surprises during the delusional piscean eclipse. Gay Goats can catch hoof in mouth if they're not vigilant. My advice: Avoid dispensing your pearls of wisdom to any old swine that happens to troll by; it will only be used against you. Wait three days after the eclipse before you use that tongue again...for speech that is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

You will be amazed how a little cash will scuttle friendships during the solar eclipse. Maybe it's because Aqueerians will now feel that a friend in need is a drain on resources. That may, in fact, be true now, but count one, two, three days after the eclipse and you'll soon feel like a rotten cheapo and a crummy pal. Believe me, a fiver here and there won't break your bank.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - March 20)

Gay Pisces feel the brunt of the eclipse more so than most signs. It's conjuncting your Sun at the same time that Pluto is squaring your Sun. Poor pink piscean Sun! Everything that you're working toward may suddenly seem meaningless and burdensome. Your self-image and sense of self may be adversely impacted. However, just like a kidney stone, this too shall pass. Ouch. ▼

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