

2018: Time to Get Serious

Saturn is powerful in its sign of rulership, Capricorn (Dec. 2017 - Dec. 2020), and both incline us to be serious, mature, hardworking, traditional, organized and business-like.

It seems that every time something good is happening, it's accompanied by something not so good. That's how we end up with an easier year but without a single "5" day.*

High Points	Low Points
Jan. 8-9 Sun, Venus & Pluto join together	Mars hits Uranus & Neptune 5/16 - 5/19
Feb. 15 Solar Eclipse (easiest eclipse of 2018) w/ Mercury sextile Uranus	6/13 New Moon & 6/14 Venus shoves Uranus-Neptune semisquare (ex. 6/14)
March 4 Mercury, Venus & Chiron join & Sun is together with Neptune: "4" day!	LOTS of planets retrograde! eight 8/7 - 8/19, seven: 7/26- 8/7 and 8/20 - 8/27
May 13-14 Venus, Mars & Jupiter QT (in orb at 5/15 New Moon), 5/18 a "4" day!	Difficult eclipses: 7/27 Lunar Eclipse is worst, 8/11 Solar Eclipse runner-up
June 1-2 Venus, Jupiter & Neptune in Grand Trine (morning of 6/1 is best)	Late July/early August Jupiter, Saturn and Chiron tangle
July 6-7 two QTs, both "3" days (see below)	Sept. 8 Venus square Mars at station °s
Oct. 13-14 Sun-Saturn-Neptune QT & 10/15 "4" with Mercury & Venus joining	Sept. 24 Full Moon w/ Sun & Mercury close in T-square w/ Saturn & Chiron
12/22 New Moon at 0° Capricorn on Winter Solstice - important month, season	Nov. 16 Venus turns Direct & Mercury turns Retrograde both on the same day!
Mixed / Partly Positive	& Partly Challenging
June 4-6 three planets at the boundary: Mercury, Venus & Ceres ("parallel")	8/26 Full Moon: two QTs w/ challenging patterns, a Kite near dawn; 8/29 "4"
Best Aspects	Worst Aspects
Chiron quintile Pluto 6/26 & 9/5; Venus forms QT 3 times: 7/6, 9/19-20, 10/20-23	Jupiter semisquare Saturn 12/22/17, 3/14 & 9/3
Jupiter sextile Pluto 1/15, 4/14 & 9/12	Uranus semisquare Nept. 6/16, 12/15
Jupiter trine Neptune 12/2/17 (a "2" not a "4" - error in <i>2017 Janet's Plan-its</i>), 5/25 & 8/19 (see June 1-2 above)	Uranus T-square w/ Nodes mid-July to Jan 2019 (exact 12/2); Mars joins in late July - Sept; Venus forms Grand Cross late Oct to early Dec (Full Moon 10/24)
Easiest seasonal chart: spring	Toughest seasonal chart: fall

* In *Janet's Daily Plan-its*, each day is rated on a scale of 1 - 5: 1 is lowest, 5 highest.

NOTEWORTHY

The final degree of the zodiac is considered to be a difficult position, often associated with suffering and certainly with selflessness and near invisibility (or melting into the universal one-ness). Chiron (the "repairman") passes through this degree for three periods, two of which are in 2018: 3/30 - 4/17, 9/25 - 10/18, and in 2019: 1/28 - 2/18.

Pluto, normally inclined 17° relative to earth's orbit, crosses the Sun's apparent path around earth (ecliptic) in intervals of 87 and 161 years apart. 2018 is such a year! The date isn't definite: July 8 per NASA, Oct. 24 - 31 according to other sources. The last time was 1931 and it won't happen again until 2179. I don't know what this portends.

Month-by-Month Run-down

Jan pretty tame	April mildly stressful	July mixed	Oct mildly stressful
Feb easiest month	May mostly good	Aug mixed	Nov mildly stressful
March stressful	June stressful	Sept mixed	Dec stressful

Outlook for the Signs

The zodiac wraps around a chart and everybody has every sign somewhere in the chart.

Sign	Outlook
Aries [3/20 - 4/19]	New Moon 4/15 conjunct Uranus before it leaves for Taurus. Chiron arrives 4/17. Mercury Rx. Eris is here 100+ years! At 23° now.
Taurus [4/19 - 5/20]	Crazy Uranus in Taurus is in a long-term T-square with the Nodes. 5/15 New Moon is nice. Ruler Venus goes retrograde in the fall.
Gemini [5/20 - 6/21]	Very little activity. The only stress comes from squares from Neptune or Chiron in Pisces. Late in 2018 Jupiter opposes from Sagittarius.
Cancer [6/21 - 7/22]	North Node enters Cancer 11/15 and eclipses occur in Cancer beginning with Solar Eclipse 7/12 opposite Pluto (wide T-sq w/ Eris).
Leo [7/22 - 8/22]	North Node finishing in Leo 11/15. Solar Eclipse 8/11 is next to last in this round of eclipses, and it's quite stressful. (Last one 1/21/19.)
Virgo [8/22 - 9/22]	Very little activity. The major stress comes from oppositions from Neptune or Chiron in Pisces. 9/9 New Moon opposite Neptune.
Libra [9/22 - 10/23]	Ruling planet Venus: QT w/ Saturn-Neptune at 8/26 Full Moon, Rx in fall partly in Libra, 3 Grand Crosses with Uranus-Nodes T-square.
Scorpio [10/23 - 11/22]	Jupiter visits 10/10/17 - 11/8/18. Part of Venus Retrograde is here. Opposition from Uranus entering Taurus. Squares from the Nodes.
Sagittarius [11/22 - 12/21]	Ruling planet Jupiter arrives 11/8/18 for 13 months. Jupiter semi-square Saturn 3X in 2018. Otherwise not much activity.
Capricorn [12/21/17 - 1/19/18] & [12/21/18 - 1/20/19]	Pluto is here 2008-2024. Comes into range of square to Eris (not exact until 2020), in T-squares with the Moon and Sun at 7/12/18 Solar Eclipse and 10/8/18 New Moon. Ruling planet Saturn in Capricorn 3 years (up to 9° in 2018); semisquare with Jupiter 3X in 2018. A bit of 2018 Mars Retrograde occurs in Capricorn.
Aquarius [1/19/18 - 2/18]	South Node is here most of the year. Solar Eclipse here on 2/15 is tame, Lunar Eclipse on 7/27 is very difficult (Mars Rx in Aquarius in T-sq. w/ ruling planet Uranus & Nodes). Uranus semisquare Neptune
Pisces [2/18 - 3/20]	Ruling planet Neptune here 2012-2025. Chiron finishes 8-year visit (conjunct Moon/Sun at 3/17 New Moon). Chiron semisquare Uranus.

Dates in brackets show when the Sun is in these signs in 2018, listed in zodiac order.

Where to Get Serious (estimated) house of Saturn's Transit according to Rising Sign

Aries	10	Cancer	7	Libra	4	Capricorn	1
Taurus	9	Leo	6	Scorpio	3	Aquarius	12
Gemini	8	Virgo	5	Sagittarius	2	Pisces	11

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