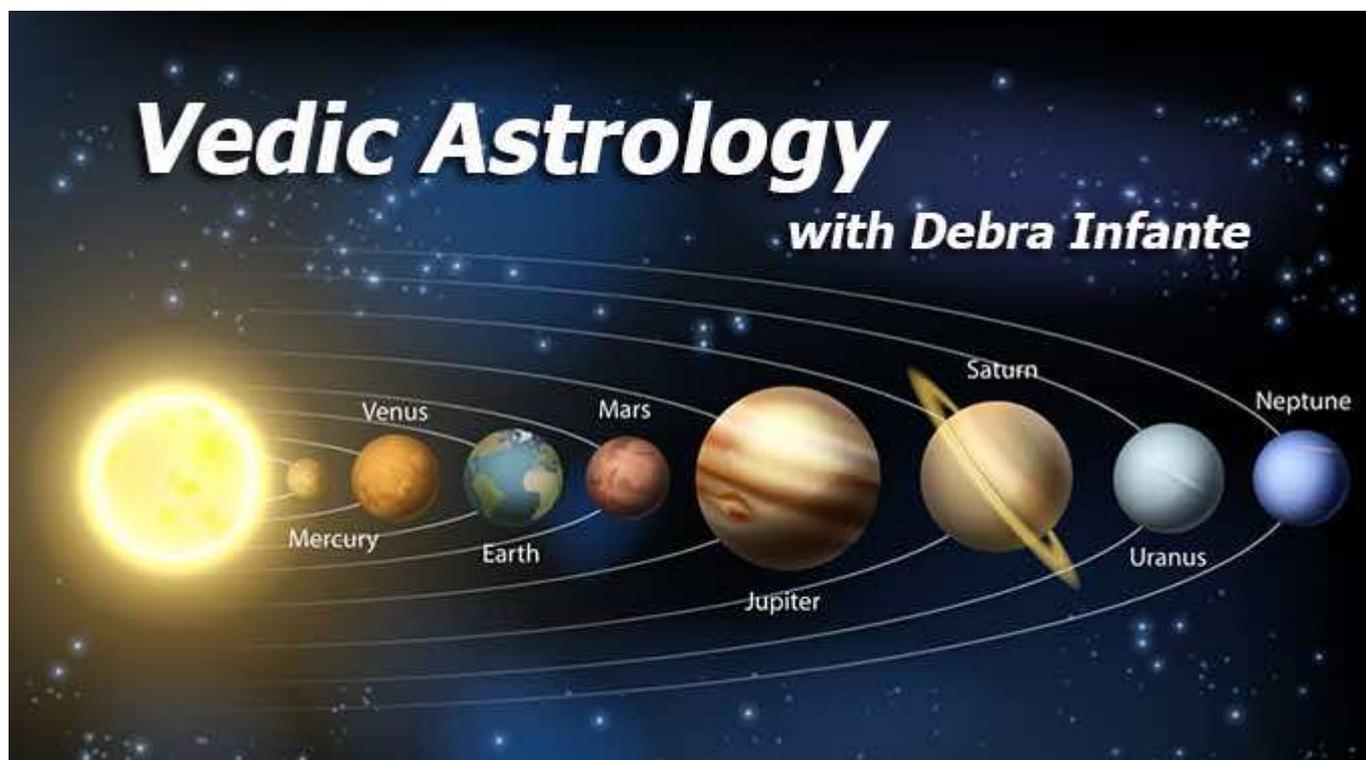


Vedic Astrology Report for November 2020: Sudden Shifts and New Beginnings



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November is a month of powerful astrological activity and shifting energies in our world, especially during these last two months of 2020. Mercury and Mars both retrograde at the beginning of the month, go direct. Venus leaves its sign of debility in mid-November. Jupiter moves to Capricorn its sign of debility on November 20, where it joins Saturn, setting up a rare, major conjunction. Finally on November 30, 2020, we experience a lunar eclipse which starts the fall eclipse season.

Mercury, planet of communications and travel, goes direct at 1 degree Libra on November 3, 2020, (US Presidential Election Day), having been retrograde since October 13. As Mercury shifts direction on Election Day, we hope there won't be any

technical or computer glitches, so double-check your ballot if you are voting that day. Mercury also rules the mail, so let's see if any issues arise around mail-in ballots being counted. As Mercury begins direct motion, we slowly start to experience greater clarity, discernment, and ease in our communications and business transactions.

On November 13, 2020, Mars, planet of action, energy, and force, goes direct at 21 degrees Pisces, having been retrograde for two months, since September 9. But during the first two weeks of November, when Mars is still retrograde, we can experience reversals, lack of direction, along with built up tensions, frustrations, and even misdirected anger. Passive-aggressive energies can occur during retrograde Mars periods. We feel powerless or want to avoid our true feelings. Find proper outlets for the build-up of tension, with physical activities such as yoga, tai chi, or long hikes in nature, along with mindfulness or meditation practices.

Our energies slowly begin to move forward after November 13 as Mars goes direct. We feel more energized, vital, determined, and enthusiastic. It is a good time to resolve any miscommunications or arguments that occurred in the past two months. Assess what you have learned, come to new understandings, and carefully strategize, so you can achieve your goals. We want to make a more positive, uplifting impact on the world as Mars goes direct.

Venus, planet of relationships, healing and finance, transits Virgo, its weaker sign, the first half of the month. As Virgo is a service-oriented sign, this is an excellent period to donate your time to worthy causes, which gives us purpose. But in matters of the heart, Venus in Virgo is kind, but also wants perfection, so watch for over-criticizing those close to you. On November 14, 2020 Venus is at 27 degrees Virgo, its exact degree of debility.

On November 16, Venus moves to its own sign of Libra, staying

there until December 10, 2020. Venus is happy here and quite artistic, so this is a positive time to explore your creativity. With Venus in Libra we are learning to create harmony and balance, especially in relationships. Venus will be in Libra during the Thanksgiving holiday in the US, so especially this year, be grateful for all you have, and appreciate family members and friends who surround you.

Jupiter shifts from its own sign of Sagittarius on November 20, 2020, and begins its new transit through the Saturn-ruled sign of Capricorn, its sign of debility, until April 5, 2021. Jupiter will again move back to Capricorn for a brief stint from September 15, 2021 until November 20, 2021. Jupiter rules prosperity, financial markets, spirituality, optimism, dharma, faith, law, the court system, and education. We may see some restriction or delays in these areas. Find activities that generate hope and purpose and expand your view of the sacredness in all life. Jupiter in Capricorn is a good time to be more dedicated to your spiritual practice. Let go of apathy.

Jupiter joins Saturn in Capricorn, a no-nonsense, practical, earth sign. Later in December 2020, we experience the exact conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn, a major event that occurs every 20 years. Jupiter, planet of prosperity and expansion, now travels with Saturn, planet of responsibility and hard work. For greater success its best to be realistic, committed, kind, self-responsible, and patient.

At the end of November the fall eclipse season begins, with a lunar eclipse on November 30, 2020 occurring at 14 degrees Taurus at 2:29 AM MST in the nakshatra of Rohini. The second eclipse of the pair is a total solar eclipse on December 14, 2020.

The lunar eclipse on November 30 in the sign of material wealth (Taurus) indicates a focus on financial security, as we evaluate our true values, both personally and globally. Where

do we place our attention and energy? What is essential to our well-being? This eclipse can reveal the depth of our attachment to the material realms. This eclipse may also help us find new, alternative ways to generate income, as some of the old ways are changing. Also, Taurus is an earth sign, so this eclipse may reveal the true state of the climate crisis and ways to connect and be in balance with nature.

Rohini nakshatra connected to this eclipse also relates to financial dealings, commerce, and the physical world. But Rohini is quite a creative and fertile nakshatra, and has strong family values. This eclipse carries a strong need to open to our creative potential in all areas of our life. On the challenging side, issues of jealousy and possessiveness may create problems around this eclipse, as we consider shared resources.

As the Moon and Rahu are both exalted in Taurus during this November lunar eclipse, it is extra potent, and life may speed up or amplify. Eclipses can bring change, sudden shifts, new beginnings, and increased awareness, as things unknown to us are now revealed. In general, eclipses are days for spiritual initiation where our spiritual path can be illuminated.



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