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Introduction

To fully benefit from this portrait, we suggest that you read its introduction and its preamble carefully, and then that to take the time to soak up the interpretations of each chapter. Given the large number of texts, which mirrors the human being's complexity, you may need to go through the contents several times, so as to get a good grasp of their meaning and to know yourself better. This will reward your patience.

The purpose of this report is to describe your psychological portrait and to highlight the most fundamental features on the personal area. The report begins with the analysis of your planetary dominants and outlines your personality's general traits before going into further detail. Minor dominants are analysed at the end of Annex 1, for purposes of clarity. Your report then delineates the various facets of your personality:

In general, even when relationships are not involved, we express ourselves and we feel according to our character and our personal motivations: this is indicated by the Ascendant and the Sun sign which both give details on the way we function. They shed a tremendously important light which allows to figure out your personality. Here, we describe your Sun sign (your inner self), your Ascendant (your behaviour as seen by others), and the ruler of the Ascendant (interesting additional pieces of information about the style of your personality). These descriptions alone cover nearly a third or a half of your psychological signature, depending on your natal chart characteristics.

Then, we address your sensitivity, or in other words, the way you receive things and how you express your emotions ; it works as a constant filter for all your exchanges, even when it becomes a more secondary element in your amorous relationship, because at that moment, affectivity prevails. Sensitivity is the way you perceive things, it is your radar, your daily mood, and at the same time, it indicates how you react to your entourage, on a daily basis. It is what others immediately see of you. In the second paragraph, we explain in which areas of life your sensitivity and your emotions are strongest, therefore, where you are most vulnerable.

After this, it is your affectivity, the way you love and how you charm, that comes into play as soon as you fall in love: the first part indicates its basic structure or its main form. The second part describes the areas where it is best expressed and how you display it, according to your personality.

A third fundamental area deals with your mode of action and your sexuality: how you behave, how you manage to obtain what you want, what kind of desires you have. There are twelve possibilities, very

different from one another. The study discloses the specific one that applies to you. In the second paragraph, we explain in which life areas you may most efficiently take advantage of your capacity for action and for conquest.

Your ways of communicating and of thinking are obviously among the major elements that must be integrated into the delineation and the description of your personality. Indeed, they influence your general behaviour and may modify or enhance the image your project (for instance, extraversion may “compensate” a weak affectivity, but a huge number of cases are possible). An additional chapter indicates the favourite areas where you enjoy communicating, thinking and meeting with people.

Besides, we analyze an even more personal aspect that is important to define and understand what may occur within your couple: each of us have a centre of interest, a privileged manner to be fulfilled or to achieve our destiny; this main motivation is indicated by the positions of your Sun and your chart ruler in the astrological houses and we provide you with its detailed description.

A natal chart contains the potential for specific fulfilment and a whole range of assets, protections and qualities. How does the lucky factor manifest in your personality? In which area can you best exploit your qualities? The answers are precisely revealed to you in this chapter.

On the other hand, we all feel in us a part of vulnerability, doubts and fears. How does this part of solemnity or serious side play out? How is it possible to handle it in order to evolve and to get rid of useless elements? All this information is provided to you in these two paragraphs.

Then, you can discover three additional traits of your personality that must be considered as secondary ones. They deal with your predispositions, which means that they need to be triggered by external events because they are not influenced by your will; let's call it a part of fate. Please, bear in mind that your destiny can unfold only in accordance with what you are: therefore, even if they belong to your more unconscious self, these characteristics are parts of you, definitely.

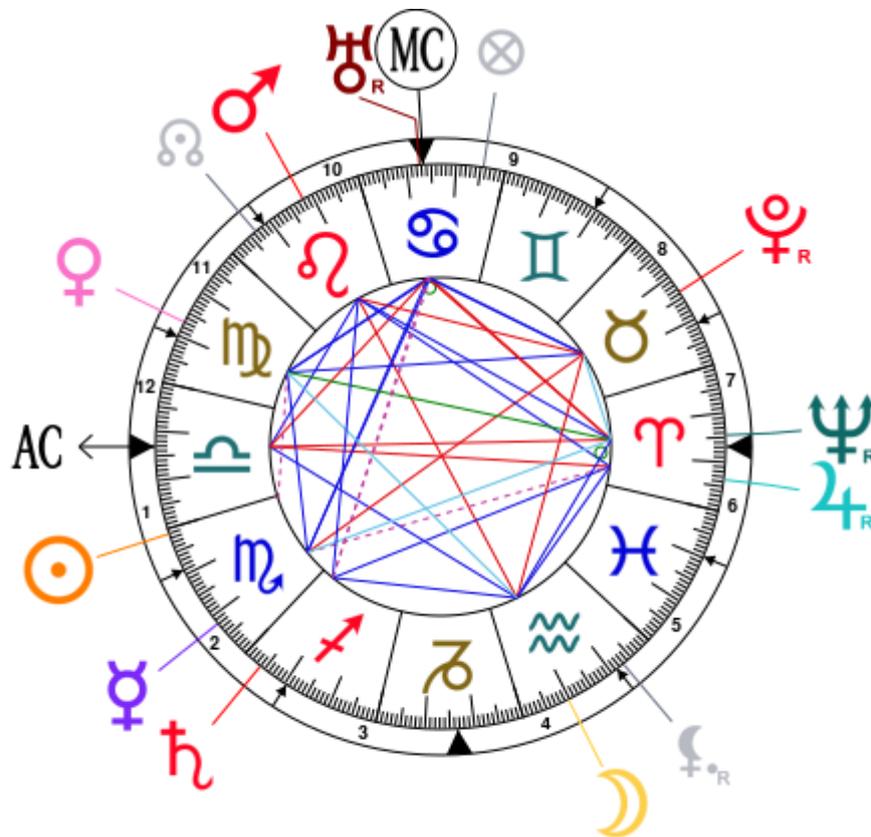
The karmic chart complements the psychological portrait or natal chart. It is based on the positions of the Lunar Nodes, the Black Moon, and the Part of Fortune. These elements of the chart, sometimes referred to as fictitious points, provide information about the spiritual meaning of your destiny. Owing to the fact that we all have in us acquired knowledge and the urge to go on a quest, our life is an evolutionary journey... However, these texts must be read with great caution: this is the reason why you will find this analysis in the Annex 2 of your report.

Your Planets, Houses, Aspects, and Natal Chart

Alexandra David-Néel, born October 24, 1868, at 05:00 AM, St Mandé (Ile-de-France), France [2.25E ; 48.50N ; 0E09]

Natal Planets				In House	Natal Houses (Placidus)	
☉ Sun	1°05'	♏	Scorpio	House 1	House 1	13°08' ♎ Libra
☾ Moon	9°45'	♒	Aquarius	House 4	House 2	8°58' ♏ Scorpio
☿ Mercury	21°52'	♏	Scorpio	House 2	House 3	10°28' ♐ Sagittarius
♀ Venus	17°01'	♍	Virgo	House 11	House 4	16°38' ♐ Capricorn
♂ Mars	11°58'	♌	Leo	House 10	House 5	21°21' ♒ Aquarius
♃ Jupiter	6°25' R	♈	Aries	House 6	House 6	20°13' ♉ Pisces
♄ Saturn	4°00'	♐	Sagittarius	House 2	House 7	13°08' ♈ Aries
♅ Uranus	17°25' R	♋	Cancer	House 10	House 8	8°58' ♉ Taurus
♆ Neptune	15°29' R	♈	Aries	House 7	House 9	10°28' ♊ Gemini
♇ Pluto	16°20' R	♉	Taurus	House 8	House 10	16°38' ♋ Cancer
♁ Node	23°32'	♌	Leo	House 11	House 11	21°21' ♌ Leo
♁ Lilith	22°58' R	♒	Aquarius	House 5	House 12	20°13' ♍ Virgo
AS AS	13°08'	♎	Libra			
MC MC	16°38'	♋	Cancer			

In keeping with the common practice, we consider that a planet posited within 1 degree of the next house belongs to that house. We allow an orb of 2 degrees for the ASC and the MC.



List of Your Active Planetary Aspects

Please find below the list of all the active inter-aspects which are interpreted in this report, in addition to your planets in sign, in house, and all your planetary dominants. Since the aspects between slow-moving planets are of a collective nature, they are not displayed, in compliance with our interpretation rules.

- ☆☆☆☆☆ Sun semi-square Venus, orb -0° 56'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Moon bi-quintile Venus, orb -1° 16'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Moon opposite Mars, orb -2° 13'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Moon sextile Jupiter, orb -3° 19'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Moon sextile Saturn, orb 5° 45'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Moon sextile Neptune, orb 5° 44'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Moon square Pluto, orb 6° 35'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Moon trine Ascendant, orb -3° 23'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mercury sextile Venus, orb 4° 51'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mercury sesqui-quadrate Jupiter, orb -0° 27'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mercury trine Uranus, orb 4° 26'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mercury bi-quintile Neptune, orb -0° 22'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mercury opposite Pluto, orb -5° 32'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mercury trine Midheaven, orb 5° 13'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Venus sextile Uranus, orb -0° 24'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Venus inconjunction Neptune, orb 1° 31'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Venus trine Pluto, orb 0° 41'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Venus sextile Midheaven, orb 0° 22'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mars trine Jupiter, orb 5° 33'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mars trine Saturn, orb -7° 58'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mars trine Neptune, orb -3° 31'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mars square Pluto, orb -4° 21'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Mars sextile Ascendant, orb 1° 09'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Jupiter trine Saturn, orb 2° 25'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Jupiter opposite Ascendant, orb -6° 43'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Saturn sesqui-quadrate Midheaven, orb 2° 21'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Uranus square Ascendant, orb -4° 17'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Uranus conjunction Midheaven, orb 0° 47'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Neptune opposite Ascendant, orb -2° 21'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Neptune square Midheaven, orb 1° 08'
- ☆☆☆☆☆ Pluto sextile Midheaven, orb 0° 18'

Meaning of Stars

Stars indicate the strength of the aspects. Two solid coloured stars (there are half-stars also), mean that the aspect is powerful enough to be noticed at the first reading.

We strongly advise that you read the paragraphs displaying less than two stars later on, after you have absorbed the full import of the other texts.

The yellow colour indicates a soothing and conciliating aspect, and the red colour, a dynamic and tense aspect. The red aspects enable you to evolve, to take action, and to learn to turn your "weaknesses" into assets through your life experiences. The yellow aspects are innate strengths on which you rely in order to grow better with the former...

Preamble

When interpreting a natal chart, the best method is to start gradually from general features to specific ones. Thus, there is usually a plan to be followed, from the overall analysis of the chart and its structure, to the description of its different character traits.

In the first part, an overall analysis of the chart enables us to figure out the personality's main features and to emphasize several points that are confirmed or not in the detailed analysis: in any case, those general traits are taken into account. Human personality is an infinitely intricate entity and describing it is a complex task. Claiming to rapidly summarize it is illusory, although it does not mean that it is an impossible challenge. It is essential to read a natal chart several times in order to absorb all its different meanings and to grasp all this complexity. But the exercise is worthwhile.

In brief, a natal chart is composed of ten planets: two luminaries, the Sun and the Moon, three fast-moving or individual planets, Mercury, Venus and Mars, two slow-moving planets, Jupiter and Saturn, and three very slow-moving planets, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. Additional secondary elements are: the Lunar Nodes, the Dark Moon or Lilith, Chiron and other minor objects. They are all posited on the Zodiac wheel consisting of twelve signs, from Aries to Pisces, and divided into twelve astrological houses.

The first step is to evaluate the importance of each planet. This is what we call identifying the dominant planets. This process obeys rules that depend on the astrologer's sensitivity and experience but it also has precise and steady bases: thus, we can take into account the parameters of a planet's activity (the number of active aspects a planet forms, the importance of each aspect according to its nature and its exactness), angularity parameters; (proximity to the four angles, Ascendant, Midheaven, Descendant and Imum Coeli or Nadir, all of them being evaluated numerically, according to the kind of angle and the planet-angle distance) and quality parameters (rulership, exaltation, exile and fall). Finally, other criteria such as the rulership of the Ascendant and the Midheaven etc. are important.

These different criteria allow a planet to be highlighted and lead to useful conclusions when interpreting the chart.

The overall chart analysis begins with the observation of three sorts of planetary distributions in the chart: Eastern or Western hemisphere, Northern or Southern hemisphere, and quadrants (North-eastern, North-western, South-eastern and South-western). These three distributions give a general tone in terms of introversion and extraversion, willpower, sociability, and behavioural predispositions.

Then, there are three additional distributions: elements (called triplicity since there are three groups of signs for each one) - Fire, Air, Earth and Water - corresponding to a character typology, modality (or quadruplicity with four groups of signs for each one) - Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable - and polarity (Yin and Yang).

There are three types of dominants: dominant planets, dominant signs and dominant houses. The novice thinks astrology means only "to be Aries" or sometimes, for example, "to be Aries Ascendant Virgo". It is actually far more complex. Although the Sun and the Ascendant alone may reveal a large part of the character - approximately a third or a half of your psychological signature, a person is neither "just the Sun" (called the sign) nor just "the first house" (the Ascendant). Thus, a particular planet's influence

may be significantly increased; a particular sign or house may contain a group of planets that will bring nuances and sometimes weaken the role of the Ascendant, of the Sun sign etc.

Lastly, there are two other criteria: accentuations (angular, succedent and cadent) which are a classification of astrological houses and types of decanates that are occupied (each sign is divided into three decanates of ten degrees each). They provide some additional informations.

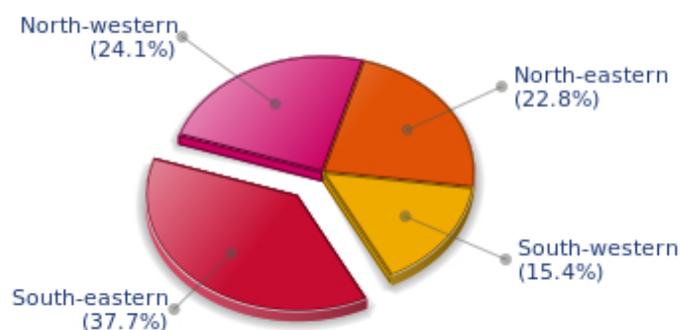
These general character traits must not be taken literally; they are, somehow, preparing for the chart reading. They allow to understand the second part of the analysis, which is more detailed and precise. It focuses on every area of the personality and provides a synthesis of all the above-mentioned parameters according to sound hierarchical rules.

As explained in the introduction of your Psychological Portrait report, minor dominants are analysed at the end of Annex 1, for purposes of clarity.

Your Planetary Repartitions

Each quadrant is a combination of the four hemispheres of your birth chart and relates to a character typology. The Southern hemisphere – the top of your chart, around the Midheaven – is associated with extraversion, action, and public life, whereas the Northern hemisphere prompts to introversion, reflexion, and private life. The Eastern hemisphere – the left part, around the Ascendant – is linked to your ego and your willpower, whereas the Western hemisphere indicates how other people influence you, and how flexible you are when you make a decision.

Your Four Quadrants

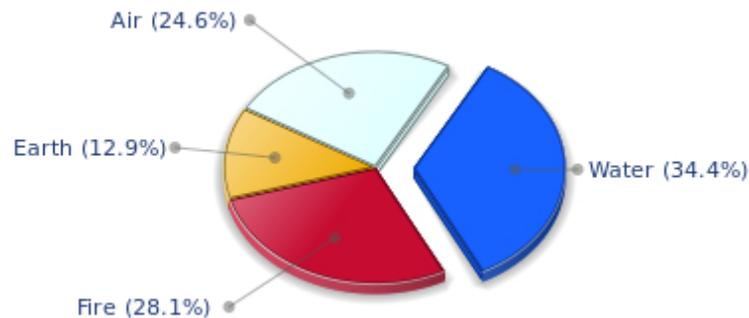


Alexandra David-Néel, the diurnal South-eastern quadrant, consisting of the 10th, 11th and 12th houses, prevails in your chart: assertion and goals achievement are at the centre of your concerns. You are very keen to implement your dreams and your plans. You achieve your ambitions as soon as possible, whether through an active social life, highly charged friendly relations, or an urge to take actions in order to reap - in the eyes of the world, of course - the rewards of your dynamism. It is likely that spirituality or humanitarian actions are part of your motivations, sometimes at the price of some degree of isolation.

Your Dominant Modes and Elements

Alexandra David-Néel, here are the graphs of your Elements and Modes, based on planets' position and angles in the twelve signs:

Your Four Elements

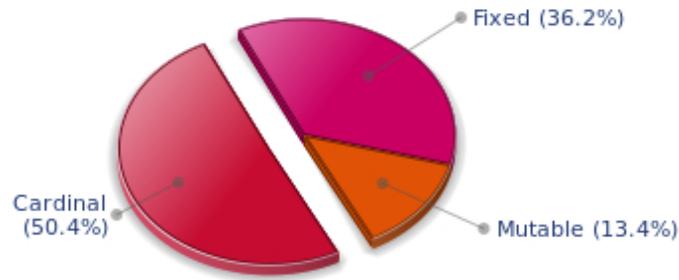


The predominance of Water signs indicates high sensitivity and elevation through feelings, Alexandra David-Néel. Your heart and your emotions are your driving forces, and you can't do anything on Earth if you don't feel a strong affective charge (as a matter of fact, the word "feeling" is essential in your psychology). You need to love in order to understand, and to feel in order to take action, to the detriment of a certain vulnerability against which you should learn to fight.

Alexandra David-Néel, Fire is dominant in your natal chart and endows you with intuition, energy, courage, self-confidence, and enthusiasm! You are inclined to be passionate, you assert your willpower, you move forward, and come hell or high water, you achieve your dreams and your goals. The relative weakness of this element is the difficulty to step back or a kind of boldness that may prompt you to do foolish things.

The twelve zodiacal signs are split up into three groups or modes, called quadruplicities, a learned word meaning only that these three groups include four signs. The Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable modes are more or less represented in your natal chart, depending on planets' positions and importance, and on angles in the twelve signs.

Your Modes



Alexandra David-Néel, the Cardinal mode is dominant here and indicates a predisposition to action, and more exactly, to impulsion and to undertake: you are very keen to implement the plans you have in mind, to get things going and to create them. This is the most important aspect that inspires enthusiasm and adrenalin in you, without which you can grow weary rapidly. You are individualistic (maybe too much?) and assertive. You let others strengthen and improve the constructions which you built with fervour.

Your Dominants: Planets, Signs and Houses

The issue of dominant planets has existed since the mists of time in astrology: how nice it would be if a person could be described with a few words and one or several planets that would represent their character, without having to analyse such elements as rulerships, angularities, houses, etc!

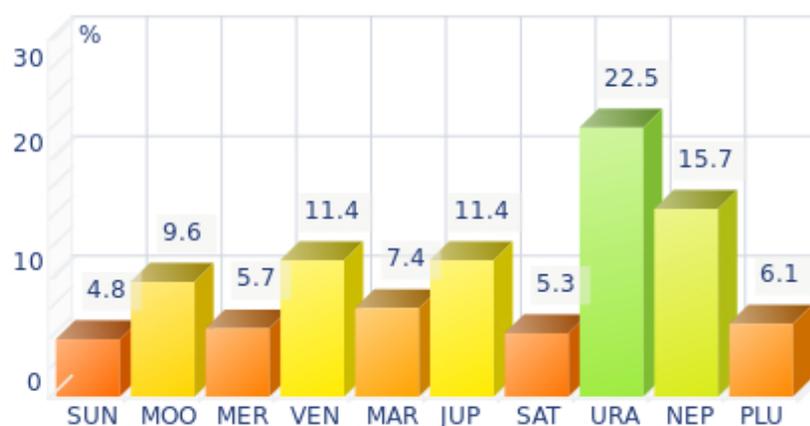
The ten planets - the Sun throughout Pluto - are a bit like ten characters in a role-play, each one has its own personality, its own way of acting, its own strengths and weaknesses. They actually represent a classification into ten distinct personalities, and astrologers have always tried to associate one or several dominant planets to a natal chart as well as dominant signs and houses.

Indeed, it is quite the same situation with signs and houses. If planets symbolize characters, signs represent hues - the mental, emotional and physical structures of an individual. The sign in which a planet is posited is like a character whose features are modified according to the place where he lives. In a chart, there are usually one, two or three highlighted signs that allow to rapidly describe its owner.

Regarding astrological houses, the principle is even simpler: the twelve houses correspond to twelve fields of life, and planets tenanted any given house increase that house's importance and highlight all relevant life departments: it may be marriage, work, friendship etc.

Alexandra David-Néel, here is the evaluation diagramme for your planets:

Your Dominant Planets



The three planets that are most highlighted in your chart are Uranus, Neptune and Jupiter.

Uranus among your dominant planets: just like Neptune and Pluto, Uranian typology is less clearly defined than the so-called classical seven planets that are visible to the naked eye, from the Sun to Saturn. However, it is possible to associate your Uranian nature with a few clear characteristics: Uranus rhymes with independence, freedom, originality, or even rebelliousness and marginality, when things go wrong...

Uranus is Mercury's higher octave and as such, he borrows some of its traits of character; namely, a tendency to intellectualize situations and emotions with affective detachment, or at least jagged affectivity.

Therefore, you are certainly a passionate woman who is on the lookout for any kind of action or revolutionary idea, and you are keen on new things. Uranians are never predictable, and it is especially when they are believed to be stable and well settled that... they change everything - their life, partner, and job! In fact, you are allergic to any kind of routine, although avoiding it must give way to many risks.

With Neptune as one of your three dominant planets, you are a secretive and ambiguous person, often confused or unclear about your own motivations! Indeed, you are endowed with unlimited imagination and inspiration, as well as with an extreme sensibility that may turn you into a psychic or a clairvoyant. On the other hand, your impressionability is such that you may have difficulties in separating what is concrete and solid from illusions or dreams.

A mystic, a visionary or a poetess, you daydream, like any Neptunian, and you see what few people only can see, all of this being shrouded in aesthetic mists when you are fired with enthusiasm.

A boundless, infinity-loving woman like you is inevitably likely to be more vulnerable and easily hurt because of your acute perception of events. In such cases, you are hit full in the face, and you may sink into gloomy daydreamings and dark melancholy.

That said, this mysterious aura definitely gives you an indefinable charm in the eyes of your close friends who are often fascinated by your unique ability to feel and to see what ordinary people can never see!

Jupiter, the planet of expansion, organization, power and benevolence, is quite emphasized in your chart. Like any Jupiterian, you are warm, open, sociable, consensual, active and optimistic. You can use your self-confidence to erase differences of opinion, and you leave the task of analyzing and perfecting things to specialists. Your role, and you know it since you were young, is to gather, to demonstrate your synthesizing and conciliatory mind, and to naturally reap its fruits - power.

You appreciate legality, social order but also order in general. With you as a leader, every plan or human entity can be organized and structured. You excel at supervising. The Jupiterian type is indeed the politician par excellence, and a positive Jupiter in your chart is synonymous with good integration into society, whatever the chosen path.

Is this idyllic picture really perfect? Certainly not: each planet's typology has its own weaknesses. One of yours is pride, like the Solarian, but your will of expansion at all costs may generate a form of exaggeration in everything, endless pleasure, inappropriate self-confidence that could lead you to rough materialism and the thirst for absurd material comfort - in the worst cases, of course.



In your natal chart, the three most important signs, delineated according to the above-mentioned criteria, are, in decreasing order of strength, Cancer, Aries and Scorpio. They are often prominent because your Ascendant and your Sun are posited there. However, it is not always the case: it may be because they are occupied by a cluster of planets, by a planet near an angle other than the Midheaven and the Ascendant, or because two or three planets are very active and form numerous aspects from these signs. Therefore, you partly take on the three signs' characteristics, which are somehow superimposed on your natal chart, and all the more so if any of the signs in question is highlighted.

Cancer is one of your dominant signs and endows you with imagination and exceptionally shrewd sensitivity. Although suspicious at first sight - and even at second...- as soon as you get familiar with people and let them win your confidence, your golden heart eventually shows up, despite your discretion and your desire for security that makes you return into your shell at the slightest alert! Actually, you are a poetess and if you are sometimes blamed for your nostalgia and your laziness, it is because your intense inner life is at full throttle...

Arian blood runs through your veins! You have that enthusiasm, frankness, courage, and fastness which usually make you so likeable in spite of your somewhat rough, naive, or violent side. As a bonus, Aries'

gushing fire always gives you the impetus to make a fresh start, should you stumble or undergo life hardship!

With Scorpio as a dominant sign, you are a strong and astute person, complicated and passionate, sometimes destructive and intolerant, but strong-willed, tough and daring, sometimes bordering on aggressive. So many qualities and dangers combined in one person! Obviously, this often results in a natural selection of people around you: those who stand up to you or admire you and those who can't bear you anymore! But that is precisely what you want. You are what you are and you are not going to transform yourself just to please. You are too proud and you never dread confrontations, although your way of fighting is secret, as is your nature that, mysteriously enough, you are so reluctant to reveal even to your close friends who will never understand you. That said... what a hellish charm you have!

Your Dominant Houses



Houses 10, 4 and 2 are the most tenanted ones in your natal chart. To compute their strength, planets and angles are weighed according to various astrological criteria such as swiftness, activity, angularity, rulership etc. From the analysis of the most tenanted Houses, the Astrologer deduces the fields of activity that are most relevant to you, be it because of what you are experiencing, or what you may experience in the future, or because of your deep inner motivations.

With a prominent 10th house, your destiny's achievement may be very notable: the 10th house represents your career, your public life, and your ambitions. A good deal of your energy may thus be used to successfully implement what you have in mind. Instinctively, you are very keen to make your dreams come true. Sooner or later, you will deal with the public, and your personal achievement will go through trials and ordeals: other people and visible actions.

With an important 4th house in your chart, your private life, your intimacy, as well as your family and home, play a fundamental role. Your security and your family unit, the one you come from, but also the one you set up when you get married and start a family - or even as a girl bachelor living alone in your sweet home - are necessary for you to blossom. According to the Tradition, your father may play an important role in your life.

The 2nd house is among your three most tenanted houses: life's material aspects - with everything that is implied in terms of security, appetite for life, desire for possession - are deep-seated and you can never be content with living on love and fresh air. On a more abstract level, you may have similar feelings

regarding relationships: possessiveness and jealousy in the worst cases, but also faithfulness and durability.

Your Style, Behaviour, and Peculiarities

What is commonly known as "sign" indicates the position of the Sun in the Zodiac. The Sun highlights all the characteristics of the sign he tenants. According to astrology traditional rules, these characteristics are all the more pure and exact when the Sun is strong in the sign, or when the sign is particularly highlighted within the chart. Here, we indicate the pure characteristics of the sign but you must bear in mind that they may only shed a light on a particular aspect of your personality. Indeed, the sole sign of the Sun, or of the Ascendant, can never describe an astrological chart because it depends on the degree of strength of the said sign in your chart.

Another important point must be underlined. Contrary to the Ascendant, which clearly describes your appearance, your vitality, your physical constitution, your spontaneous behaviour and the image you project, your Sun sign describes your inner self, which you may not completely be aware of, and which may emerge gradually as you mature: it is about your inner personality that you reveal only to the members of your entourage whom you trust. The Sun sign is likely to be the final form of your personality, once it has evolved in line with the energies of the other parts of your chart, the beginning of which is seen in the Ascendant, your external "bark".

The Ascendant is one of the major components of your natal chart. It is the zodiacal sign that rises in the East at the very moment of your birth. To calculate it, it is therefore necessary to know your exact time of birth.

It provides with a wealth of information on your personality. It is one of the key features that allows the analysis of several parts of you, such as your appearance, your character as it is initially perceived and your immediate behaviour. It describes the external aspect of your personality which you always display, but it also describes your physical constitution in the long-term, in other words, your health.

Please be aware that, in spite of the importance of the Ascendant, the accuracy of its description depends on how strongly highlighted it is in your natal chart. We use the entire set of astrological rules to assess the strength of the Ascendant. In most cases, the Ascendant is as revealing as your "sign", i.e., the sign where the Sun is posited at the time of birth.

You were born under the sign of Scorpio and your Ascendant is in Libra

Before broaching the details of the meaning of your Sun and your Ascendant, as a preamble, we offer a brief generic interpretation of their combination in your chart:

You really are a formidable diplomat! However, you should not let yourself be tempted by manipulative actions. Your verbal brilliance and your interpersonal skills earn you the understanding of the people you meet for the first time. You keep your more irascible tendencies for those who know you more in-depth, as indicated by your Scorpio Sun. Your inner self does not match the image you project. Indeed, on the one hand, Libra prompts you to avidly seek people's approval and try to establish harmonious and warm relationships. On the other hand, Scorpio urges you to instil passion and intensity in everything in order to uncover secrets which, as destructive as they may be, are the base of any thrilling relationship. To smooth out the rough edges, or to bring matters to a head, that is the question... Owing to Libra, you run your social life perfectly well, and you easily attract people thanks to this unique blend of gentleness and

impishness. You usually avoid direct and unforeseen confrontations, and you get around hurdles with your sweet manners. Somehow, more or less consciously, you make use of your magnetism and your sensuality in order to attract your partner, but once in your den, he/she is most likely to experience your absolute possessiveness.

You were born with the Sun in Scorpio

Psychologically speaking, your nature is bilious, with aggressive impulses that lead you towards the transformation of your entire being and, continuously, of the situation surrounding you. You seem to be constantly struggling for your self-assertion. You cannot refrain from testing others with cutting remarks, not because you want to hurt them, but because you want to know them better through their reaction; for you, life and the feeling of aliveness are experienced through rebellion and tension. You may be manipulative and your aggressive attitude may equate with sly inquisition. You often remain silent, introverted and secretive, mulling over turbulent thoughts in the depths of your mind, leaving others puzzled by your somewhat peculiar behaviour.

As you are born under this sign, you are secretive, powerful, domineering, enduring, intuitive, assertive, charismatic, magnetic, wilful, daring, clear-sighted, passionate, creative, independent, vigorous, generous, loyal, hard-working, persevering, indomitable, possessive, shrewd, stubborn, ambitious, instinctive, tenacious, sexual, sexy, proud, intense and competitive. But you may also be aggressive, destructive, stubborn, anxious, tyrannical, perverse, sadistic, violent, self-centered, complex, critical, cruel, nasty, jealous, calculating, vulnerable and dissembling.

You are a hard-worker, enduring and serious. You follow all things through and your obstinacy is nice to see, particularly when your undertakings are not wrong, which seldom happens thanks to your immense insight that is almost that of a medium.

In love, Madam, you are all passion and sex appeal. Since your young age, you understood the sexual and magnetic attraction powers that you convey: like a predator, you choose, you take action and you catch in your nets the men you desire until you lose interest in them. The only men who can really stand the test of time are those who will resist you or subject you unconditionally, and whom you will respect for the rest of your life. They can also be men who will be totally submissive and, because of their absolute love for you, accept to live a hell of a life by your side, totally depending on you.

You use your seductive powers wonderfully well but when you find your soul mate, hopefully he will be as strong as you are, you will be a one-man woman, throughout your life. You will be an exceptional lover, loyal, possessive but sentimental, courageous and magnetic. There will be no boredom in your relationship where passion will be expressed with all the violence and the thirst for the absolute that inhabit you.

Your Ascendant is in Libra

Psychologically speaking, your nature is sanguine and communicative or nervous and introverted, depending on who prevails, either Venus, the principle of harmony, extraversion, desire to seduce, easy and airy communication, or Saturn, the principle of rigour, introversion, self-control, concentration and meditation. Unless Saturn is very strong in the rest of the chart, Libra is very delicate and charming. She easily adjusts in society, particularly with her perpetual search of compromise. It is the reason why you may seem to be hesitant and weak. You do not dare to insist or to assert your views: you prefer to intervene as an agent for harmony, of rally and equity, even to the detriment of your self-assertion. You loathe violence and you strive with all your heart to pacify, to smooth things over, and to adjust to the situation with flexibility and grace.

Since you are born under this sign, you are sentimental, charming, courteous, delicate, refined, loyal, pacifist, fair, distinguished, light, romantic, cultured, airy, likeable, spruce, perfectionist, caring, gentle, quiet, tidy, social, artist, with strong aesthetic tastes, tolerant, lenient, sociable, seductive, elegant, kind, respectful, balanced, but you may also be hesitant, weak, wavering, selfish, fragile, indecisive, timid, indolent, cold or even insensitive.

In love, Madam, you are the seductress of the Zodiac: love is your major area of concern and to please is the very expression of your whole being. You are so charming, so considerate, you multiply your conquests with lightness and you are on top form while you are awaiting the love of your lifetime. You have every chance to find him because all your talents are oriented towards communication and meeting with people who, invariably, think that you are charming and distinguished, pleasant and educated, with a lot of good taste and that you manage to make your interlocutor feel comfortable.

As you are exceedingly demanding, it is very likely that you will be disappointed by many lovers and admirers, however, you will never be tired of starting over again your nice soul mate hunting.

You are mildly narcissistic and you have an instinctive need to charm and to see the effects of your seductive powers. The danger is that you may be selfish or that your frenzied need for compliments cannot be fulfilled by your partner who is not able to praise you as well as you expect him to...

You are more sentimental and aesthetics-oriented than Taurus, who is more physical or sexual. The relationship with your partner must include many intellectual exchanges and a deep closeness regarding your artistic tastes or your daily lifestyle.

In general, you will marry only once, in spite of your capacity to charm and to have romantic encounters.

The ruler of your chart is in Virgo

The ruler of the Ascendant, also referred to as the chart ruler, brings a few interesting nuances to the meanings provided by the Sun and the Ascendant. The sign in which the ruler of the Ascendant is posited fine-tunes the style of personality described by the Sun and the Ascendant. It may strengthen it if the sign is identical to either of them.

The ruler of the Ascendant, Alexandra David-Néel, is Venus. In the sign of Virgo, it turns you into a cautious and rational person, sometimes to the detriment of your feelings. You like to improve yourself, and you pay a great deal of attention to details. You respect the rules, and you appreciate well-done

work. However, you may lack self-confidence or you may hesitate, perhaps because you hate to make mistakes, since you believe that truth is a major quality.

Aspects to your Ascendant

Several planets form an aspect with your Ascendant, Alexandra David-Néel. Therefore, in their specific way, they modify your behaviour and your personality, which do not take on the pure characteristics of your Libra Ascendant only, but which are a blend of its characteristics with those of the said aspects.

★★★★★ Neptune opposite Ascendant, orb -2° 21'

Neptune is in opposition to your Ascendant, Alexandra David-Néel. This opposition is not really a dissonance since at the same time, it is a conjunction with the opposite angle, the Descendant, or DS, which represents other people, unions, and associations. Therefore, the interpretation of this opposition is that you are endowed with tremendous sensitivity and intuition, which enables you to interact with other people with empathy and imagination, in some sort of a pleasant and irrational mist. Your behaviour in society has more to do with instinctive fusion than with understanding, and... it perfectly suits you! The other side of the coin is that you may not know any more where you exactly stand regarding some of your associations, including your couple. Indeed, you are deeply absorbed in the affective and poetic aspects of your relationships, to the extent that you may overlook signals of distrust or danger coming from your close friends or your spouse. You must put some reason into the way you approach your relationships, in addition to your very remarkable intuition.

★★★★★ Mars sextile Ascendant, orb 1° 09'

Your vitality and your taste for action are obvious, Alexandra David-Néel. Thanks to Mars, your behaviour is often perceived as energetic, or at least, as action-oriented and enterprising. Your dynamism is one of your constant assets.

★★★★★ Moon trine Ascendant, orb -3° 23'

Your instinct seldom misleads you, as far as your external appearance is concerned, thanks to the Moon's soft aspect with your Ascendant, Alexandra David-Néel. You keep your emotions under rather good control, in instinctive and smooth ways.

★★★☆☆ Uranus square Ascendant, orb -4° 17'

This dissonance of Uranus with your Ascendant endows you with a rebellious, original, and unpredictable side, which gives your behaviour a note of dynamism and nonconformism. Of course, other people are sometimes deeply disconcerted by your attitude which does not fit classical or social standards, and you may suffer its consequences, meaning that you feel misunderstood, incorrectly perceived, and considered as a disturbing free electron, or an untrustworthy person. You must remain true to yourself, but at the same time, you must exercise some caution in order not to fall prey to unpleasant misunderstandings.

★★★★★ Jupiter opposite Ascendant, orb -6° 43'

In astrology, Jupiter is the planet of greater fortune. He is in opposition to your Ascendant, Alexandra David-Néel. However, he is also in conjunction with the opposite angle, the Descendant, which symbolises your rapport with other people. So, we are not dealing here with a dissonance, but with assets for your communication skill, and a form of natural benevolence which arouses sympathy. Although your behaviour is somehow oriented towards other people, and therefore not the direct expression of yourself, owing to this Jovian facet, your manner is lenient, understanding, and optimistic, which is usually

appreciated and offers you many satisfactions in the area of partnership, and harmony in your marriage.

Your Sensitivity

Your sensitivity is devoid of infatuation or carelessness, Alexandra David-Néel; you belong to the cerebral type and, due to your needs for inner security and for freedom, you consider feelings and emotions as burdens. You are apparently phlegmatic and almost detached. However, your swift reactivity and your fertile imagination make you appreciate friendly gatherings with numerous and varied exchanges. You do not wear your heart on your sleeve. At first, you seem cold but those who know you are aware of your very original and unique sense of humour. Your receptiveness is remarkable. Your observation talents and your detachment work wonders in the defence of your anti-conformist and rebellious ideas. Your stubbornness is obvious and it is very difficult to make you change your mind because you are affectively too vulnerable: it would require lengthy and thorough argumentations aiming at your intellect...

Your family, your home and often your mother, Alexandra David-Néel, have a strong emotional importance. You feel attached to your roots and the intimate surroundings in which you live are essential; you are deeply fulfilled by this continuous source of affective charges: your home and private life are sacred for you, and you can feel very uncomfortable or unsafe if you are deprived of your haven of peace.

Paradoxically, the Tradition indicates that you are predisposed to frequent home moves.

★★★★★ Moon opposite Mars, orb $-2^{\circ} 13'$

This Moon-Mars dissonance suggests touchiness and sometimes, aggressiveness. You are irascible and very sensitive to all sorts of threats and dangers. You react very quickly, too hastily. To protect your well being, you must learn to control your mood, to coordinate your actions and to balance your opinions. You are often disturbed by plain facts: either you seek refuge in your intimate realm and refuse to face the truth or, on the contrary, you are engaged in altercations, which forbid all tranquillity. It is important that you balance these two tendencies and that you alternate moments of action with phases of carelessness and relaxation. These two attitudes are relatively irreconcilable.

★★★★★ Moon sextile Jupiter, orb $-3^{\circ} 19'$

Why should one complicate one's life if it is possible to enjoy the simple joys of the present? This harmonic Moon-Jupiter aspect indicates a cheerful nature, which earns your entourage's liking and protects the balance of your intimate life. Your sociability is supported by your desire to smoothly adhere to a group, a social or family cell. You are fond of moments where you unwind and relax. You value your daily comfort and, to preserve it, you accept to play by the rules of privacy. When this aspect dictates your attitudes, you behave like a person easy to get along with... even though your personal demands, relegated to the backseat, come up again at top speed and force you to behave more in line with your inner needs.

★★★★★ Moon square Pluto, orb $6^{\circ} 35'$

This planetary configuration causes distrust (Plutonian distance) towards individuals, groups, or your own family environment (lunar values). It may bring about a feeling of affective or relational wound. The feeling of security is absent, or fragmented or illusive. How is it possible to feel integrated whereas you know that you are different and on your own? It is the myth of the « ugly duckling », with its different specific characteristics, an alien to its origins and its roots. It is important that you accept your differences and that you have them accepted by others, without forsaking your essential values. This is how you can exercise your group ownership without allowing them to exclude you or to repress your

secret determinations. When this aspect is well integrated, it is a factor of lucidity for your emotions. You perceive without gullibility what is really at stake in your intimate relationships and the flaws of your environment. The fact that you do not readily trust people spares you many traps and delusions.

★★★★★ Moon sextile Neptune, orb 5° 44'

This harmonious Moon-Neptune aspect indicates an exceptional receptivity. You are sensitive to ambiances and you can grasp what is at stake in any given situation. You can pick up things in the general atmosphere that the majority of people miss out. Your deep intuition allows you to feel the subtlest details, that « little nothing » which is the key to behavioural patterns. Inspiration is your guide and imagination accompanies your daily rhythms. Mysteries, psychology, esoterism, fantasy, the supernatural... one of these fields, at least, is of concern to you. You pay utmost attention to your inner life, to moments of tranquillity when you relax, when you allow your mind to wander at will. The danger is that you may seek refuge in the imaginary and that you shirk reality.

★★★★★ Moon sextile Saturn, orb 5° 45'

This harmonious Moon-Saturn aspect is an element of stability for your private life. Your daily life lives up to your demands, you are totally true to yourself and logical through your very intimate behaviour. You do not choose the easy way out: on the contrary, it is in difficult situations that you are at your best. It is very unlikely that you become destabilized by trifles. This aspect indicates stability and also perfectionism. You are longing for a private life respectful of your heart of hearts and your genuine desires. Your well being is at this price, and its quest remains perpetual. Despite your reserved private behaviour, your emotions run very deep. You have a strong need for protection and for security. Your aspirations lead you towards contemplation or studies, more than towards social futilities.

★★★★★ Moon bi-quintile Venus, orb -1° 16'

The harmonious Moon-Venus aspect is an element of intimate balance that favours sensual and affective fulfilment. The search of well being includes all kinds of emotions and feelings. You love, you enjoy life in simple ways and you arouse your entourage's affection. The persons belonging to your inner circle are also objects of desire and pleasure. Tenderness and love are probably one and only thing: you are moved by the gestures of affection provided to you and by the daily acts, which strengthen two persons' mutual attachment. Whereas other people dread routine, in your case on the contrary, it increases your amorous feelings. You loathe all kinds of violence, particularly in your intimate life. The danger of this planetary configuration may be your constant changes of mood: whims are often on the agenda... and your will is quite weak. One last point: this aspect is frequently found in the charts of people with an aesthetic or artistic sensitivity.

Your Affectivity

In your chart, the Sun is in Scorpio and Venus, in Virgo. Your solar and Venusian signs indicate straight away shared values: selectivity and self-protection... You are impervious to prevailing trends and moods, you manage the boat of your sentimental life without being lured or destabilized by social demands, conventions or expectations. People who don't understand your aspirations think that you are self-centered. However, if necessary, you entirely devote yourself, even though it means that you forsake your personal comfort. Should a sacrifice be made, it never involves the essential: to love amounts to live a genuine, timeless and uncompromising passion. It is advisable to break the charm when it is based on shams and shaky arrangements. You are sensitive to your relationship's tiniest flaw and you are inflexible

when the necessities of life together hurt your concepts. A mere nothing offends you and outrages you! Commendable idealism... However, beware of confinement, of the vicious circle of your rebellious and refractory affectivity. Although you may lack the sense of associative values (it is more natural for you to say no than, without turning a hair, to accept the other person's logic), you never renounce the essential elements of your balance. You seldom facilitate the establishment of a quiet love affair made of unconditional acquiescence and adherence. But you know how to preserve your own values, which are the guarantee of an undeniable stability and of a sentimental life in line with your demands.

Alexandra David-Néel, inside yourself, feelings are strong and powerful. However, you never show them before weighing up and considering all the possible consequences of your words and your actions: fieriness and spontaneity are toned down because you cannot help controlling yourself, probably due to your modesty, your discretion or your shyness; you are frightened because you are so concerned with other people's opinion that you see passion, or expressing your feelings too quickly, as sources of danger. However, you are helpful, simple, and you do not fuss around. Reason prevails in your love life but your heart may flare up when the context is well organized and everyday life is cautiously handled with good sense, tidiness and cleanliness. Your sensitivity prompts you to avoid excesses and outbursts and this is how you think that you can achieve happiness without risk.

In general, your sociability is impressive, Alexandra David-Néel, and this powerful feature of your personality leads you to tread with ease between love and friendship, with your close entourage having some difficulties in discriminating, because you are so welcoming and charming. You are prone to obtain great satisfaction out of your friends and in most cases, you will be very naturally led to realize that your friendly relationship imperceptibly and gradually turns into a real love story! Besides, if by any chance your tie does not last forever, there is no doubt that you will be able to maintain a delightful rapport with your ex and, eventually, to get back to the ancient warm friendship which had served as the foundation of the idyll you had just experienced, with souvenirs as a bonus... Your affectivity is paradoxically both warm and unselfish because, like the astrological house that colours this part of your nature and the sign of Aquarius in analogy with the house, you are a refined and tolerant person, more focused on a large and collective vision rather than on a strictly personal approach in the romantic area. You are often granted protections for the projects you implement, particularly by your numerous feminine friendships. They deeply appreciate the cultured and refined side you exhibit at will and your inclination for your outings to the theatre, a concert, a conference etc. As far as feelings are concerned, your potential weaknesses may precisely stem from your detachment or from your lack of involvement, which, although they are natural for you, may offend or may shock some of your love relationships. They may criticize you for some sort of distance or a half-hearted attitude and they may want you to change the way you express yourself: in such moments, be more demonstrative so as to prevent any possible budding reproaches...

★★★★★ Venus trine Pluto, orb 0° 41'

You exercise exceptional clear-sightedness in love. Your passions are subtle, deep, although disconcerting and imperceptible to the outsider. You display no gullibility and you keep your distance. This is part of your charm. You detect what is really at stake in your couple's relationship and in your sentimental attitude. You drive the boat of your sensitivity without falling victim to mirages and affective traps. The only danger is that you may be too calculating. As you try to totally control love and to constantly pull the strings, you may lose the ingenuity and innocence which are necessary to nurture a relationship. You give proofs of your love in a very personal way and you never hesitate to use paradoxes to preserve the authenticity of your relations. You can anticipate problems and prevent difficulties.

★★★★★ Venus sextile Uranus, orb -0° 24'

Your charm lies in the originality of your approach to love and in your uncompromising attitudes. Your motto? Freedom of love, whatever the price! Should your sentimental life become dull, you find a solution: you are romantic and you reinvent your couple's life, you give a new and unexpected momentum to your emotions. You create the kind sharpness that contributes to your exceptional affective life. You do not fear love at first sight or blazing passions. On the affective plane, you know where you are heading for, whom you love ... or love not. There is an indisputable intransigence. The heart impulses are irrevocable and implacable. You dream of a sentimental life that fulfils your aspirations and you use all possible means to achieve your ideal. Even though you may have to make the necessary sacrifices.

★★★★★ Mercury sextile Venus, orb 4° 51'

This aspect sensitizes you to games of seduction. You like to multiply romantic undertakings, you invent new reasons to seduce or to be seduced. Although your romantic life is not a model of stability, it is full of discoveries, varied emotions, both sensual and cerebral. You know how to earn your entourage's liking through your acute sensitivity. You play around with feelings, with relationships and with love... Mercury and Venus commonly share the capacity to sensitise to human topics. Your receptivity towards others is high. Your broad-mindedness goes hand in hand with your heart's generosity. You pay particular attention to the way people look at you and the effect you make when you meet or exchange with someone. Actually, you expect a lot from others: acknowledgement of your qualities, as well as esteem and consideration. You may also be touchy beyond what you may give to think. In many instances, relationship games may turn out to be more serious than expected.

★★★★★ Venus inconjunction Neptune, orb 1° 31'

You are very idealistic in love and you may be blind. In many circumstances, you deem your sentimental life heavenly and you lay yourself open to delusions. Love is a dream and waking up is often painful. Your imagination distorts the game of intimate situations. It is important that you keep your sense of reality and that you avoid to embark upon dark or muddled paths. Forget about artificial paradises! The Tradition very rightly insists on the tendency for impossible love affairs. Your demand and your thirst for the absolute may make you dread experiencing a common life that is inevitably flawed with compromises and vagaries. The object of your affection is idealized « because it was him, because it was me » and you do not reckon objective elements that will resurface later in full force. With this planetary configuration, the danger is in the idealistic, even fanciful, nature of your affectivity. It is certain that love cannot be bought or reasoned. But how is it possible to live an absolute passion on a daily basis? You must control your heart impulses and, without losing the sentimental riches that are part of your charm, you must put what you love in harmony with what you dream of.

★★★★★ Sun semi-square Venus, orb -0° 56'

The Sun and Venus form a mild dissonance in your natal chart. There is nothing very serious to worry about. There is only a small gap between what you really want on the one hand, and your natural need to charm and the warmth you display on the other hand. Thus, will and affectivity are slightly out of phase, but it is most likely that you are the only one who feels it. This is a quite trivial characteristic, and you probably do not have to correct it, since it is so mild.

The Way You Take Action and Your Sexuality

What an energy, Alexandra David-Néel! You take so many initiatives, you have so much strength for action, construction and struggle! You are part of the conquerors, loyal and concerned about panache. Your vitality is such that you can achieve your objectives and release all your creativity. However, you are so proud and so unyielding that you cannot tolerate the faintest annoyance on your way: if you are vexed, you may turn into the opposite direction as a matter of reaction. Sexually, your magnetism and your energy work wonders. You are not complicated and, as long as your slightly domineering nature is respected and you are granted due admiration, all goes perfectly well. You usually have a lot of self-confidence and you believe in you. This characteristic feature may turn you into a hero with Hercules's strength and solar charisma.

Your energy and your capacity for action are at the service of your career and your destiny, Alexandra David-Néel : No doubt, this is one of the simplest and most transparent planetary configurations. You do not hesitate. For you, action means climbing up the social ladder, sooner or later, winning the marshal's baton, defeating setbacks through efforts and work, and overcoming the obstacles on your path.

You get your reward by the sweat of your brow, and you are aware that it is no easy business. Your personal approach is that nothing can be achieved without an effort because you are wise enough to be aware of it.

It is so deeply rooted in you that you may feel that you will get nothing if you do not fight for it. You are right, actually, at least as far as you are concerned, because it is your manner. Your destiny implies many struggles, and you have the necessary courage to join battle. However, as time unfolds, try to be gentle with yourself and indulge in a few moments of well-deserved rest and respite!

★★★★★ Mars trine Neptune, orb $-3^{\circ} 31'$

This harmonious Mars-Neptune aspect is a signature for the missionary or the inspired activist. You are guided by an irresistible and implacable ideal. Exaltation may border on sacrifice for the sake of the noble or rebellious causes that inspire your struggles and your actions. Far from intellectual speculations, you need to live through your passions, to take action and to let yourself be carried away by a mission, an ideal or sometimes, an illusion. Indeed, you may be a Don Quixote fighting windmills, dedicating all your energy to an indefensible or a fanciful cause. More often than not, your commitments are courageous, even heroic. And the faith you display turns perilous enterprises into feasible projects. You can successfully implement actions that are considered doomed to failure by others.

★★★☆☆ Mars square Pluto, orb $-4^{\circ} 21'$

There is a limit to your respect for laws and norms! Morals, conventions, social marks are of little value to you. With a touch of anarchy in the soul, you disregard conventions and you experience a sort of personal revolution. You prefer unconventional actions to dull conformism. To express your differences, you use a wide scope of possibilities that ranges from brewing revolt to ideological renunciation. Sometimes, you dismiss concrete facts that are nevertheless unavoidable. Hence, you undergo delusions and backlashes. You may also act rashly, to the detriment of your ideals. It is important that you control your actions and that you balance the respect for constraints with your personal demands and inner motivations.

★★★★★ Mars trine Jupiter, orb 5° 33'

Coordinated action wins over almost all obstacles! You mobilize your energy and your fighting spirit advisedly and you take timely action. This is the reason why you are efficient in situations requiring courage, determination, swift responses and diplomacy, altogether. You do not fear confrontations but you never provoke them unnecessarily. You take advantage of your chances and you adjust your behaviour to concrete situations. You empirically handle events with relevance. The only danger is that you may be overzealous to seize any opportunity... even those that are not necessarily good in the long run. You should take the time to carefully consider the facts and their consequences. The swiftness of your reactions must remain an asset.

★★★★★ Mars trine Saturn, orb -7° 58'

Persistent action always bears fruit eventually. All that is needed is patience... A quality you have, undoubtedly. As confrontations become unavoidable, you show strong persistence and indisputable perseverance. Potential obstacles are more stimulating to you than they are discouraging. You are naturally fit for effort and for confronting realities and facts. You quickly overcome difficulties and you respond to crises in an efficient and considerate manner. You are enduring. You handle events with rigour and precision. These are valuable qualities nowadays, for they often come with the capacity to undertake adventurous experiences and to take limited risks!

Your Intellect and Your Communication Style

You are the very type of the researcher endowed with great intellectual and imaginative capacities, Alexandra David-Néel, and your curiosity is very deep. Researches, riddles and mysteries appeal to you and with a remarkable sixth sense and intuition, you endlessly try to unearth the truth, in all areas, like a psychoanalyst or a detective. You are a very secretive and introverted person, you find it difficult to open up and you rather prefer psychoanalysis. In spite of your clear-sightedness, you find it hard to deal with people: your critical mind, tinted with irony and causticity, may be destructive, especially since your determination and your stubbornness do not incline you to giving up. You are fond of provocations and you handle contradictions skilfully even though you may come across as dishonest.

You have your feet on the ground and a particularly well-developed practical good sense, Alexandra David-Néel. With you, no excessive emotions or fuzzy, abstract thoughts: you know where you are heading to, and your sharp and clear intellect usually enables you to efficiently manage your personal affairs.

You may be stubborn and concerned about your earnings and your success, particularly in the financial area, where your intellectual abilities are remarkably exploited. You manage to get out of a tight spot thanks to your logical mind and clear vision.

★★★☆☆ Mercury opposite Pluto, orb -5° 32'

Forget simplicity! You definitely enjoy acting behind the scenes and dealing with what is going on underneath. You play games and you operate in the dark. You leave the front of the stage to others and to the gullible ones. You don't display much sociability. When you are nice, it is because you are looking for flaws. This Mercury-Pluto dissonance mingles unconscious fantasies with reality. When it is kept under control, this aspect becomes an unparalleled source of discernment. To that aim, you must overcome your strong tendency for provocations. It is certainly amusing to play destabilizing games but

it may also be dangerous. Keep this treatment for your opponents only.

★★★★★ Mercury trine Uranus, orb 4° 26'

Your state of mind is innovative and turns the surrounding world into a constantly moving field of experiences. You ask relevant questions ... and you answer them. Although you are flexible when you ought to, your principles and your beliefs are unwavering. It seems difficult to catch you off your guard. You multiply observations, relationships, contacts and you never lose face: actually, your mobility hides an unshakable determination and a deep lucidity. In a split second, you are able to catch the useful information or the enriching relationship. The original and fanciful steps you take exclude monotony. Your approach to life is amazing!

★★★★★ Mercury sesqui-quadrate Jupiter, orb -0° 27'

You play with social norms and you scoff at them. Your morality is seldom questioned: you adopt the most rewarding behaviour, precisely the one that wins you your entourage's consideration. But you sometimes cheat. You are an opportunist and you act according to circumstances, particularly because your moral stand is only a superficial mask. You enjoy concealing your beliefs: life is a social game and you change its rules to suit your convenience. Your flexibility and your adaptation abilities are appreciated. However, it is important that you do not behave inconsistently. A stable and transparent course of conduct may help you avoid many pitfalls or delusions. Beware of words spoken thoughtlessly, of empty promises, and do stick to your indisputable cleverness.

★★★★★ Mercury bi-quintile Neptune, orb -0° 22'

Your sense of psychology and of human intimate mechanisms is acutely developed. Your relations are nuanced, clever and guided by a good intuition of individuals. Without effort, you pick up what is at stake in relationships and in contacts. Your « sixth sense » inspires you and may take you into strange roads. On the relations' plane, there is an indisputable subtlety. You know what you should not say or, on the contrary, you naturally find the suitable words. Your natural and non-rational attitudes often prove right. The unknown fascinates you... Your curiosity for occultism and mystery is keen. Besides, life is a huge human enigma for you.

Your Goals, Motivations, Career, and Destiny

Your Sun is posited in the 1st House

Willpower and appearance united! You are so lucky, Alexandra David-Néel, that your inner self and your behaviour merge to increase your energy and your vitality. Since the Sun represents your self-assertiveness and your profound personality, he expresses itself best when this configuration is strongly featured. Indeed, you form a whole block and there is no discrepancy between your real identity, as perceived by you and your close friends, and the image you project.

With this nice association, your behaviour matches your true nature. You act externally according to your willpower, without filter, nor reservation. It endows you with a wilful, personal and magnetic temperament. You attract, you charm and when you are in the middle of a crowd or a meeting, your personality stands out with depth and brilliance because you have the kind of radiance and warmth that can never go unnoticed.

With this configuration, the only goal in your life is to assert yourself, proudly and decidedly, through what you are and through your actions, everywhere you go. Your ambition is to experience your temperament to the fullest, in all areas. You are sheer energy in motion. There is no gap between the image you project and your real self and for this reason, your inner qualities are never wasted.

The other side of the coin is that people may find that you are self-centered and that you do not take people's opinions into account... Practice some humility if you can, because too much magnetism may arouse fears in people who are not yet well acquainted with you.

The ruler of your chart is in the 11th House

The ruler of the Ascendant, also referred to as the chart ruler as explained in a previous chapter, is also posited in one of the twelve Houses of the chart. Just like the Sun in his House, the ruler of the Ascendant provides certain abilities, or it makes you appreciate more keenly certain areas of life.

The ruler of your chart is in the 11th House, Alexandra David-Néel. This position often reinforces your sociability and your need for friendship, or sometimes when this is not the case, for all sorts of cooperation, whether social or political. You need to make friends, to share, and it often happens that your life with your friends or in society is much more fulfilling than your family life. You are granted - or you seek - reliable protection and support.

Aspects influencing your ambitions

Regarding your destiny or your career, the following aspects of your natal chart allow to fine-tune what has just been said above:

★★★★★ Uranus conjunction Midheaven, orb 0° 47'

Uranus is in conjunction with your Midheaven, Alexandra David-Néel. This very important aspect usually indicates a destiny which, in some rare life occurrences, takes most surprising twists. Like trans-Saturnian planets, out of the blue and beyond free will events occur by accident, as if they were caused by some sort of fatality. Thus, it is possible that your life changes its course completely and repeatedly, in a more than above average way, when transits and progressions activate your Uranus-Midheaven conjunction. Uranus stands for life upheavals, surprise, rebellion, freedom, and nonconformism. Whether it indicates inner needs or external events, which is the most frequent case, your destiny is very likely to be deeply disrupted, especially when transiting Uranus forms major aspects with your natal Midheaven (towards the ages of 21, 28, 42; 56, 63, and 84). Uranus' half-return (around the age of 42), is the most important one. It is also possible that your career or social destiny takes a stronger Uranian tone, with tight connections to modernity, space, astrology and out-of-the ordinary subjects, as well as physics, electricity, speed, etc.

★★★★★ Neptune square Midheaven, orb 1° 08'

Owing to this dissonance between Neptune and your Midheaven, Alexandra David-Néel, you may have difficulties in knowing what you want regarding your professional orientation. Your imagination and your flexibility cause contradictory feelings and sometimes result in indecisiveness. You are doubtful about the path your social or professional destiny should follow. There is definitely nothing serious to worry about. It is just that Neptune represents a heavy emotional burden which you must firmly deal with, so as not to delay your trek towards success!

★★★★★ Pluto sextile Midheaven, orb 0° 18'

Pluto is in soft aspect with your Midheaven, Alexandra David-Néel. Your natural perspicacity and your propensity to move deeper into the understanding of all the things surrounding you may favour your career. Besides, in some circumstances, secret protections or relationships at work in the dark may very well help you climb up the stairs to success. At the same time, your intuition and your capacity to overcome pitfalls are your constant assets.

★★★★★ Venus sextile Midheaven, orb 0° 22'

In your natal chart, Alexandra David-Néel, sweet Venus is in soft aspect with your Midheaven. It means that your natural charm and the way you express your feelings are appreciated in society. Usually, this configuration speeds up the achievement of your professional goals, or in any case, of a certain social status. A female - or females - may prove helpful for your career or your destiny.

★★★★★ Jupiter trine Saturn, orb 2° 25'

Jupiter and Saturn are favourably linked to each other in your natal chart. The Tradition indicates that this planetary aspect is a good omen for your social success and good integration in the society. Indeed, Jupiter stands for public life, respect for laws and hierarchy, and acceptance of established rules, whereas Saturn symbolises wisdom, time, seriousness, and perseverance. Therefore, it is only logical that with this Jupiter - Saturn configuration, your career, or your social destiny if you do not work, is well thought of by society, and that you are most likely to experience its happy outcomes sooner or later.

★★★★★ Mercury trine Midheaven, orb 5° 13'

Mercury in soft aspect to your Midheaven enables you to easily communicate with your entourage and to climb up the social ladder, Alexandra David-Néel. Your strategy is often good, and you correctly think about your interests. Do not change anything!

★★★★★ Saturn sesqui-quadrate Midheaven, orb 2° 21'

Saturn is in dissonance with your Midheaven, Alexandra David-Néel. Of course, nothing really serious is to be feared. It is just that sometimes, you feel that an unfair slowness keeps on delaying the achievements you deem that you deserve right now. You must work twice as hard to climb up the rungs of success, and above all, you must not get disheartened. Effort is one of the values you must work on, and it is a punishment by no means. It is obvious that your goals are achievable, but you must remain on the right track and show perseverance. That's all!

Your Assets and Your Part of Joviality

The planet of Greater Fortune in this sign favours self-confidence, Alexandra David-Néel, as well as the capacity to be enthused and to show your warmth. Your most valuable asset is your ability to easily express your fieriness and your ardour for the implementation of your projects. However, the danger is that your self-assurance may become an agent for rebellion or for indiscipline, in which case, it would play out against your interests.

For you, Alexandra David-Néel, nature's present is the luck of the devil that protects you against illnesses and brings about joie de vivre in your daily work. Therefore, your health and your work environment are your constant sources of satisfaction. Your value is duly appreciated, and you are popular and helpful.

The planet Jupiter symbolizes expansion, broadness and generosity. Jupiter is associated with the functions of synthesis, enthusiasm and optimism. In your natal chart, his house position is more important than his sign position because, like Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto, he is a slow planet. Many people born in the same period have Jupiter in the same sign. This is the reason why the sign occupied here is less meaningful than when it is occupied by the so-called fast planets, i.e. the Sun, the Moon, Mercury, Venus and Mars. Therefore, some caution is to be exercised as you read what follows.

Jupiter in Aries amplifies your tendency to charge ahead and your self-assertiveness. You have leadership qualities, you are optimistic and you can mix the boldness with the will to succeed that are specific to Aries. Management ability, leadership and independence: your enthusiasm is a real asset for your life and for your charm!

Your Serious Side

You thoroughly analyse and criticise the values of freedom, your desires for evasion, and your philosophical concepts. You have your feet firmly on the ground, and you prefer to progress on familiar grounds, step by step, but in depth.

Financial affairs, and more particularly, your earning capacity, constitute the challenges of your life, Alexandra David-Néel. In this area, your practical sense is not too good and remains to be improved. This is the first thing you should work in order to progress and to gain self-confidence.

You are distrustful and you spend too much time analyzing before taking action by yourself; you must understand that, to be able to win, you must accept to lose, to take risks, and to give for the sake of giving. There is no other way out. As time goes by, you use your persistence to gain material security and to steady the flow of your income in order to overcome feelings of frustration.

The planet Saturn symbolizes contraction, effort, time, limitation and concentration. Saturn eliminates anything that is not authentic, sooner or later. It is impossible to cheat him as he gives an irresistible desire to form a coherent whole with oneself, in responsible and wise ways. He is the great purifier. He represents our limitations but also our truth. In your natal chart, the house position where Saturn is posited is more important than his sign position because, like Jupiter, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto, he is a slow planet. Many people born in the same period have Saturn in the same sign. This is the reason why the sign occupied here is less meaningful than when it is occupied by the so-called fast planets, i.e. the Sun, the Moon, Mercury, Venus and Mars. Therefore, some caution is to be exercised as you read what follows.

Saturn in Sagittarius limits your taste for exoticism and for rebellion. On the other hand, he strengthens your sense of responsibilities and your authority. You focus on what is concrete and real and you avoid venturing into unknown territories.

A Few Special Points

Your Uniqueness and Your Utopias

This is one of the most potent configurations. Unexpected disruptions of considerable intensity often occur on the factual plane. Embracing changes is the basis of the success of your destiny, which is very likely to include extreme variations, sometimes towards the most glorious heights, sometimes towards ordeals that you face with courage and determination, despite your unpreparedness.

Originality is certainly the context of your professional life or your destiny, in one way or another. Whether it is expressed through your very special area of expertise (high technology, space, aviation, astrology, television, etc.) or through the totally hectic nature of your progression (sudden changes of orientation), you are not able to plan what is coming next. Unforeseen events undertake to make a clean sweep of your certainties. This may offer many advantages if your state of mind is ready to approach life as a journey where your only freedom is to adjust in the best possible way to new emerging situations.

Most of the time, you are very independent, very keen to show your professional talents in a unique and modern way. You are a kind of pioneer or rebel in your area, which allows you to better assert your genius.

Your Inspiration and Your Illusions

It is in the relationship area that your approach may be nebulous: you tend to idealize your partner, and you may be easily influenced, and terribly irrational, when you assess the worth of your contacts. However, when the time comes, you display a formidable intuition and it is your sixth sense that "recognizes" your future husband.

You may be weak, gullible and vulnerable in the area of human contacts. Since there is a danger to be deluded, you must use your intellect to avoid the possible traps related to your encounters, in spite of the sweet and confuse impressions they arouse.

Try not to be too lax with your associates and your relationships in general. If you make too many sacrifices, if you refuse to face the truth, you may undergo severe losses; try to step back before committing yourself and even, before... getting married! In this way, you can benefit from the positive side of this configuration.

Your Passion and Your Authority

In the sexuality area, you are very creative and you fear nothing. You are willing to experience your fantasies to the very end because you need to understand life's most secretive and mysterious aspects.

You are usually interested in occultism and in all topics that go beyond the everyday life framework: death and after-death, parapsychical researches, etc. You have a strong sixth sense and you intuitively understand at once things that are usually hidden and private.

Your material life may be disrupted by inheritances and gains stemming from happy speculations. In the most negative cases, you undergo huge losses that are difficult to understand. In all cases, these upheavals are meant to transform your personality and your approach to life.

Your Isolated Planets

In general, the ten planets of the chart are connected to other planets by major or minor astrological aspects. It is owing to those ties that the planets' energies can manifest in the chart owner's personality and play out within safeguards according to a specific tonality.

It seldom happens that in a natal chart, a planet is totally disconnected from the nine other planets.

Astrologers have observed that when such a case occurs, the person feels the energy of the unaspected planet in quite a singular way, very jerky and powerful at the same time. Thus, for instance, the famed astrologer Jean-Baptiste Morin de Villefranche wrote that "an unaspected planet heralds that something strange or extraordinary will take place regarding the meanings of the house in which the said planet is posited" (source : l'astrologie selon Morin).

Rules for detecting an unaspected planet: among all the testimonies that we have reviewed to this day, based on our experience, we tend to agree with American astrologer Janis Huntley who accepts seven aspects, which involve the zodiacal twelve sections of 30 degrees. The aspects to be considered are the conjunction (0 degree, cooperation or tension), the semi-sextile (30 degrees), the sextile and the trine (60 and 120 degrees respectively, aspects of cooperation), the square and the opposition (90 and 180 degrees respectively, tensed aspects), and the quincunx (150 degrees, slightly tensed). In this detection, the chart's angles are not taken into account.

In any case, it is important to remember that an isolated planet clearly expresses its influence when it is a personal planet. Thus, when the Sun, the Moon, Mercury, Venus, or Mars is isolated, it is certain that the effects described by Jean-Baptiste Morin de Villefranche will become manifest. As for Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto, one must be cautious because the volume of cases documented is not yet large enough.

In your natal chart, the Sun is unaspected

When the Sun is unaspected in the natal chart, its characteristics, both assets and weaknesses, are increased. The person's charm, magnetism, and charisma are strengthened and facilitate his success in society. See the example of the Sun-King, Louis XIV, who had the Sun unaspected in Virgo (with an orb smaller than 6 degrees for his sextile to Neptune), or Vincent Van Gogh.

However, this principle may be inverted under the influence of transits or progressions. At such crucial times, the Sun's negative features prevail, in which case social maladjustment, paralysed willpower, unawareness of one's rude character or behaviour, self-centredness, egoism, and vanity erase the natural benefits of the Sun left to his own devices.

Annex 1: Your Minor Dominants

The five following dominants are less significant than those described at the beginning of your report. They may not be strongly felt. In some cases, they add several minor details to the analysis of your character, but they are rather for curiosity purposes. It is not necessary to take them into account when you first read your portrait.

Your Planetary Repartitions: Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Hemispheres

The axis linking the 1st house's cuspide (the Ascendant) to the 7th house's cuspide - the Descendant - divides the zodiac into two bowls, a superior bowl, in the South, and an inferior bowl in the North. Quoting an expression by the famous American astrologer Rudhyar, the Southern part and the Northern part correspond to two functions: "being" and "doing". Other concepts are also associated with this North and South distribution, such as introversion - Northern hemisphere - and extraversion - Southern hemisphere - being or appearances, inner life or external life, reflection or action, dreaming one's life or living one's dreams, the abstract or the concrete, backstage or limelight.

This is not about determination but about personal inclination: thus, some people will be thrown into public life despite a prominent Northern hemisphere. If this happens, however, it will not be due to their will, their taste or their deep nature. Conversely, a prominent Southern hemisphere will not bring about a famous destiny to its owner, even if he tends to turn the spotlight on himself, or if he looks for a more active life. It is a matter of deep nature and natural inclination. Of course, none of the typologies is "superior" to another.

In your birth chart, Alexandra David-Néel, the ten main planets are distributed as follows:

Your Northern and Southern Hemispheres



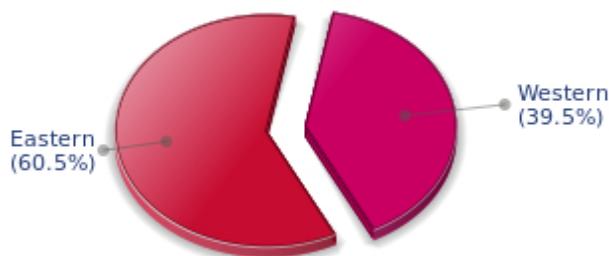
Alexandra David-Néel, the planetary elements of your chart are well balanced between the North and South hemispheres. As a result, your public destiny and your inner life are harmonious, and there is no conflict between your actions and your thoughts. Your private and public spheres coexist in harmony and naturally match your temperament.

The birth chart is divided into two other parts, Eastern and Western, by the axis linking the Midheaven to the Imum Coeli.

The Eastern part, on the Ascendant side, shows the person's ego, will, magnetism, and vitality, whereas the Western part, on the Descendant side, symbolizes other people, communication, relationships and their influence, as well as flexibility and adaptability.

Alexandra David-Néel, here is the planetary repartition in your Eastern and your Western hemispheres:

Your Eastern and Western Hemisphere:



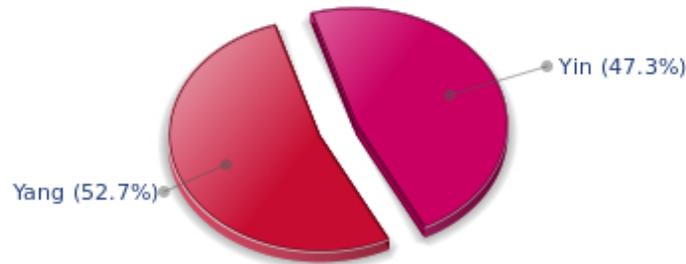
The predominance of planets in the Eastern hemisphere of your chart enables you, Alexandra David-Néel, to assert yourself and to rely on your determination: you know what you want and you have a tendency to take action and to decide with your personal goals as priorities, even if they can be in contradiction with what others think.

A definite asset... provided that you never make mistakes in your choices. You should pay more attention to your entourage in order to counterbalance your nature and to take advantage of your assets wisely. The danger is that you may be too authoritarian and not conciliating enough. Strong determination coupled with flexibility and acute sense of communication are qualities you should develop.

Your Yin and Yang Polarity

The twelve signs are divided into two polarities, called active or passive, or sometimes masculine and feminine, positive and negative, Yang and Yin. This classification corresponds to two quite distinct tonalities, the first one bringing extraversion, action, self-confidence and dynamism, the second one, introversion, reactivity, reflection and caution. None is superior to the other, each group has its own assets and shortcomings. Odd signs - Aries, Gemini, Leo, Libra, Sagittarius and Aquarius - belong to the first group, whereas even signs - Taurus, Cancer, Virgo, Scorpio, Capricorn and Pisces - belong to the second group.

Your Yin and Yang Polarity



According to the disposition and qualities of your planets and angles, you are rather influenced by Yang energy, the active polarity, Alexandra David-Néel: more concerned about actions than reflection, you sometimes rush without standing back and without the deepness that is needed. However, your spontaneity prompts you to take fresh starts, even after repeated failures caused by your rashness.

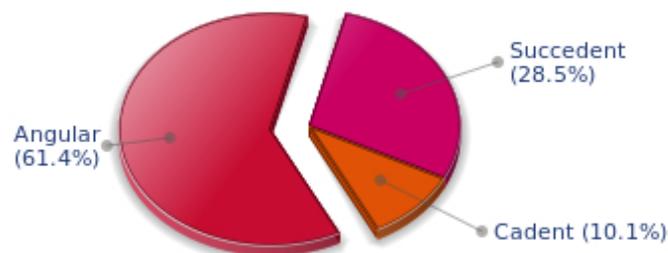
Your Houses' Accentuations

Houses are split up into three groups: angular, succedent and cadent.

The first ones are the most important ones, the most "noticeable" and energetic houses. They are the 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th houses. Their cuspides correspond to four famous angles: Ascendant for the 1st house, Imum Coeli for the 4th house, Descendant, opposite the Ascendant, for the 7th house and Midheaven for the 10th house, opposite the Imum Coeli.

Planets are evaluated according to a whole set of criteria that includes comprehensive Western astrology rules. At their turn, planets emphasize specific types of houses, signs, repartitions etc., as previously explained.

Your Houses' Accentuations



Your angular houses, namely, the 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th houses, are very emphasized in your chart,

Alexandra David-Néel: according to the Tradition, they are the strongest and most dynamic houses. Should the rest of your chart concur, angular houses suggest that you are an enterprising, energetic and assertive woman. Indeed, angular houses are said to generate impulsions and to give a powerful and domineering personality.

Unusual fates are often linked to a predominance of angular houses, but this is only a partial indication...

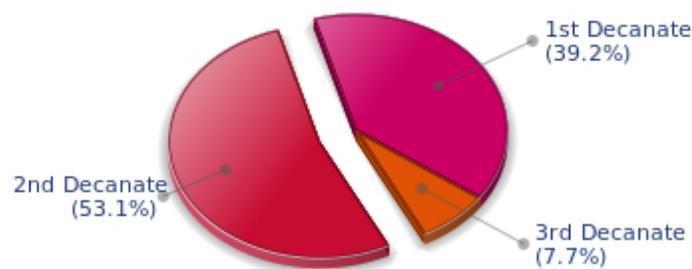
Your Esoteric Decanates

Each sign contains 30 degrees and can be divided into three equal parts: the decanates. The Tradition indicates that specific meanings can be associated to each of the three decanates. Their sphere of activity is usually limited to the Sun sign, however, it is even more interesting to observe the distribution of all the planets in the chart to get an idea of the respective importance of the three decanates, which can complement the description of the personality.

These meanings must be considered with the greatest caution. Indeed, they are minor characteristics that can only underline other outstanding traits of character.

Traditionally, the first decanate highlights the characteristics of the sign where a planet is located. The two other decanates correspond to sub-dominant planets, depending on the nature of each sign. This system leads to a multiplication of meanings and it is impossible to have a clear understanding: here, we prefer to give only the meaning of one decanate in comparison with the other two, within the birth chart as a whole. Again, the greatest caution is needed with regard to this minor indication as it is not always reliable: it is not essential that you read these texts in the beginning. You can get back to them later on, once you have read more important interpretations

Your Esoteric Decanates



The second decanate, which means the part between 10° and 20° of any zodiacal sign, prevails in your natal chart, Alexandra David-Néel: these 10 zodiacal degrees emphasize logical thought and mental values. Therefore, you may be drawn to some kind of scientific activities, research, writing or any sort of expression where you have to... think a lot.

Annex 2: Karmic Study

The karmic theme is a good complement to the psychological portrait, or natal chart. This analysis is based on the positions of the Lunar Nodes, the Black Moon and the Part of Fortune: they are also called fictitious points and describe the spiritual purpose of your destiny. Because there is in all of us an experience and a quest, our life is an evolutionary journey... provided that we head towards the right direction, of course! Indian astrologers highly prize the Nodes axis (North Node and South Node). It is the Ariadne's thread that we are invited to follow. The Black Moon indicates the sector where we are most likely to transform or to transcend, whereas the Part of Fortune points out the area where we can easily express our specificity.

The Lunar Nodes: a spiritual path

Lunar Nodes have their roots in the Indian tradition and they are based on a simple concept: each of us have a mission of their own, here on earth, a destiny, a course. According to the Indian philosophy, life is a school: the nodal axis describes our past experiences (South Node, our karma, our spiritual inheritance or our previous lives), and our aims on earth (North Node, our Dharma, the purpose of our current incarnation). This is the reason why the study of the lunar nodes is called "Karmic astrology". Here, we shall not step into hypothetical past lives. Wherever our current trends may come from, all that really matters is that we become aware of the purpose of our life, its finality and our dharma. We are likely to understand our life purpose around the age of 37, when the Lunar Nodes return to their natal position.

You make friends easily and you earn your entourage's confidence and esteem. Very early, you develop an acute sense of fraternal relations, generously receiving and giving. This spirit of mutual aid may lead to a happy-go-lucky attitude that may border on carelessness... As you rely too heavily on friendship, there may be a danger to undergo a few setbacks: idealism and spontaneous dedication may meet with ungrateful reactions or the indifference of the very persons whom you try to help. Your destiny is probably marked with a quest of individual achievement. It is of utmost importance that you create, that you beget a fruit, a work or a child. Little by little, you become independent, without selfishness, but with the strength of those who know that they can only rely on themselves. Do not hesitate to live your dreams to the end and to engender, over and over again. Creation, whatever its form, is the path to your fulfilment. You slowly discover the pleasure to design as you please, without outside interference. It is important that you find an area for your personal expression and, as the poet says, "before the eyes, constantly, night and day, either a great labour or a great love".

Very early in life you showed a strong desire to intensely live through your passions. You are sensitive to your personal prestige and you adopted dramatic attitudes as you needed your merits to be acknowledged and you wanted to arouse esteem and admiration. Your individualistic ways may have caused setbacks: you are criticized for your egocentrism or at least, for your lack of openness and compassion. As time goes by, your life's challenge is probably to gain a taste for collaborations, fraternity, and unselfish love. If you can put aside your touchiness, you become able to relinquish your pride and to focus your energy on larger actions such as collective tasks, or even, universal works. Life teaches you a philosophy of harmony and union, far from your primary desires and needs. You then discover an entirely different realm, a spiritual dimension, the major features of which are abnegation, selflessness and the access to a world of altruism that provides more satisfactions than anything else. Self-sacrifice, friendship and fraternity are the path to your fulfilment.

Lilith or the Dark Moon

The Black Moon is the spark of refusal and distance that is dormant in all of us. Depending on the sign where she is found in your chart, she highlights the desire to transform and to sublimate a part of your life. The Black Moon is unfathomable and mysterious. She gives a different dimension to the sector she touches. Her manifestations are subtle; nonetheless, she is powerful, implacable, demanding to the extreme... The Black Moon is also called Lilith. She is the inner flame of your heroism and insubordination.

It is in the humanitarian field that rebellion is best expressed. Your dream is to become the spearhead for a different project of society, the Quixote of altruism. Each individual must be independent, really free to think and to act. Any hindrance to free will makes you indignant! The danger is that you may not tolerate any external constraint. This is probably the price to be paid for a freedom of thought that constitutes the core of your progression.

One of the main drives of your life is your rejection of mediocrity: the intention is commendable although it is two-edged. You attach so much importance to charisma that you may reject a person whom you deem – wrongly – unworthy of your esteem! If you avoid this trap, the requirements that you demand from yourself as well as from your close friends become an exceptional springboard for evolution.

The Part of Fortune in House

The Part of Fortune is a very ancient fictitious point that depends on the lunar phase at the time of birth. The astrological house tenanted is particularly strengthened. In your chart, the Part of Fortune is in the 9th house: you live for adventures and you want to go beyond the limits of your abilities with a view to discover new schools of thought. The key to your motivations is travel under all its forms, geographical, spiritual or inner exploration. You need to broaden your field of consciousness, which can be too ambitious a word to describe simple experiences: the taste for foreign or strange cultures, accepting and understanding differences.

Retrograde Planets

The karmic tradition insists on the issues related to the so-called retrograde planets. They are considered to be the inheritance of a past that was not well experienced, a sort of unfinished business. The interpretations of the retrogradation may seem negative or excessive to you. However, you may relate to a scenario that you have often and repeatedly experienced... as if you underwent several setbacks that all have the same cause. Until the day you become aware of it and you can free yourself from it! Through the slow integration of these planetary energies, you will be able to overcome your difficulties and to pay your karmic debt. Actually, each retrograde planet highlights an opportunity for evolution. Nothing can be achieved without the will to grow spiritually and to defeat your own demons.

With Jupiter retrograding on the day of your birth, the lesson is about grasping the opportunities that are offered to all of us but that some people take advantage of, while others don't. Persons who quickly adjust to circumstances are more likely to achieve their ambitions than those who need to be encouraged to take action. During your childhood, you may not have efficiently responded to life's concrete enticements, leaving other "luckier" people to achieve what you were dreaming of. You preferred to enjoy yourself, here and now, rather than to look for new paths of development or exploration. It is possible that you were not optimistic enough. Enterprising minds were alien to you... Later, you find out

that, indeed, you give little importance to the credit of the frenzied expansion praised by the modern world. Your path is not oriented towards personal prestige. With subtlety, you integrate non-material values and you accept well the fact that you missed past opportunities.

Uranus was retrograding on the day of your birth: you have the soul of a rebel and your behaviour may often be tyrannical or extremist. Your manner has brought you setbacks. You lack the flexibility that spares you the pain of forcing your ways through events. The danger may be that you get trapped into rigid patterns and into personal logics incompatible with others'. This is precisely what your life's lesson is about: as years go by, your judgments are more qualified and your attitudes become less cut-and-dried, less stubborn. You must lose the essentially individualistic character of your childhood and be more open to other people's ideas and problems. In other words, a path of love. Without losing your remarkable resolution, you must practice some form of renunciation and be sensitive to various logics that constitute the wealth of your social life.

Neptune retrograding concerns spirituality. You may have expressed early in life a few reluctances about the subtle world of faith. You may have ignored destiny's signs and winks and you preferred to stick to your certainties, to a rigorous and objective control of your life. You dread your own aspirations and you readily trust others': this causes a lack of autonomy and the feeling that you may not receive as much as you give. However, several delusions teach you that you must relativize your calculating and methodical attitude and open up to the irrationality of love in order to find an inner and more spiritual progression. Embracing the invisible is a process that unfolds as years and experiences go by. Your own generosity increases as you become aware of your entourage's generosity.

Pluto retrograde suggests power issues and mishandled relations: for you, everything comes down to power struggles, submission and domination, Machiavellian manoeuvres, including within your couple... The results are complex behaviours and an obsession for the power to influence people. Yet, life teaches that you must simplify your relations and adopt more transparent attitudes and healthier desires... As years go by, you will tend towards more simplicity and you will slowly discover that human energy can, and must, be at the service of the good, or of well being, in compliance with our individual progression.

N.B: modern astrology attaches less and less importance to the principles of retrograding planets.

Conclusion

A few remarks are needed here in order to allow you to fully take advantage of your astrological portrait: firstly, do not forget that a birth chart is also a photograph of the sky at birth and a structure that not only contains the personality's characteristics, but also its potential evolution.

We all know that, in real life, people begin to know themselves when they are in their forties, or even later. Likewise, several traits of character in a portrait may seem surprising: in most cases, it means that such features are not yet developed.

Some personalities reveal themselves late in life, whereas others are more precocious. It must be remembered that psychological structures are in a state of continuous evolution because they are influenced by unfolding events and gradual maturity. We can never underline strongly enough the "mobile" nature of the personality, throughout a lifetime.

On the other hand, it is difficult to discriminate what is "already present" at this moment in your life when you are reading your chart's interpretation, from what will appear later in the logic of your evolution: you must sort out all the pieces of information provided and, in most cases, you will see that your astrological portrait is helpful for your endeavours to know yourself better.

Finally, several readings of an astrological portrait are usually necessary in order to absorb all its different meanings and to evaluate the relevance of each character trait.

In any case, better self-knowledge obviously contributes to faster personal blossoming, and it is undoubtedly one of astrology's major roles: contributing to know oneself better, in order to improve more rapidly, to deal with one's weaknesses and to avoid its drawbacks, and to take advantage of one's assets as efficiently as possible.
