



YEAR OF THE
RABBIT

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Defining the Rabbit personality

PEOPLE born in the Year of the Rabbit often make ideal diplomats or politicians as they are imbued with grace, culture and beautiful manners. This makes them very hospitable and attentive people who take care of those around them.

Although Rabbit people get on well with everyone, at heart, they are basically reserved creatures and are only really happy when they are engrossed in some sort of scholarly or intellectual activity.

Most Rabbit people harp on the importance of details, paying close attention to everything from colour, design and furniture to food and conversation. And only when they are sure that everything has been arranged as they wished, can they relax and have fun.

Rabbit people often lead a conservative lifestyle with their security being their most important consideration. This quality of opting for safety over risk may cause them to miss good opportunities. But they do not thrive in a competitive or aggressive environment. They get anxious if forced to take risks and are unsettled by unpredictable situations.

However, Rabbit people are sensitive to the world around them and can be sentimental and compassionate. They are easily moved by other people's personal problems.

ROMANCE

Rabbit people make great partners in relationships. Being romantic, sweet and faithful, they never lack for suitors. However, they are in extreme need of trust, security and tenderness in a relationship and are really happy when they manage to create an intimate and relaxed atmosphere.

They expect their beloved to be on the same wavelength as them and any hurtful or careless comment will lead them to withdraw into their shell and place serious doubts in their mind.

In spite of their devotion to their loved ones, Rabbit people also demand alone time for themselves. Sometimes, it takes time for them to find a partner but when they find their soulmate, their attachment is boundless.

The Rabbit is compatible with the Goat, Boar and Dog; less compatible with the Rat, Rabbit, Dragon, Ox, Tiger, Snake and Monkey; and least compatible with the Rooster and Horse.

CAREER

Call them cautious or call them timid, Rabbit people will undertake nothing before weighing all the pros and cons from every angle. That is probably why Rabbit people do their work so well.

They are balanced in outlook and cautious in approach, and like to be informed of all the facts before making a judgement. They usually cannot bear the cut and thrust of business life, preferring work that is more methodical and reliable.

At times, they tend to be too conservative in their thinking but are gifted with a positive yet practical outlook that few can fault. They also have a talent to avoid trouble and identify opportunities.

But it is important to remember that their creative talents come to the fore only when they are allowed to work at their own pace. So the ideal jobs for Rabbit people are, for example, as a counsellor, barrister, judge, solicitor, adviser or secretary.

As a rule, colleagues value the Rabbit people's tact and modesty and the fact that they are unlikely to step over others to achieve their goals.

Some famous Rabbits include Ingrid Bergman, Lewis Carroll, John Cleese, Peter Fonda, Cary Grant, Bob Hope, Michael Keaton, John Keats, Roger Moore, Whitney Houston, George Orwell, Neil Simon, Sting and Orson Welles.



(clockwise from top) Bergman; Keaton; Sting; and Houston.

What the Rabbit year brings

> How the various zodiac animal signs fare in the year ahead

WHILE the general outlook for the Year of the Rabbit appears somewhat discouraging, there are some uplifting news for eight of the 12 zodiac animal signs, says feng shui consultant Lillian Too. "Thankfully, the stars of the 24 Mountains coupled with good annual Flying Stars provide excellent relief for many of the animal signs, especially for the Ox, Snake and Horse."

So, here are the highlights of what Too sees for each of the animal signs in the Year of the Rabbit:

RABBIT

(1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987, 1999)

The Rabbit has a tough year ahead. The Five Yellow brings misfortune, so this is a year to lie low and make sure that all the cures in your home are put in place. Wear plenty of protective charms - and if possible, wear the five-element pagoda pendant at all times. Burn lots of incense to appease the local landlords - this will go a long way in improving your luck.



ROOSTER

(1945, 1957, 1969, 1981, 1993, 2005)

The Rooster faces a challenging year ahead. The Star of Natural Disaster strikes at the heart of the Rooster and being flanked by the Three Killings makes matters worse. Roosters should lie low and use protective charms to improve their luck.



DRAGON

(1940, 1952, 1964, 1976, 1988, 2000)

The Dragon will enjoy a good year ahead, with plenty of little achievements that add up to a pretty good year. Heaven luck is also on the Dragon's side, so help will manifest when help is needed. But being so close to the Five Yellow means misfortune can set in anytime. Best to subdue the Five Yellow and carry the five-element pagoda charm at all times.



DOG

(1946, 1958, 1970, 1982, 1994, 2006)

The Dog will have an average year. Money is indicated - but it comes with conflict and obstacles. Activate the Northwest direction with the Crystal 8 and use the strong metal sounds generated by singing bowls and bells to clear your living space regularly. Offering incense to local landlords will also help tremendously.



PIG

(1947, 1959, 1971, 1983, 1995, 2007)

The Pig has a great year! Flanked by the Big and Small Auspicious Stars, the Pig also enjoys the Prosperity Flying Star. So this is definitely a money-making year for the Pig. Make the most of it by activating the Northwest direction appropriately and supporting all your friends and allies.



RAT

(1948, 1960, 1972, 1984, 1996, 2008)

The Rat enjoys an excellent year of auspiciousness, flanked by two Big Auspicious Stars, bringing prosperity and gold! But the Quarrelsome Star makes an appearance, bringing stress and obstacles to the Rat. This can be overcome by inviting the Dragon - the ally of the Rat - into your home.



OX

(1949, 1961, 1973, 1985, 1997, 2009)

The Ox is in for a spectacular year and is the luckiest animal sign in 2011! The Ox enjoys the divine patronage of the Golden Deity, who brings cosmic blessings and protection to those she favours. The Ox is also flanked by two Big Auspicious Stars and visited by the Wealth No.1 Flying Star, so this is definitely the year for the Ox to pursue his or her financial dreams with confidence and in earnest!



TIGER

(1950, 1962, 1974, 1986, 1998, 2010)

The Tiger will have a pretty good year, too! The Big Auspicious Star and the Heaven Seal bring prosperity and authority from Heaven, indicating possible promotion or change of status. But the Five Yellow can cause misfortune, so be sure to subdue it with the five-element pagoda.



SNAKE

(1941, 1953, 1965, 1977, 1989, 2001)

The Snake is in for a very heavenly year. Money and success are indicated by the two Small Auspicious Stars and one Big Auspicious Star, and what's more, the Divine Flying Star flies into the Snake's palace. All this adds up to a really fortuitous year for the Snake, punctuated with both small and large achievements. Capture it with Heaven Luck activators.



HORSE

(1942, 1954, 1966, 1978, 1990, 2002)

The Horse can look forward to big money. Flanked by two Big Auspicious Stars, prosperity is literally at the Horse's doorstep. However, all this money-making will take its toll in terms of health - as the energy of the Horse is sapped by both the Illness Flying Star and the Star of Reducing Energy. My advice is to place plenty of feng shui health cures.



GOAT

(1943, 1955, 1967, 1979, 1991, 2003)

The Goat will enter a domestic year. Money won't be a problem as the Big Auspicious Star and the Earth Seal protect against loss. Marriage, romance and home-making are on the cards in the Sheep's life this year. Excellent year for the Goat to get married or have babies!



MONKEY

(1944, 1956, 1968, 1980, 1992, 2004)

The Monkey had a difficult Tiger Year, but this year, will be slightly better. Love and romance is indicated for the Monkey, so this is a good year to tie the knot. Small robbery is indicated, so the Monkey should wear protective charms to disarm this star.

