Astrology of December 2025

Overview of December 2025



December begins with Jupiter, Uranus, Neptune and Chiron all retrograde with Neptune going direct on 10th and although that is the only change of direction this month, by the end of December we will feel Chiron slowing, preparing to go direct on 2nd January. So the month is relatively quiet after November's topsy-turvy energies. Mercury went direct on 29th November so will still be in its shadow until 17th.

December (in the northern hemisphere) often feels like a gentle slide into the darkest part of the year akin to going into the dark of the Moon with a rebirth when the light returns at the New Moon, represented here by the Winter Solstice on 21st as the next astrological quarter begins and we reach the shortest and darkest day of the year and the light slowly returns. These last few weeks of this season always bring energies of finishing up, bringing themes to a close, re-working and adjusting and this ties in perfectly with Mercury's shadow period leading up to the Solstice.

December's Full Moon (4th) is the last Full Moon of this quarter and the two weeks after offer the opportunity for some final releasing of old energies and there is quite a lot going on in this period. First we have Neptune turning direct on 10th, on 11th Mercury re-enters Sagittarius,

Mars then changes signs on 15th and Mercury comes out of its shadow on 17th so that it is traversing 'new' territory from then on. The New Moon is on 20th and the 21st hosts the big contact of the month, a testing square between Jupiter and Chiron as the Sun reaches the end of Sagittarius and then slips into Capricorn at the Solstice.

There are two patterns that might go unnoticed that add weight at the moment. Since October's New Moon the Sun has been in between Mars and Venus and they have gradually been getting closer. Their contacts don't become exact until 6th to 9th January but they are close enough to be really significant in the Solstice chart as well as providing background balancing of masculine and feminine polarities throughout December.

Another anomaly is something I've never spotted before. By the Full Moon, the outer planets, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto are numerically, according to their degrees, in order, so as Mercury and the Sun, Moon and Venus pass over them they are contacting these in order! This is a very significant sequence adding yet another layer of activations.

The Full Moon chart brings some old karma to the surface for release and/or transformation and it is vital that we clear as much as we can before the New Moon and Solstice.

The New Moon occurs the day before the Solstice so is right at the end of Sagittarius, activating a fresh start, and the work that we have done since the Full Moon, coupled with the planetary contacts and activations in that time, are clearing the weeds from the soil, levelling it out in readiness to sow seeds for our future. And we can finally shed the shackles of feeling unable to freely be our spiritual selves.

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Building to the Full Moon on 4th, there is just one contact with a potentially helpful connection between Venus, newly in Sagittarius and Pluto on 2nd. Pluto's energies can show us an old pattern ripe for transformation which might be concerned with power or control issues which will clash with Sagittarius's love of freedom of expression. Pluto is also showing us how old, ingrained thought patterns limit us, how we are disempowering ourselves. Venus and Mars currently sit either side of the Sun and this continues into early January and provides a natural opportunity to rebalance feminine and masculine energies. Venus is associated with our closest connections (relationships), finances, selfworth and values and any of these could show up.

This is an opportunity to find a balance between risk and control, to see the value in measured risk and putting positive boundaries in place. Follow your passions whilst employing the mind to put a plan in place and steer them. Passion alone won't carry it through and needs a foundation and some sort of plan to get to where you want to be!



December's Full Moon on 4th is a Supermoon and has the Sun in Sagittarius and the Moon in Gemini. Venus has been most active in the lead up as it has connected with the outer planets in turn and then

changed signs, finishing with a potentially helpful connection to Pluto on 2nd. A week before, Saturn and then Mercury went direct so they are both picking up speed and beginning their retracing of their retrograde journey and Mercury connects with Chiron, Jupiter and Saturn in the three days after the Full Moon, with each being the third of three connections. The Sun will square the Nodes on 5th making it a potent energy at the Full Moon whilst also on 5th, Mars counteracts these karmic challenges with a helpful connection with Chiron.

Looking further ahead this month, this Full Moon is the last of this quarter and the last before the Solstice on 21st and therefore offers a last opportunity to release and clear old energies in this season and especially themes that have arisen since the Autumn Equinox (22nd Sept). 10th to 20th December is helping to close chapters and end cycles.

The New Moon is right at the end of this quarter, the day before the Solstice so it is vital that we do what we can in the coming two weeks to heal old wounds, release old emotions that are trapping us in the past and free ourselves from mental anguish, especially guilt and shame. Forgiveness needs to be fostered, more than likely needed for ourselves too.

The more past hurts that we release, the more we are able to positively look forward and to envision the future that we want.

5th to 8th, the days immediately after the Full Moon help to bring old energies to the surface but many of these will already have surfaced leading up to Mercury's retrograde and been reworked during the actual retrograde. These third and final contacts can either bring resolution or set us on the right track to making the necessary change once Mercury is covering new ground again. I will put the previous two dates of each in brackets so you can go back and look these up and see how the energies are evolving. Firstly on 5th it niggles with retrograde Chiron (24/10 & 24/11) then on 6th it makes a very helpful connection to Jupiter (24/10 & 22/11) and on 7th it makes another helpful connection to Saturn (25/10 & 22/11). Together these make a pattern that can flow with ease, heighten intuition and support us to allow emotions to positively arise, flow and release. Old feelings of limitation can evaporate and we can realise how we have given too much weight in the past to following others rules and regulations, or felt we were at the mercy of systems and

authorities. Self-care still needs to be practised and is where we might falter and it is time to put our own needs at the top of the list!

Adding to Mercury's tidying up of business, the Sun and the Nodes have a challenging aspect on 5th whilst Mars makes a more helpful connection with Chiron so whilst old karma will undoubtedly show up, we can take positive steps to eradicating it and freeing ourselves of 'burdens' we have been carrying. There are no additional contacts on 6th. On 7th Mars niggles with retrograde Jupiter and squares with Saturn on 8th creating a push/pull, expand/contract contrast with Mercury and Saturn that could get us stuck if we don't allow the energies to flow.

These are three days that, if we don't resist and if we harness the energies, should seamlessly evolve, help us to free our minds and to put healthier emotional and mental habits into place.



Neptune will go direct on 10th December and we will feel that quite strongly on 9th although its influence is subtle and creeps in more like a mist and gradually envelops us. This concentrated Neptunian energy does not bring clarity and can heighten illusion and escapism. If possible, I suggest delaying any major decision until the fog has cleared as the truth will be hard to ascertain and the mists will likely obscure facts. Decisions made a day or two either side of its station could be

weighted by nostalgia and viewed through rose-tinted glasses that will later lead to disappointment as things turn out not to be as we hoped or dreamt.

Conversely, in some areas of our lives, where deceit has been present before, Neptune's retrograde can reveal the truth so we might get a realisation that can also be prompted by Mercury making its third opposition to Uranus (previous connections on 29/10 & 19/11). This could also bring us realisations of how our thought patterns have contributed to not feeling safe and secure, how we resist change and try to stay in our comfort zone or how we have internalised fear from something unexpected happening in the past.

Security is an inside job, nothing external, no -thing, no person can make us feel secure.

Thoughts and emotions might intensify as Mercury reaches the last degree of Scorpio on 11th but as it does, it makes a helpful connection with Neptune which is at the last degree of the zodiac and encouraging us to step off of the karmic wheel. Venus has a challenging connection to the karmic Nodes and then we reach the waning half Moon which is the mid-way point between the Full Moon (4th) and the upcoming New Moon on 20th. So there will undoubtedly be some karmic under, if not overtones to themes that arise but if they have been evolving through Mercury's retrograde, this could be the final throes or offer some resolution, likely a realisation which follows on from yesterday's influences. Intuition will be heightened and it will be important to trust our instincts and any gut feeling.

Make note of any ideas that you gain on how to move forwards on your spiritual path or ideas around how you can be of higher service, your spiritual calling. Old, 'lower' service energies are part of the old karmic wheel that need to be released.

Know that you are good enough, you are enough, you can make a difference in the world and find your spiritual vocation.

Mars is prominent from 13th to 15th, connecting with Uranus and Neptune as it reaches the end of Sagittarius, then entering Capricorn on 15th. The Sun is currently sitting midway between Venus and Mars, encouraging a rebalancing of yin/yang, feminine and masculine and the various clusters we have in the chart means that we are getting two or three days when either Mars or Venus make a series of connections.

Mercury also has a helpful connection to Pluto on 13th, The third of three, its previous connections were on 30th October and 17th November so it might help to look back to those dates and see what arose then. Pluto is encouraging new thought and communication patterns, Mercury's sign brings a welcome, uninhibited freedom of expression whilst Mars and Uranus niggle with each other, contrasting freedom of expression with fears around safety and security.

14th has the Sun making a very helpful trine to Chiron, highlighting a karmic wound whilst Mars now challenges Neptune, both at potent 29°, with Neptune newly direct and picking up speed. Whilst old energies are going to try to pull us into despair or despondency and make us keen to escape, a breakthrough can come when we realise that we are not alone, that the freedom we seek lies within our heart and we are the ones that can throw the shackles off. This combination can make our physical energy wane or bring a vague feeling of things being a bit off.

Very positively we can find a greater spiritual awareness, a Soul connection, a connection to our guides or Source that sparks an inner remembrance to light our way forward. We might logically know that we are eternal Souls, that we are all connected; this remembrance and Soul spark can take that thought from our mind into our hearts, so that we truly feel it, we know it deep within us.

The Sun niggles with Jupiter before Mars leaves Sagittarius and enters Capricorn on 15th and this will enable more structure, more considered action to be taken and the urge to escape should dwindle as we are able to embrace the steps that we need to take to get to where we want to be. We can start new, positive habits and plan to achieve our long term goals.

17th to 19th, leading up to the New Moon (20th) and Solstice (21st) are very unusually important and contain a series of activations by the Sun. Uniquely, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto, which are astrologically in that order, are now also, numerically in degrees, in that order so the Sun connected with Jupiter yesterday, will contact Saturn today, Uranus on 19th, Neptune a few hours before the Solstice on 21st and after it has entered Capricorn and the new quarter/season has begun, with Pluto on 24th.

Although it is difficult to completely explain what these contacts are doing it is not difficult to sense that this is no coincidence and a deliberate series of activations. Three of these occur before the New Moon which is the day before the Solstice. It feels like a grand reordering, lots of individual cogs of a giant, celestial wheel manoeuvring into place. The biggest connection of the month, a testing square between Jupiter and Chiron, both retrograde, is fuelling background tension and building to be exact just before the Solstice.

On 17th December, Mercury comes out of its shadow, meaning that it has got back to the point at which it went retrograde and is therefore traversing 'new' territory from here onwards. The themes that its retrograde brought up should either now be concluded or have resolved as far as they can until the next retrograde. The Sun's square to Saturn pits risk-taking against fear and could focus us on what we feel is limiting or restricting our sense of freedom. Expansion versus contraction, is the limitation real or self-imposed through how we view the situation?

Venus and Mars, the feminine and masculine archetypes of the chart are both active on 18th and this bears extra light due to them being either side of the Sun for at least a month and leading into the New Year. This brings a natural need to rebalance their contrasting energies and to find a blend within ourselves and in our expression that is more aligned and complementary. Mars has moved into Capricorn and from here now niggles with Pluto whilst Venus has a more favourable connection with Chiron. Look out for something that feels like a very old pattern, a reaction that takes you to a deep, uncomfortable feeling that you recognise as being one that you fall back into when events trigger this old wound. Old power or control issues could show up and rules or restrictions imposed on us can bring frustration, anger or a sense of disempowerment, futility or limitation.

Look for how masculine and feminine expressions are part of these and where there is an imbalance. Empowerment and breaking the old pattern can come through realising that we no longer need to follow limitations and rules placed on us in our childhood, that we have sovereignty, the courage and strength to make our own decisions and to stand by our own values. Customs can enrich our learning and connection to the ancestors, but many are repeated both collectively and within families, out of fear of stepping out of societies norms and being seen as different. This is the opposite of being authentic and is when we need to weigh up what is valid for us, now.

In the dark of the Moon on 19th, the Sun niggles with Uranus, still retrograde, whilst Venus also niggles with retrograde Jupiter. The dark of the Moon, before a rebirth at the New Moon, brings shadow emotions to the fore, the darkest parts of our psyche, the secrets that we have kept to ourselves, the parts of ourselves that we least want to show or tell people about. The Sun is around the area of the Galactic Centre offering the opportunity to explore these areas and galactic mysteries and influences in meditation and they could provide more of a cosmic overview to our earthly, mundane challenges or reveal terrestrial origins that help to make sense of who we are and why we incarnated at this time. It is possible that there may be revelations about space and other galaxies in the collective.

Whilst wanting freedom of expression and to be authentic, look for old layers of also not wanting to feel different and stand out, as that might in past lives, have threatened your safety. Tune into this and know that it is safer than it has ever been to show our true selves and for that to be celebrated.

Cast off fear, old insecurities, judgements and fear of criticism and celebrate your uniqueness! The time is coming for us all to truly step into our authentic selves, to shine our light and do what we came to do to help this planet and humanity to evolve.



December's New Moon occurs the day before the Solstice and is therefore at the end of this quarter which began at the Autumn Equinox. A new beginning at the end of a cycle, how does that work, you might well ask?

If you read back over the last few days, you will have seen that the Sun has had a series of activations with the outer planets which are very uniquely now in numerical order of their degrees and therefore are being connected to in that order. The only exact connection on the day of the New Moon is that of a testing square between Mercury, only just out of its shadow, and the Nodes which show us old karmic patterns but there are three more challenging squares in the hours between the New Moon and the Solstice. The Sun will move on from its conjunction with the Moon in Sagittarius, which forms the New Moon, to square Neptune early the next day, followed by Venus squaring Saturn. The biggest connection of the month is yet another testing square between Jupiter and Chiron who are making their second square after their first was on 23rd October. Jupiter is the planet of expansion whilst Chiron represents a karmic wound and this combination highlights old family wounds and has been helping us to see how it is now time to practise self-care which is not self-ish, but necessary, as none of us can give from an empty pot. The only mitigating factor here is that with both being retrograde, the influence is not as direct as direct contacts and may just signify the next

phase of what arose earlier, but there will undoubtedly be something karmic showing up.

Old wounds might also include loneliness, feeling lack of support, past life echoes of abandonment or emotional neglect, especially around the mother and mothering. It is time to let these go and to mother ourselves, to care for ourselves.

Issues around freedom are likely to arise and with Neptune's position right at the end of the zodiac, we can finally shed the shackles of feeling unable to freely be our spiritual selves. Ancient witch-hunt type energies underlie many a spiritual person who is reluctant to step into the limelight or even to talk openly about their interest or abilities or to be seen doing what is natural to them. It is becoming easier and easier to speak about all these matters and all things esoteric, complementary, energetic etc. Personally, I have only recently been through a big clearing of a past life where I was ostracised, cast out because of my abilities and powers which were considered to be demonic by the small-minded community in which I lived. The wounds from that life went deep and were multilayered and lodged through many lifetimes and finally I have been able to free myself, so I am sharing this as encouragement that we can make major shifts and make big clearings at any time in our life.

Although these tricky connections are stirring the pot, rather than oiling the wheels at this New Moon, they are bringing things into alignment, forcing wounds to be seen so that they can be cleared. A gardening analogy would be that the ground is being cleared of weeds, the soil turned and prepared ready for new plants and seeds to be sown. This New Moon brings that fresh soil into place ahead of the Solstice, it is already there, waiting for us.

Grab your packets of seeds and get ready to sow your dreams and your future!



21st December is the Winter Solstice in the northern hemisphere, Summer Solstice in the southern. This is the beginning of the next season, the next astrological quarter as the Sun enters Capricorn and the chart for the Solstice indicates the energies of the coming three signs and months taking us up to the Spring (Autumn) Equinox on 20th March 2026. By then Saturn and Neptune will have returned to Aries and those will be the biggest changes in this period. As they now retrace their paths over the last degrees of Pisces they offer a final opportunity to release old karma and step off of the karmic wheel right up until mid February, when they are both back in Aries.

In this chart, Jupiter, Uranus and Chiron are retrograde and another key is that of the Sun mid-way between Venus and Mars, the feminine and masculine archetypes of the chart. This has been building for a while and offers a natural balancing of these energies. The outer planets are numerically in order with Venus in amongst them.

This is an accelerated time for clearing karmic residues and we might find ourselves dealing with finer layers of things we have already worked on or unearthing the deepest, oldest and most buried energies. Whilst this can be challenging, we are able to clear old energies faster and more easily than ever before. And there is a tandem, parallel timeline of positivity, increasing connectedness, continued raising of vibration, open-heartedness and reawakening of love, truth, joy and bliss. We are

edging ever closer to really stepping into our Soul intention and being of Higher service. And we must remember to give us much, if not more attention to those higher energies, what is working well and continuing to improve, as we navigate clearing.

In fact, the surfacing of deeper or finer layers of karma for clearing is a sign of how our vibration and that of Gaia has raised. These denser vibrations cannot exist in the higher frequencies that we now have and they will continue to rise. As we no longer play into giving our power away to outside authorities, as we embrace sovereignty and our eyes are opened to truths it is as if we are starving the old energies of oxygen, they have nothing to feed on.

There will continue to be disclosures, secrets revealed, whistleblowing and leaders toppling as their positions are also no longer tenable in the new energies.

So overall, in the coming three months, diligently apply yourself to clearing any old energies that arise, commit to clearing the densest echoes from the past, including guilt and shame whilst also make time to be still and connect, to open your higher Heart to love and joy and to equally diligently, do whatever feeds your Soul.

Venus makes a niggly connection with Uranus on 23rd as it nears the end of Sagittarius and crosses the Galactic Centre. Early on 24th Venus then squares with Neptune as the Sun and Pluto niggle and Venus then leaves Sagittarius and joins the Sun and Mars in Capricorn. Venus is closing in behind the Sun now and is therefore following the Sun's tracks and repeating its contacts 2 or 3 days later, further evolving energies initiated by the Sun. Venus's themes are close connections (relationships), finances, values, self-worth and the feminine side of our nature and its two connections before changing signs could highlight challenges from expressing ourselves in what might be considered unconventional feminine ways or not fitting others ideals. A rebellious streak could have got us into trouble at some stage and we are being tested as to whether we stand firm in our sovereignty, values and inner belief in who we are and what is of value to us.

Capricorn will bring a more serious nature to any of Venus's areas of expression whilst adding structure and organisation that we can tap into.

It will be important to make sure we are not caught in duty and responsibilities and make space and time to have some fun!

Venus makes a niggly connection with Pluto on 26th, echoing the Sun's same contact on 24th as it follows in its footsteps. 27th then brings the waxing half Moon marking the midway point between the New Moon (20th) and the upcoming Full Moon on 3rd January with Mercury and Jupiter having a niggly connection a few hours before. On the other side of the half Moon Mercury makes a very helpful connection with retrograde Chiron.

Our values will again be tested, financial issues might seem somewhat out of our control and we will need to look beneath the surface of any fear to spot old survival energies fuelling insecurities and lack of faith that all will be well. Past lives where there were financial difficulties, poverty, family feuds or disagreements over wills and inheritances could be triggered and the Mercury/Chiron connection on 28th can give us insights as to the origins of these or help us to sense these unconscious drivers. Mars brings help on 28th, see below.

Mars brings some help with a lovely connection to the Nodes on 29th encouraging us to take some positive action towards ending old patterns and stepping into new ones. Its action-oriented nature, coupled with Capricorn's organisational abilities can help us to see what we want to achieve in the long-term and to not only plan the steps, but to begin to take them too.

We will, however, need to keep that end goal firmly at the forefront of our minds as Mercury has a couple of challenging connections on 30th to Saturn and on 31st to retrograde Uranus which will test us to keep on track. Mercury's Sagittarian home gives it much more of a need for freedom of expression, a like for risk-taking and a dislike of following rules, especially others' or of following a routine or structure. Hopefully we can blend the two and use these less rigid energies to create a plan to move forwards that scope to evolve as we do. A framework that has some flexibility might be more appealing than a rigid, set structure or procedure. This also gives us the chance to make sure that we are following what is right for us rather than how it might traditionally have been done, or others might previously have done.

Find your own path whilst taking inspiration and general guidance from others who have done similar. Personalise it, and make sure it aligns with the best version of you that you are on the path to become.

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