

The Observatory: March 15 – April 13, 2025



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THE OBSERVATORY

Sun in Pisces Edition – March 15 – April 13, 2025

Dear Readers,

The past week with the Lunar Eclipse falling near the Equinox season proved eventful both in weather and in the news of the world. Because of some dramatic happenings in the skies, I have reprised events beginning on March 11, so that the reader can look back at the week.

The Total Lunar Eclipse on March 14 had the Sun and Moon at the last of Aquarius and Leo, moving into Pisces and Virgo hours later. This, superimposed upon the intensity of the equinox season, and the combination of Mercury/Venus/Rahu/Saturn in the early degrees of Pisces has brought a huge amount of energy into the early degrees of Pisces and the Purva Bhadrapada Nakshatra (23deg20 Aquarius – 06deg40 Pisces). I have listed the dates of events in this complex knot below. Interpretation is complex – I will only say that change, small and large, is in the waters, both in day-to-day affairs and deep changes in the world.

We continue with Jupiter in Taurus in a Parivartana Yoga with exalted Venus in Pisces – the interaction of the two benefic grahas gives many opportunities for favorable muhurtas if an event is planned.

Venus spends the entire month in Pisces in exaltation and mostly retrograde, finally going direct April 12. There is room for extra compassion but also instability in the markets, trade and currency.

Mercury spends the entire month in Pisces in debilitation and moves retrograde from March 15-April 7. In addition to the usual sorts of delays and communication errors of Mercury retrograde, there is less logic and clarity. The best results involve the strength of Venus as they share the same sign all month.

Mars is now direct in motion and moves from Gemini to Cancer on April 3 and leaves Punarvasu for Pushya Nakshatra on April 11. These moves bring less irritability than with Mars in Gemini, but Mars is debilitated in Cancer and feels deeply wounded. Mars will move on to Leo in June.

Jupiter remains in Taurus but moves from Rohini Nakshatra to Mrgashira on April 10.

Saturn leaves Aquarius on March 30 and conjoins Rahu exactly on April 13. Rahu will exit Pisces moving back into Aquarius next month. After April 13, we will be in the status of a Kala Sarpa Yoga for half of every month. Tune in to ACVA's Webinar April 3 to hear Alan Anand's presentation on this important yoga.

The Almanac – February/March 2025

Dates are for Eastern Standard/Daylight Time (-4:00h)

March 11, Mercury conjunct Venus at 14deg33 Pisces (Uttara Bhadrapada)

March 14 (in the USA), Full Moon and Total Lunar Eclipse 14 Sun at 29 degrees Aquarius (Purva Bhadrapada)/Moon at 29 degrees Leo (Uttara Phalguni)

March 15, Sun enters Pisces

March 15, Mercury stations at 15deg22 Pisces (Uttara Bhadrapada)

March 17, Sun conjunct Rahu at 03deg16 Pisces (Purva Bhadrapada)

March 20 at 5:01 am EDT (-4:00), Spring Equinox (Northern Hemisphere)/Fall Equinox (Southern Hemisphere)

March 22, Venus conjunct Sun at 08deg27 Pisces (Uttara Bhadrapada)

March 24, Mercury conjunct Sun at 10deg03 Pisces (Uttara Bhadrapada)

March 28 – March 30 (6:00 am EDT) Moon in Pisces with Sun, Mercury, Venus, and Rahu. (And Saturn on March 30) – six grahas sharing one sign

March 29, New Moon and Partial Solar Eclipse at 14deg11 Pisces (Uttara Bhadrapada), visible only in portions of Greenland and the Canadian Arctic

March 30, Saturn enters Pisces.

April 3, Mercury and Rahu conjunct at 02deg22 Pisces (Purva Bhadrapada) with Mercury moving retrograde

April 3, Mars enters Cancer moving direct

April 4, Venus and Rahu conjunct at 02deg21 Pisces (Purva Bhadrapada) with Venus moving retrograde

April 7, Mercury ends retrograde and begins direct motion at 02deg38 Pisces (Purva Bhadrapada)

April 7, Venus and Saturn conjunct at 01deg06 Pisces (Purva Bhadrapada) with Venus moving retrograde

April 10, Jupiter leave Rohini and enters Mrgashira Nakshatra

April 11, Mars leaves Punarvasu and enters Pushya Nakshatra moving direct

April 12, Full Moon at 28deg57 Virgo (Revati)

April 13, Venus ends retrograde and begins direct motion at 00deg25 Pisces (Purva Bhadrapada)

April 13, Saturn conjunct Rahu at 01deg49 Pisces (Purva Bhadrapada)

April 13 Sun enters Aries (in EDT)