

The Observatory: May-June, 2025



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THE OBSERVATORY

Sun in Taurus/Gemini edition: May 14 – June 30, 2025

We begin the month of the Sun in Taurus on May 14, on the same day that Jupiter changes signs from Taurus to Gemini. Those who attended the webinar lecture with Paul Manley last weekend had a chance to concentrate on Jupiter and Saturn changing signs together. In short, Jupiter and Saturn both now make Vedic aspects on the sign of Sagittarius. People, activities, living beings, and places associated with the dual signs Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces will experience change, but especially Sagittarius. Already in the world newsfeed we can sense the quickening pace of changes that have seemingly been held back. The world has experienced many such changes, but as humans we have the ability to adapt.

All the visible planets are moving rapidly in direct motion. Mercury moves from Aries to Cancer in the next six weeks, changing its residence in Nakshatras every 5 to 8 days! Look for Mercury making a conjunction with Jupiter in Gemini on June 9. Venus leaves Pisces after a long stay of several months due to its recent retrogression, and enters Aries on June 1. On June 29 Venus will enter its own sign Taurus.

Mars is picking up speed in direct motion and finally leaves its debilitation sign Cancer to move into Leo, the sign of his Great Friend, on June 6. Remember that Mars has been in Gemini and Cancer since last August, and neither were favorable signs. Be ready for this significant change in status. After that date, Mars will be making a Vedic 1:8 aspect from Leo to Saturn in Pisces. This is a challenging aspect, but keep in mind that the sign rulers for Leo and Pisces are the Sun and Jupiter, who are exactly conjoined in Gemini on June 24-25.

Mercury spends much of June in its own sign Gemini wherein it disposes the Sun and Jupiter. There may be auspicious moments for communication and negotiation. If you'd like to write, or to study Jyotish, June might be an ideal time to begin.

The invisible shadow planets Rahu and Ketu will complete their transition from Pisces/Virgo into Aquarius/Leo on May 29. Mars will join Ketu in Leo after June 6. All of us have an inbred

tendency to resist change, but changes come with Rahu and Ketu, who will shift the emphasis to these air and fire signs.

The Kala Sarpa Yoga pattern, wherein the Sun, Moon, and the visible planets are all grouped on one side of the Rahu/Ketu axis, will continue for the next few months. The conditions will apply any time the Moon is between the end of Aquarius and the end of Leo – half the month. There will be intense focus on certain themes and activities to the exclusion of others.

Those who look to the lunar cycles to plan events will find life simpler, now that the Full Moons are happening a few degrees before the Sun and Moon change signs. The Summer Solstice in the Northern Hemisphere (Winter Solstice Southern Hemisphere) brings us to a time of relative stability in the seasons. Enjoy the season!

The Almanac –May/June 2025

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

May 12, Full Moon at 27deg32 Libra/*Vishakha*

May 12, Mars enters *Ashlesha*

May 12, Venus enters *Revati*

May 14, Jupiter enters Gemini about 2:30pm EDT

May 14, Sun enters Taurus about 3:00 pm EDT

May 14, Mercury enters *Bharani*

May 16, Ketu in Virgo makes 1:5 aspect to Sun in Taurus at 01deg25

May 20, Saturn in Pisces makes 1:3 aspect to Sun in Taurus at 05deg23

May 21, Mercury enters *Krittika*

May 25, Sun enters *Rohini*

May 26, New Moon at 11deg52 Taurus/*Rohini*

May 26, Saturn in Pisces makes a 1:3 aspect to Mercury in Taurus at 05deg51.

May 28, Mercury enters *Rohini*

May 29, Rahu leaves Pisces and enters Aquarius (True Node)

May 29, Ketu leaves Virgo and enters Leo (True Node)

June 1, Venus enters Aries/*Ashwini*

June 3, Mercury enters *Mrgashira*

June 6, Mercury enters Gemini

June 6, Mars enters Leo/*Magha*

June 8, Sun enters *Mrgashira*

June 9, Mercury and Jupiter conjunct at 05deg35 Gemini/*Mrgashira*

June 11, Mercury enters *Ardra*

June 11, Full Moon at 26deg04 Scorpio/*Jyestha*

June 12, Venus enters *Bharani*

June 15, Sun enters Gemini

June 19, Mercury enters *Punarvasu*

June 20, Summer Solstice Northern Hemisphere (Winter Solstice Southern Hemisphere) about 10:42 pm EDT

June 20, Mars in Leo makes a 1:8 aspect to Saturn in Pisces at 07deg16

June 21 – Rahu in Aquarius makes a 1:5 aspect to Mercury in Gemini at 27deg47

June 22, Sun enters *Ardra*

June 23, Mercury enters Cancer

June 24, Jupiter enters *Ardra*

June 24, Sun conjunct Jupiter at 11:05 am, at 09deg32 Gemini/*Ardra*

June 25, New Moon at 09deg36 Gemini/*Ardra*

June 26, Venus enters *Krittika*

June 27, Mercury enters *Pushya*

June 27, Ketu in Leo makes a 1:5 aspect to Venus in Aries at 27deg14

June 29, Venus enters Taurus

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