

The Cosmo Natal Report for

Vincent Van Gogh

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Local Mean Time, Time Zone 0 hours West

Latitude: 51 N 28 Longitude: 4 E 40

Positions of Planets at Birth:

Sun	9 Ari	39	Pluto	0 Tau	46
Moon	20 Sag	44	N. Node	22 Gem	28
Mercury	25 Ari	36	Asc.	21 Can	09
Venus	28 Pis	03	MC	22 Pis	05
Mars	26 Pis	08	2nd cusp	6 Leo	57
Jupiter	24 Sag	16	3rd cusp	26 Leo	02
Saturn	15 Tau	57	5th cusp	29 Lib	41
Uranus	6 Tau	48	6th cusp	15 Sag	03
Neptune	12 Pis	13			

Chapter 1: How You Approach Life and How You Appear To Others

Cancer Rising:

You appear gentle and soft, and you act rather reserved with others until you know them well and feel it is safe to be open with them. You have a strong need for emotional security and a sense of belonging, and are deeply attached to the past: your heritage, roots, family, cherished friends, familiar places, etc. Making radical changes or moves away from what is known and safe can be very painful and difficult for you. You tend to cling and hold on to people, memories, possessions of personal or sentimental significance. Having a home, a safe haven, is very important to you.

You approach life emotionally and subjectively and are sensitive to the emotional atmosphere, the subtle undercurrents of feeling in and around you. Instinctive and nonrational, you are often unable to give a clear, simple explanation for your actions. Something FEELS right, or it doesn't.

Your emotions and personal loyalties tend to color your thoughts and opinions. You view life from a very personal perspective and often cannot mentally detach yourself from your own personal bias and prejudices. You are apt to be concerned primarily with how something affects you and those dear and close to you, rather than with the principle or the broader social implications. For instance, you may be very patriotic and feel that whatever "my country" does is right without really knowing much about the other nations' policies or point of view. Put simply: if it is good for me and mine, it is good. If it is not good for me and mine, it is no good.

You are tenaciously loyal, protective, and supportive of those you care about, and have a very strong nurturing, motherly nature (regardless of your gender). You empathize with others and intuitively sense the feelings and needs of other people. Compassionate and sympathetic, you are easily moved by others' pain, and you are often the one others seek out when they need comfort, reassurance, or help.

Your moods fluctuate and change frequently and you are sometimes open, sometimes withdrawn emotionally. You communicate nonverbally and appreciate a person who can pick up subtle cues and hints, rather than having to make everything explicit.

You never forget either kindness or unkindness shown to you.

Chapter 2: The Inner You: Your Real Motivation

Sun in Aries:

You are a person who thrives on challenge, and you often feel that you must battle your way through life, depending upon no one and nothing but your own strength, intelligence, and courage. You believe in being totally honest, true to oneself and one's own vision and convictions, even if that means standing alone. Honesty, integrity, personal honor, and authenticity are your gods, and you have no sympathy for weakness of character in others.

You crave the freedom to do things in your own way, and you work very well independently. Cooperating with others or carrying out another's will is not your style. You like to be the chief - or to go it alone.

You love action and if others are settling down into a nice, comfortable little rut, then you are always ready to stir things up, do something new, make changes, bring in some fresh blood. Routine and sameness are like death to you. You are not afraid of trying something that's never been done before, and even though you may be seen as a fool sometimes, you also discover, invent, and initiate things that others will later emulate. Taking risks and following your own star are the breath of life for you, and you wilt (or get very frustrated and angry) if you cannot do this.

You are spontaneous, impulsive, direct, enthusiastic, and assertive. You believe in the power of positive thinking and positive action, and you think of yourself as a strong person - even invincible. You hate being ill or in any way in a position of dependency. Accepting your own human limitations and emotional needs is often difficult for you.

You are basically aggressive in your attitudes and have less facility in the receptive arts of relating to others, picking up subtle messages and nuances, listening, nurturing, and harmonizing. Often you are so fired up about your own projects or goals that you inadvertently run over or ignore other people's feelings and interests. Being receptive and appreciative of others' contributions, ideas, and feelings would go a long way in improving your relationships. Your impatience to get on with things causes you to be rather insensitive, and to therefore alienate others unnecessarily. You also frequently try to accomplish your ends by using anger or some version of a temper tantrum. You would gain much by learning to slow down, relax, and just let things be sometimes, but your energetic, restless nature rarely allows you to do this.

Sun in 10th house:

Your career, reputation, and public image are very important to you. You have a strong desire to be influential or make your mark on the world. The merely personal sphere does not satisfy you; your ambitions include making a major contribution and receiving broad recognition for your unique effort and gifts. You may undervalue the personal or inner side of life.

Chapter 3: Mental Interests and Abilities

Mercury in Aries:

Outspoken and direct, you are always eager to express your ideas and opinions and don't mind opposing the consensus and stirring up a little controversy. You have fresh, original ideas and much enthusiasm for anything new and untried, but once the novelty has worn off, you are interested in another new idea or project. You never seem to have enough time to do all you want to. You are very honest, speak decisively and convincingly about things you believe in, and are unable to pretend to agree with someone if you honestly don't. You may be somewhat deficient in tact.

Mercury in 10th house:

You think a great deal about your career, your reputation and public image, and the way you make a contribution or impact on the world at large. Public speaking or communications of some other kind is likely to be an important aspect of the work you do.

Mercury Conjunct Pluto:

Suspicious that appearances are superficial and masking the "real nitty-gritty", you are always probing beneath the surface to uncover the deeper, hidden aspects of a matter. You are interested in anything secret or mysterious. You have great powers of concentration and a penetrating mind, with an aptitude for research, investigative reporting, or detective work. You are also keenly observant and

seem to have "x-ray vision" regarding the inner motivations and intentions of other people. You could make an excellent psychotherapist, uncovering the deeper causes and roots of a person's emotional problems. You may also be drawn to esoteric or occult studies and the development of unusual mental powers. Stories of mystery, intrigue, espionage, etc. fascinate you.

Mercury Trine Jupiter:

You have an ongoing interest in learning and expanding your mental horizons. You enjoy traveling, philosophical discussions, and exchanging ideas with those of different experiences and viewpoints. Broad-minded and fair, you are well-suited to law, consulting, diplomatic relations, and also business. You learn quickly, and can pick up on a new idea or concept with relative ease.

Moon Trine Mercury:

You would be an excellent teacher or counselor for you listen sympathetically, and encourage others to express their inner thoughts and feelings. People trust and confide in you, and you are able to read between the lines and to sense what their feelings are as well as what they are saying. You work well with and understand women, and the emotional, feminine side of life. You are articulate on personal (rather than factual or technical) subjects. Keeping a diary or journal would be satisfying for you. You also have a talent for learning languages.

Chapter 4: Emotions: Moods, Feelings, Romance

Moon in Sagittarius:

Open and generous, you enjoy a wide circle of friends and acquaintances and you thrive on sociability and fellowship. You are adventurous, playful, freedom-loving, and always ready for a good time. You rarely allow obstacles or difficulties to keep you down, for no matter how bleak the past or present, you always expect a better, brighter future. In fact, you are uncomfortable with your own or other people's problems and emotional pain. You often try to "cheer up" or offer philosophical advice to those who are hurting, but unwittingly you avoid or ignore the emotions involved.

Friendship means a great deal to you, perhaps even more than love or romance. For you to be happy, your mate must be your best friend and encourage your aspirations and ideals. You also need a great deal of emotional freedom and mobility.

Moon in 6th house:

You have a sympathetic nature and instinctively reach out to people in need of help. You also have a deeply ingrained tendency to want to improve or "fix" other people's lives, which can be annoying to the person who has no desire to be changed or "helped" in this way. For you, affection and caring must be expressed in tangible acts or service of some kind.

Moon Conjunct Jupiter:

You are tolerant and forgiving, always ready to overlook mistakes and give others a second chance. You expect the best from people and draw it out of them, and you enjoy making others comfortable and happy. Because of your emotional generosity, your life is rich with friends, and often financial blessings as well.

Venus in Pisces:

Tremendously softhearted and sympathetic, you give very selflessly and devotedly to those you love and often allow others to become overly dependent upon you. More compassionate than passionate, you may become romantically involved with someone because they need love and you want to help them, rather than out of mutual pleasure or attraction.

You are drawn to sensitive, imaginative, gentle souls - poets, musicians, dreamers - or to someone you feel you can have a deep spiritual relationship with. You idealize love and have a very beautiful, romantic vision of what love can be.

Venus in 10th house:

Promoting beauty, the arts, or entertainment can make you very happy. You want to contribute something positive and loving to the world at large and you want to be recognized for your beauty, artistic gifts, or loving generosity. You may "marry" your work - that is, be more involved in your career than in your private life. You are a natural hostess or diplomat.

Venus Conjunct Mars:

You are extremely amorous and it is difficult for you to go without a romantic involvement for very long. When you are attracted to someone, you pursue them very ardently and sometimes come on too strong. Doing creative work or artistic work can also satisfy the very strong desire for love and beauty that you feel.

Venus Square Jupiter:

You share freely whatever you have, and your friends know they can always count on your generosity and support, both emotional and material. Your good-hearted acceptance and tolerance of others' foibles goes a long way in maintaining harmony in your relationships. You also have a lazy streak and sometimes avoid confronting difficult issues in relationships simply because it seems like too much trouble and too petty. You like to socialize and will use any excuse to celebrate with friends. You cannot tolerate too much restriction by your love partner, and encourage your partner's freedom as well.

Chapter 5: Drive and Ambition: How You Achieve Your Goals

Mars in Pisces:

You are noncombative, noncompetitive, and something of a pacifist. You will give something up rather than fight for it. You may seem weak-willed or ineffectual, for you do not have a strong ego drive for personal achievement and material advantage, or for winning at the expense of someone else. Being first, being best, being on top doesn't mean much to you, and you can be quite happy in a supporting role, working for the benefit of others or for a cause that you believe in. You are gentle and impressionable and are motivated by less mundane and less tangible things than most other people. You may have difficulty formulating clear, definite goals for yourself and making your way in the world. You have many dreams, high ideals, and a strong mystical or religious impulse. You also have a creative imagination and can successfully apply yourself to art or music. You have a sensitive physique and need to maintain good regular health habits in order build strength and stamina.

Mars in 10th house:

You are likely to be known for your drive, energy, ambition, and competitive spirit. A successful career based on your ability to take initiative, be a leader, or excel in physical strength and prowess is

likely. You most definitely want to be a winner and will work hard to achieve that.

Mars Square Jupiter:

You are enterprising, ambitious, and have a strong desire to succeed in a big way. Ever on the look out for new opportunities and promising new ventures, you are willing to take risks if you sense that something is going to be a winner. No matter how much you accomplish, you never seem to be completely satisfied. You always feel you can do more, and set your sights on another goal. You feel frustrated in limited circumstances, and you will leave secure and reasonably successful situations if they do not offer challenges and potential for growth and expansion in the future. You like to keep stretching your limits, to see how far you can go. Sometimes you over-extend yourself or promise more than you can actually achieve, due to an overly optimistic or overly confident assessment of your own capacities. You relish healthy competition and feel that it spurs you on to even greater achievements.

Chapter 6: Other Influences

Jupiter in Sagittarius:

Your strength lies in your ability to see the whole, rather than only the parts which compose it. You have a deep need to explore the world and to develop your own philosophy of life and sense of personal meaning. You vacillate between being open-minded and tolerant of differing views, and being dogmatic or overly zealous about your own viewpoint.

Jupiter in 6th house:

You have a positive and constructive attitude toward work and what other people might consider drudgery. You enjoy helping people improve their lives, and the more service you render, the more benefits and rewards you find coming back to you. Promoting health in some manner is a very good avenue for you.

Saturn in Taurus:

You either overvalue or undervalue your possessions and assets. You can also go to extremes in dealing with bodily needs and desires, being either hedonistic or ascetic. You may deny yourself sensual pleasure and enjoyment of the fruits of your labors. You may also be stingy and unable to give freely. Many times you feel that you do not have "enough" to make you feel secure, regardless of how much (money, insurance, etc.) you have!

Saturn in 11th house:

You are generally not a "joiner" and do not feel comfortable in clubs, organizations or other groups of people that are centered around some common ideal or interest. If you do participate in a group, you may find the rules and procedures restrictive - or you may simply feel that you do not fit in with the others.

Being alone or with older, more experienced people suits you better than being with groups of your own peers.

Saturn Sextile Neptune:

You are able to do your work and take responsibility for overcoming your own problems and

challenges in life, while at the same time being open to spiritual comfort, aid and guidance. A good balance between being well-grounded and being receptive to spirit or the inner world is working in your favor. Enjoying simplicity and cultivating peace enable you to evolve and to work through your challenges.

Uranus in Taurus:

You are part of a 7 year group of people who are very progressive in business and practical matters, and implement scientific ideas in practical ways to make life more comfortable. Home appliances, for example, were improved and marketed by your age group to a much greater degree than was previously done.

Your age group is also rather sensual and romantic, and is uninhibited in expressing romantic feelings. Your age group rebelled against repressive attitudes towards sexuality, and promoted overt expression of sexuality in movies, music, etc.

Uranus in 11th house:

You have unusual, even eccentric friends, and you are likely to join groups, communities, organizations, or clubs which promote progressive or unconventional ideas, social change, or innovation in some form. You are dynamic and creative in business affairs and in organizations.

Uranus Conjunct Pluto:

You were also born during a period that lasted approximately 5 years and is characterized by extreme restlessness and an impatient, dynamic attitude towards life. You are part of a group of people who can be explosive and even violent in their reactions to situations. You do not tolerate being restricted, and your age group rebels with force and anger against oppressive situations.

Neptune in Pisces:

You are part of a 14 year group of people that are very intuitive, receptive, and imaginative. The arts and music are very important to your age group, and they flourish with your support, talent, and contributions. There is a rich and varied abundance of artistic and musical productivity from your age group.

All manner of religions and psychic investigations grow as well. There is a great interest in ultimate questions and answers and also in phenomena that do not seem to be explicable by scientific concepts. Mysticism is on the rise with your age group. The spiritual qualities of compassion and sacrifice are also highly valued and are more openly honored and respected than by other age groups. Spiritual and emotional sensitivity are so strong that there is a problem of escapism through alcohol and drugs, which is likely to increase during your generation.

Neptune in 9th house:

You love to dream, fantasize, and speculate. You are willing to entertain the most far fetched ideas and philosophies, since to you anything is possible.

Anything exotic, alien, or faraway holds a great attraction for you. You can have very otherworldly beliefs which are quite impractical and irrelevant to your everyday existence.

Pluto in Taurus:

You are part of a 30 year group of people who are highly motivated by practical concerns. There is a very strong psychological need to feel that there is a firm foundation and a solid basis for one's life.

There is an irresistible urge to make sure that the basics are taken care of and everything is built on a solid foundation. Consequently, your generation works hard to improve the economy, ensure adequate food supplies, maintain and build roads and buildings, increase productivity, and develop other facilities that are essential foundations for a healthy, thriving economy.

There is a strong tendency to measure the value of something by its utilitarian value. For example, in education and research the emphasis is on ideas of practical value and there is little support for more purely theoretical research.

Your generation is pragmatic and productive, and is driven by a need to build and DO things. This concern with practical affairs often becomes unbalanced, and a rampant materialism with little regard for humanitarian, ethical, and spiritual values often develops in your age group.

There is also a strong sensual craving in your age group, and a great deal of emphasis is placed on physically comfortable surroundings and good food. Romance is particularly important to your age group, and a great emphasis is also placed on the physical attractiveness of the opposite sex.

A small minority of members of your age group are likely to be uncomfortable with the practical and materialistic atmosphere of the times, and consequently become alienated and antagonistic towards the social norm.

Pluto in 11th house:

You may have a deep aversion to groups, associations, clubs, or organizations of any kind. Any such group you become involved in is likely to be either for intense personal growth, change, and healing, or centered around social change and revising society in some manner.