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ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST PROMINENT CHINESE ASTROLOGERS



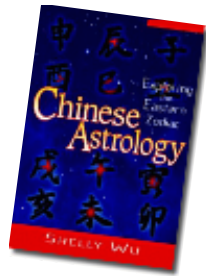
Like most of those born into a year of the defending Dog, Shelly spent a fair amount of her childhood fighting bullies - taking up the gauntlet for the picked-on and the friendless.

Shelly no longer scuffles with bullies, but her soapboxes still run high. She believes deeply that "In the perception of the smallest is the secret of clear vision; in the guarding of the weakest is the secret of all strength." (Lao Tze)

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# CHINESE

**THE CHARMING RAT**

sep	■■■■■	difficult
oct	■■■■■	excellent
nov	■■■■■	fair



The Rooster-ruled month of SEPT is an auspicious time to attend weddings, make offerings or ask for blessings. Avoid cruising (water and boats) or changing residence during this month. You may have listened to some bad advice which has thrown your domestic life into a tail-spin. Rest easy and know that Karmic forces are at work. It's a good month to be a quiet observer rather than an active participant. In OCT, relax and go with the flow. Rigid standards are counter-productive now. Let go of the perfectionism. Taking in a movie or play this month will be thought-provoking, and a poignant storyline lightens your mood and removes a burden from your heart. Take extra precautions and be prepared for some unpredictable surprises in NOV. A personal dilemma works out much quicker and more favourably than anticipated. Matters are felt primarily in the realm of emotion and spirit this month.

**THE STABLE OX**

sep	■■■■■	excellent
oct	■■■■■	fair
nov	■■■■■	good



A four-star month awaits even-tempered Oxen in SEPT. Your internal fortune could lead large projects, and both male and female Oxen are rising to positions of power at this time. During OCT, your luck takes a slight detour and Oxen may feel battle-weary from some sticky situations, possibly between two friends who can't agree. If forced to take sides between colleagues... Don't. Let both parties know that they must work matters out for themselves. A staggering phone bill or communications service could fall into your lap this month. Scrutinise items for accuracy. In NOV musicians, carpenters, seamstresses and typists are especially likely to stand out. Oxen with professions that require manual dexterity thrive; however, hold off on any ground breaking or remodeling this month. Business is good for entrepreneurs, but expenses could rise as you may need to replenish your inventory.

**THE COURAGEOUS TIGER**

sep	■■■■■	good
oct	■■■■■	difficult
nov	■■■■■	fair



SEPT is an active month, and gregarious Tigers shine brightly. You enter this month without a care for your own security and noble Tigers could expose themselves to risk, bravely championing an unpopular, yet humanitarian cause. Document everything this month and stick closely to the facts. Tigers love to take chances, and during OCT watch out for bumps and bruises. Lady Tigers could have an upsurge in sexual appetite this month, and find themselves daydreaming about naughty pleasures. In NOV, cut up those credit cards to avoid financial angst! If your spending has been volatile, you will do better to avoid extremes and impulsiveness. Playful Tigers love children and may experience a desire to teach or interact with younger persons this month. You create an atmosphere of love and indulgence combined with just the right amount of learning and manners. Travelling is a part of your schedule and business trips are beneficial to your finances.

**THE DISCREET RABBIT**

sep	■■■■■	fair
oct	■■■■■	difficult
nov	■■■■■	good



Peace-loving Rabbits are well rooted in SEPT and stay closer to home than usual. Your intuition correctly tells you that certain risks are not worth taking. You will avoid partnership conflicts by choosing security and domestic stability over detachment and novelty. Your reputation as a sensible and even-tempered business partner could bring an offer or two from out of the blue sometime in OCT. This is an extremely romantic month, peaking on the 28th when a reunion with an ex-flame could reignite with fiery passion. Rabbits may choose to pass-the-buck in NOV and shy away from certain responsibilities that they had no desire to assume in the first place. Avoid the urge to be too avoidant or bureaucratic. Male Rabbits consider commitment or a more solid relationship. This is a favourable month to do so. You now need to be loved and nurtured and your prized freedom seems to lose its appeal.

**THE OUTSPOKEN DRAGON**

sep	■■■■■	good
oct	■■■■■	fair
nov	■■■■■	fair



As the flashiest sign in the Chinese zodiac, Dragons attract quite a bit of attention in SEPT. A soulmate connection could materialise sometime during this Rooster-ruled month. Your natural aptitude for politics and grand public gestures mobilises you toward a career in the public eye now more than ever. If an RSVP is required, say yes! Being in the company of others brings both pleasure and satisfaction this month. High-level professionals conquer the most difficult of situations this month. Walk cautiously in the romance department during OCT, as a taste for variety could test your commitment. A friend or admirer may be trying to reach you and call while you are away. Dragons, like their Tiger friends, insist on winning and in NOV someone may accuse you of being bossy, loud, or showy. Restrain yourself from giving them something to compare it to. Things aren't moving fast enough for you now, but have patience for just a little while longer.

**THE PHILOSOPHICAL SNAKE**

sep	■■■■■	excellent
oct	■■■■■	good
nov	■■■■■	excellent



SEPT offers many opportunities and opens new and intriguing doors for deep-thinking Snake souls. You have an inclination toward abstract thought, and this month could find you drawn to the arcane or metaphysical sciences. This is a great month to start reading a new book or two. Being uncommonly physically attractive (even on a bad day) you may be pursued romantically by more than one person this month. A pleasure-loving Monkey could take your thoughts and humour soaring, not to mention on a carnal voyage awash with ecstasy. During OCT, sage Snakes are at the top of their game and are pillars of strength. Life and luck look brighter these days, and happy times are right around the corner. In NOV, you find yourself surrounded by many loving and supportive friends, both old and new. This month marks the end of a long dark tunnel you have been in. Spend as much time as you can with friends and family and look for outdoor activities.