Mars Signs Mars in the Birth Chart

What are Mars Signs?

While Venus Love Signs are in charge of romance, Mars Signs take charge of basic sexual attraction, tempered only by the astrological houses they are placed in. They will influence how sex is approached, from cool detachment to hot intensity and everything in between. Mars makes us assertive, forthright and adventurous. It can also make us impulsive, rash, impatient and forceful. Success or frustration... they can both be products of your Mars Sign®s influence.

Mars is energy, action and desire; the animal instinct. Unlike the Sun, which is the embodiment of creative energy, Mars is raw energy. It's divisive, scattering energy in an outward direction. It represents how a person goes after their goals, their drive and energy, their initiative, courage, and combativeness. It's aggressive and aids our survival. Angry? That is Mars coming through.

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Mars takes risks, even if they may cause divisions or feuds. Courage belongs to Mars, and Mars revels in lively competition. Associated with masculine energies, Mars is the life force, the chi. It fights to survive and rises to meet any challenges along the way.

On the negative side your Mars Sign can spell trouble. It can show areas where you may be argumentative, pick fights, and even get violent. When positive, your Mars Sign energizes the passions so you can meet your goals. This planet gives momentum and flow. Given a good outlet, Mars can accomplish anything. When stifled, Mars will boil under the surface until it finally breaks free as anger, temper tantrums or constant irritability.

Planet Mars

Mars is often described as passionate, determined, motivated, impulsive, angry, intense and ambitious. These attributes can come in every range of the spectrum, from mild to extremely intense. This is what fuels Mars to succeed, to put themselves first, and to achieve their goals. Mars drives a person to do almost everything, from getting up in the morning to getting that promotion to the person lost in the snowy mountains who finds the fortitude to find a way to civilization. Often attached to the ego, Mars is fairly straightforward and simple. It wants what it wants, and goes out to get it, end of story.

Retrograde symbol

Mars goes into retrograde for approximately 11 weeks every 25 months or so, and when this occurs in a chart, there can be problems. Instead of sending energy outwards to achieve their goals, Mars in retrograde must turn inwards to find their motivation. A good example of this phenomena is Sigmund Freud, the father of modern psychoanalysis. He was born with Mars retrograde in Libra. This lent passion to his lifelong study of his own and others' motivations and sexuality.

Aries Mars Sign

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Mars in Aries is impulsive. Their anger flares quickly but doesn't last too long. They don't hold grudges or resentment. When they pay attention to their gut, they make good decisions and get things done quickly. They don't usually pay attention to anyone else's input. They are spontaneous.

Mars in Aries is often ahead of everyone else. They get restless if life gets predictable. They like new, fresh ideas. Challenges are their cup of tea. They can be exciting in a relationship, but they move so fast it can be difficult to keep up. The tricky part with Aries Mars is to keep their enthusiasm going.

Aries Mars is irritated when people beat about the bush and those who are slow to act. They can be rude and impatient. They may work best on their own so no one holds them back. They don't like interference or opposition, despite their natural leadership qualities. They can be demanding emotionally. They are daring and courageous, and if there are obstacles in the way, they only become more resolved at reaching their goal.

On the negative side, Mars in Aries can lack discipline and patience. It may take them some hard knocks to learn self-control and humility. They can be openly aggressive, and may be accident prone. On the good side, you always know where you stand with Aries Mars. Bold and daring, they may leave you in the dust while you're still trying to figure out what is going on.

They are passionate in their goals, their life, and in love. They are not particularly affectionate and may be a bit selfish, but they are very energetic and playful. They are very physical, but can be impatient with their partner. They like to get right to the action instead of building up to the moment. They can be very emotional. Compromise is not their strong suit, and they can be very demanding in a relationship.

Mars in Aries loves competition and will revel in a fight, but as soon as it is over, it is forgotten and they are ready to move on to the next exciting thing on the agenda. They seek to do great things, but often do not take the time to prepare. They may do well in the military if they can keep their focus. They will give their all until they have no more to give. Fearless and brave, Mars in Aries rushes in where others fear to tread.

Aries Mars has a strong libido. They enjoy the chase, but if their quarry gives in too easily, they can lose interest. They like to take risks in relationships, like choosing a place they could get caught for making love. They also enjoy games. They are exuberant and playful, which can make them a lot of fun, and they definitely have no trouble letting you know what their needs are. Mars in Aries may not be overly sensitive to their partner. They really aren't into the sensuous; they prefer to get to the action. Long-term relationships may be a bit of a challenge.

Taurus Mars Sign

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Mars in Taurus is focused on their goals, no matter how long it takes. Easy going and calm, Taurus Mars can fly into a rage when they are provoked beyond their endurance. Usually, they are the picture of strength and stability. They like to feel secure financially and like to collect personal possessions. Taurus Mars is not afraid to work for what they want, and they have the focus and patience to get it.

Taurus Mars is good about not getting involved in more projects than they can handle. It is difficult to get them to change their mind once it is made up. Adaptability isn't their strong suit. Likewise, if you're in a rush, it won't matter to them. They don't feel the need to change their pace unless it is a true emergency.

Taurus Mars is very reliable and dependable. They are practical and have great endurance. They can be obstinate, which can be frustrating to everyone around them. This can be taken to a very immature level at times. They like to build things, cultivate an art or enjoy pleasures of the senses. They can get jealous, as they see their partner as belonging only to them. Possession is important to them.

Taurus Mars is passionate and grounded. They project an air of confidence. Their honesty gives them great integrity. They excel in anything that requires dedication and discipline.

In a relationship, Mars in Taurus is rather conventional and straightforward. They are emotionally stable and loyal to the end. They are into gratification, both their own and their partner's. They like their creature comforts, and bring that into their relationships. Physical relations are very important to Taurus Mars. They don't complicate things with fantasy, they just take their time. Foreplay was invented by Mars in Taurus. They can be very jealous if they imagine someone else is interested in their partner. They have a very difficult time if denied sex for any length of time... they see it as necessary as breathing or eating, which they also enjoy to the utmost. They need a partner who is willing to relax and enjoy.

Mars in Taurus prefers to go with the flow rather than fight the current. They are naturals at crafting high quality things, and they may make a good living from such endeavors.

Gemini Mars Sign

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Mars in Gemini can be unfocused. They easily get bored, so they need a frequent change of pace. When they are bored, they feel exhausted. If they are interested, on the other hand, there is no stopping them! They have a passion for words, and are quite adept at using them as a weapon. They are good debaters, and love to argue. They thrive in busy, energetic environments where everything is in a constant state of flux.

Mars in Gemini can be restless due to their overabundance of energy. They are adaptable, and love change. They may take on a great many projects at the same time. They are good with their hands, and may play a musical instrument, play video games or make things. If they can focus, they can accomplish many things. Mars in Gemini has a satirical wit, and sarcasm is a talent. They are a bit erratic, and are not known for their practicality.

They may make good journalists, critics, teachers, or writers. They have a critical, active mind, and they are inclined to go in many directions at once. They like intellectual competitions. Mars in Gemini is a great talker. They are always looking for new adventures and new forms of mental stimulation. They are very social, and prefer a lot of acquaintances to a deeper friendship. They are always open to new experiences, so they can add one more thing to their "been there, done that" list.

Mars in Gemini is imaginative and creative. They are never boring in a relationship. They consider their mind an erogenous zone, and one of the best ways to attract them is to mentally stimulate them. They like to try new things and be experimental. They may not always be faithful... it is too tempting to try something new. One night stands come easy to Gemini Mars. Sex is not full of meaning to them; it is just another fun activity. They are enthusiastic and curious about everything, so they'll try anything once, no matter how bizarre. Romantic relationships may be superficial, and they love to flirt. Because they get bored so easily, if one wants to keep Gemini Mars interested, you must be willing to be inventive and exciting. They get just as much pleasure out of mental stimulation as physical contact. Erotic literature and pillow talk is sure to get them interested. They may be a bit high strung and require a lot of attention.

Cancer Mars Sign

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Mars in Cancer can be passive-aggressive. They don't care for change or direct confrontations. They prefer to feel secure before they act on something. They would rather be well prepared. They are tenacious, and strong despite their appearance.

Indifference hurts them more than anything else. Mars in Cancer can be manipulative and argumentative. Emotional displays will occur if they feel threatened. They can be over-sensitive, but when they are confident, they are helpful, dependable and protective of those they love. They prefer peaceful solutions. They are not very assertive or demanding, and prefer to work on their own where they are in control. Cancer Mars may change direction or even their goals in order to pursue security. They are loyal and devoted.

Mars in Cancer is passionate and creative. They are in tune with their own wants and desires, and they are sensitive to the needs of those around them. They have a good memory, and they are dedicated enough to see things through to the end. They have a great imagination that serves them well when it is not imagining terrible scenarios that hurt their feelings of security.

They may be moody, but this is because their emotions are so intense. This intensity may affect their digestion or cause anger deep within them. They try to suppress it, only to suffer physically because of it. It can be difficult for Cancer Mars to be objective, and they tend to make decisions based on their mood at that moment, which they may regret later.

Mars in Cancer is very sensual. They want to find a partner they truly love. Sex and love must go hand in hand. They need a lot of romance and affection or they will feel neglected. They can be so overwhelmed with the emotions of the moment that they may actually cry... it is part of their release. They make every effort to please their partners, even though they are not very adventurous in this area. They are not very demanding lovers. Mars in Cancer is very traditional, although there are a few who need to sleep with many people in order to feel wanted and attractive.

The thought of conceiving a baby may be very attractive to Cancer Mars. They are not very vocal about their wants or needs, and expect their partner to figure out what they like. They are exceptionally loyal to their partner, and expect the same in return.

Leo Mars Sign

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Mars in Leo wants to be significant and create a lasting impression. They are passionate and strong-willed. They are willing to take risks and have ambitions to "be someone." They have a strong sense of authority and personal magnetism.

Mars in Leo is impatient with those who are disloyal or narrow minded. They are idealistic, and if they get humiliated, they are quick to defend their principles. They follow their heart. They take pride in everything they do because their ego gets involved with every situation.

Mars in Leo has a lot of physical energy, but they do fine intellectually and they are fairly practical. They are confident and self-sufficient. Their vitality is noticeable. They can be very dramatic, and they can be very successful performers. They are determined to succeed at whatever they strive for, and they make excellent leaders.

They may be overbearing with their own opinions. They can be domineering and stubborn. Pride can be their downfall. On the other hand, they are playful, have a good sense of humor, and are full of warmth. They want to leave a legacy through their actions. They are generous and romantic. Leo Mars is friendly and exuberant, if a bit impulsive.

In relationships, they are affectionate and demonstrative. They love the excitement of a new love affair. They like to be the center of attention in the bedroom as much as they like it in the other areas of their life. Mars in Leo is very dramatic, and they enjoy opulent surroundings. They are passionate and charming. They don't like competition in the bedroom or with past lovers. They are faithful, and expect to be treated the same way. While they do pay attention to their partner, their primary concern is their own enjoyment. They may be possessive or jealous, but they may try to hide this. Leo Mars is not above testing their partner. They may try to pull the wool over your eyes from time to time. They may come across too strong at times or get impatient, but they are open and direct.

Mars in Leo brings a lot of fun and romance to a relationship, and they appreciate a partner who reciprocates in kind. Their enthusiasm may be a bit overwhelming for some people. When their ego becomes involved in the relationship, it can disrupt an otherwise happy situation. They want to be happy and settled with someone they can have a fun, romantic relationship with.

Virgo Mars Sign

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Mars in Virgo has their eye on the goal. They are practical, if a bit scattered at times. This is only because they are doing so many things at once. Even so, they manage to get everything done. They may take on more than they can handle sometimes. They are usually logical and disciplined.

Mars in Virgo can be a bit critical and stubborn at times, but they are not usually aggressive. Be wary of pushing them too far, however, as they can be very difficult when annoyed. They can get nervous easily. They like to do things their way. They are usually very organized and they are not afraid to work hard. They have a nervous kind of energy, and they get restless easily. They don't like to stick to one project for too long.

They make successful careers in the health fields, mostly because they like to help others. They need to feel wanted and useful. Sometimes they can be intolerant and they don't like to get emotional.

Virgo Mars takes their energy from everything they do, whether that is their work, their hobbies or other things. They don't handle idleness well. They are born perfectionists, though they will deny it. They are somewhat shy and humble, but they want to learn and experience new things, so this often helps them overcome any shyness.

When it comes to relationships, Mars in Virgo is subtle. They only shine with their partner in private. They may find it difficult to relax and stop being critical. They need someone who is sensitive to their needs and fits their idea of cleanliness. They don't like one night stands or casual sex. They are often happy to remain chaste until they meet the right person.

While they have a healthy attitude towards sex, they can be a bit insecure. They generally like people who mostly go through life unnoticed. Virgo Mars will do lots of little things for their partner to make them feel appreciated and loved. They are respectful and attentive. Devoted, they will do all they can to please. They are very curious, though they may not do anything about it unless they are with the right partner. They are not as picky or selective as they are often portrayed. They may even prefer a partner who has imperfections so they can care and nurture them. All in all, Mars in Virgo can be a great partner for anyone who doesn't need high drama or emotional release in their relationship.

Libra Mars Sign

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Mars in Libra can be indecisive, but they do eventually get things done. They procrastinate usually because they are weighing all their options before coming to a decision. They tend to end up defending themselves and others who they feel are downtrodden. Instead of creating harmony, which is their goal, they may end up disrupting everyone in their efforts to attain balance.

Libra Mars is charming, and it is important to them to always appear that way. Because of this tendency, they may act passive-aggressive. Instead of being openly upset or mean, they may sneak about or rely on subterfuge to make their point. They can also take all that energy from Mars and turn it into action at times. They are gracious and entertaining, and will attract many people.

Libra Mars are very good at knowing when problems will occur. They are experts at compromise and conflict management. They follow the rules of social etiquette and have a desire to gain approval. They prefer intellectual pursuits. They are objective and somewhat unemotional. They don't like confrontations or battles. They can be manipulative to get what they want.

Mars in Libra needs motivation. They do best when paired with someone they adore. They are affectionate and romantic, but they have a rather low sex drive. While they can unlock the passions in others, they are fairly conservative themselves. Role-playing may intrigue them. They dislike rudeness and vulgarity, and will stay far away from potential partners that display such behavior. They are very subtle in their approach to sex. Romance is very important, as is lots of sensual contact. The environment is very important to set the mood. They can be very skilled at pleasing their partner.

Mars in Libra has a reputation for being unfaithful, but it stems from a difficulty saying no rather than a straying eye. They tend to expect their partner to read their minds about what they like. If they have an unspoken need not being met, they will hold their anger in and let it seethe while they wonder why their partner doesn't have a clue about what they want. They prefer to be showered with praise and affection and love being the center of attention.

They may be even choosier than Virgo. They may allow themselves to be pushed around for a time, but it will inevitably make them unhappy unless the relationship equals out.

Scorpio Mars Sign

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Mars in Scorpio loves a good challenge. Whatever they decide to do is done with every ounce of gusto they can muster. They have the ability to focus and have a strong willpower to accomplish anything.

They make formidable opponents, though they are quiet and subtle, not loud and brash. On the surface they are calm and collected. Below the surface they may be a seething pool of emotion. They don't let others see this side of them very often. Mars in Scorpio has the ability to exploit those around them because of their talents of seeing through the facade to what lies beneath.

Scorpio Mars likes to test themselves. You will find them creating all sorts of rules and goals so they can have the satisfaction of achieving them one by one. They can be provocative in a subtle, controlled manner. Those who have low self-esteem can become rather loathsome. They turn their self-hatred outward and manipulate others to feel better. Scorpio Mars knows that life isn't fair and accept it for what it is.

Mars in Scorpio harbors powerful desires and emotions. They have a very high energy level. They are strong, efficient, self-reliant and self-disciplined. They have a strong sense of purpose. They are slow to anger, but when they do, watch out. They get even in a calm, rather frightening manner. They are proud, strong-willed, and dignified. They are known for a long memory and they don't forgive when hurt. They may be fascinated with the occult, death and dangers.

They are very passionate and sensual. They are attractive to the opposite sex no matter what they look like physically. Their personal magnetism is powerful. Scorpio Mars is intense, and this can be too much for some people. Sex is an all-encompassing experience; it is intensely physical, emotional and erotic. They can be a bit obsessive, and may be attracted to the darker side of sex.

Mars in Scorpio equates sex with power. They are faithful to their partner. They can be very complex, and they need their partner to want to share the depth and intensity of the experience. They don't kiss and tell; they believe sex to be an intimate and personal issue. They give great emotional depth to their partners. They may focus on breaking sexual taboos, if their partner is up to it. Mars in Scorpio is a bit possessive of their partners. While they probably won't admit it, they don't like to share their partners with anyone, not even for social engagements or family obligations.

Sagittarius Mars Sign

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Mars in Sagittarius isn't known for patience. They are restless and adventurous. Physical activity is the best way for them to deal with anger. They always like to be busy, so they are constantly working on many projects all at once. They aren't known for their finished product, however. They get much more excited to begin something new rather than finish something old.

Mars in Sagittarius is lots of fun. They love to take part in friendly debates, though they can get carried away. They don't think their points through very thoroughly, but they may be upset if you don't agree with them. They consider themselves warm and caring, but they can often trample all over someone else's feelings when they get passionate about something.

It can be a bit difficult to keep up with Mars in Sagittarius. One moment they are easy going, joking and having fun; and the next they are intensely passionate about some topic or other. They like the wide open spaces, both figuratively and literally. They don't like to feel hemmed in. If things get serious or dull, they disappear. While they can get carried away on a moralistic point that will drive everyone around them crazy, they soon back off and just concentrate on having fun.

Sagittarius Mars is used to getting their own way, because they can be very persuasive. When they meet up with those who can make holes in their grandiose plans, they get frustrated. They take it very personally when others don't believe the same way they do. They are very enthusiastic, but not very practical. They rather like philosophy; it goes well with their idealism. They are confident and optimistic and take risks without thinking of the consequences. They have a short attention span, but they are friendly and outgoing.

Mars in Sagittarius is fun, but unfaithful. They are restless and want variety. They like the chase, but once the conquest is made, they lose interest. They also don't want to feel restrained by commitment. Sagittarius Mars will hang around for someone who can amuse them both intellectually and sexually. Until they find someone like that, they are likely to keep hopping from one bed to another. They are curious, and enjoy hearing about or watching the exploits of others. They may be a bit crude... they think it is fun. They also enjoy having their liaisons in unusual places. Like most things in their life, their love life is mere sport. Playing hard to get is a good way to lose their interest. Games are fine, as long as they aren't too cerebral.

Capricorn Mars Sign

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Mars in Capricorn is orderly and subdued. They like to be in control of their life. They are determined, but they keep everything low-key. They like to be on top of things in their life. They like to set their goals and focus on achieving them. They are not flamboyant, but they can be ambitious. They want to be secure, and they will do whatever it takes to succeed.

When Capricorn Mars is angry, it is a level-headed, cool type of anger. They have a strong sense of self-control that encompasses all areas of their life. They don't like to see anything go to waste. They are afraid of letting loose and getting out of control.

They are materialistic. If it can be seen or held, it is part of their world. Mars in Capricorn is very disciplined. They plan for the future. They set realistic goals. They are productive workers who like to see tangible results.

Capricorn Mars is responsible and reliable. They work hard and they keep their nose to the grindstone. They have a tendency to become workaholics. They want to attain status and recognition for their work. They are very practical and can turn a profit from almost anything they put their minds to. They do tend towards caution, which can be detrimental in some cases. They are also skeptical of new ideas. It is difficult for them to break old habits. They can be pessimistic and may come across as too serious.

Mars in Capricorn has a strong libido and appreciates sensual experiences. This is hidden behind their conservative face. It is hard to let this side show. Once they reveal the real person inside, you won't be disappointed. They don't rush, but take their time, enjoying the moment. Conventional and straightforward, they give quite a bit to their partner, although they expect quite a bit in return. They are not into experimenting with new techniques. They appreciate discretion. They want the security of a long-term relationship. If they are focused on their career, they have the capability of suppressing their sexual urges completely if needed so they are not distracted. They have a lot of endurance.

Aquarius Mars Sign

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Mars in Aquarius is a bit difficult to figure out. And they like it that way because they like to surprise others. They find conventional methods boring and look for new, innovational ways to accomplish their goals. They are original and unique.

Aquarius Mars is proud of their own independence. They wouldn't have it any other way. They can stand up for themselves quite well. While open-minded and progressive, they can be surprisingly stubborn. They don't like to feel trapped...it will make them rebellious. If they know you've found a pattern in their behavior, they are sure to change it!

Aquarius Mars has lots of ambition and energy, especially for mental and intellectual projects. They are a bit scattered, but pull it together to finish a project. At times, they appear utterly mad, but somewhere in there it all makes sense. They are good t getting what they want. They have a strong will that they are not afraid to show. Combined with their innate cleverness, they are very creative in getting their own way. They can be the dominant force in a relationship without their partner even realizing it!

Mars in Aquarius is willing to let others be themselves. They value freedom and individuality, both yours and theirs. They like to feel they have plenty of space and freedom. They are not very sentimental. They come across as detached, even in an intimate relationship. They like to run the show. They are well organized and can make a good leader. Mars in Aquarius is often the reformer; the one against the establishment. They are non-conformists, and demand compliance from those that follow you.

Mars in Aquarius is into anything new and unusual in their sex lives, too. What is exciting one day is totally boring the next. They like to experiment and have a creative imagination. They will try anything at least once...in fantasy if not in real life. Stimulating their mind works very well. They are in it more for the fun than for any real passion or affection. They may seem detached to their partners. They will be faithful unless they get bored. Aquarius Mars can drive their partner mad with their "don't care" attitude. Sex over the phone or computer is intriguing for them because it is all imagination. They crave variety and excitement.

Pisces Mars Sign

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Mars in Pisces is gentle and mild. They get to the point in a round-about fashion. They tend to go with the flow. They prefer to let life just happen to them. They need a way to express themselves creatively, or they can create quite a mess through indirect aggression.

Pisces Mars may play games to get what they want, even though they may not know what it is they really want. Their emotions are unpredictable and intense. They run on emotions, in fact. They do well intellectually, but they may have problems dealing with physical and practical challenges.

Mars in Pisces is attracted to the arts, and may be very talented. They have the introspection necessary to create, as well as a sensitivity to color, rhythm and tone. They are often restless inside, while appearing calm on the surface. They may appear to be shy or withdrawn. They are very sensitive to their environment.

Mars in Pisces is romantic, though their needs are more emotional than physical. They are very idealistic about love. Sex is more like a fantasy. Their sensitivity helps them be very responsive to their partner. They need a lot of affection. Without it, they feel sex is cold and emotionless. They need an emotional connection to their partner to be fulfilled. Even better, they are ecstatic when they also have a spiritual connection with their partner.

They are very sensuous, and without the intimacy of lots of touching and romance, they are left feeling unloved. Their imagination is terrific, and they can indulge in a lot of romantic fantasies before they even go out with someone. They are willing to please, but they are not aggressive. They always play it passively. They can appear to be detached or spaced out. They like lots of details when they fantasize, creating intricate storylines and sidelines. They are attracted to those who need their care and compassion.