

Mars in Sagittarius

The sign that Mars occupies shows the language you speak to experience and express anger, and also to define and express your “little s” self. The element of the sign is the dominant language and gives specific guidance about how and why you take action. The sign itself is a dialect of that language and provides additional, more specific information about what you desire, why you take action, and how you encounter anger.

JOURNAL QUESTIONS & INSTRUCTIONS

Read the descriptions below, and then go back and revisit each of the earlier journal questions. Review your answers, and then expand on them, incorporating the new information about the language you speak. Focus on how and why you express Mars.

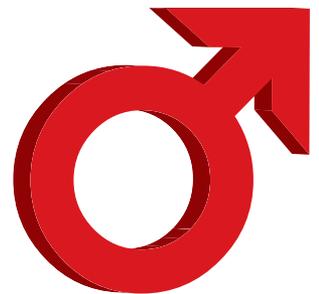
Mars in Fire Signs

With Mars in a Fire sign, you connect with your ego and your “little s” self on the spiritual plane. You are inspired to reveal your conscious truth. Your personal identity is based on a collection of external, conscious ideas that are also subjective and personal. You are aware of how you appear, and how others view you—specifically based on your actions and self-expression—and you form associative connections to create an inner context of your personality.

Your desires are immediate and of the moment. You first notice the external, expressive appearance of something, and then you make subjective, associative, personal connections to it, which results in the desire to obtain, acquire, or embody that experience. You care about the truth of the experience, but because you mainly recognize the external qualities, when you get what you want, you may be disappointed when the external appearance doesn't represent the essence.

Your anger is subjective, personal, and associative, and based on abstract, external appearances and thoughts. This can make your anger quite volatile because the personal associations allow it to jump from one idea to another, spreading like wildfire. The external, expressive qualities of the language of Fire mean that you will need to vent your anger, directing it at the outside world, even though the true cause of your anger is within you.

MARS



**The
WARRIOR**

SAGITTARIUS



**MUTABLE
FIRE**

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Mars in Sagittarius takes action in order to discover truth. He uses his sword to cut away everything that is unnecessary, leaving only the core essence. He has no patience for lies or deception of any kind. Once Mars in Sagittarius believes that he has discovered the truth, he will take immediate action. When attacking or defending, he only has one weapon: the truth. Like all swords, the truth cuts both ways. If Mars' truth comes from a more expanded context and represents more power than that of his opponent, he will prevail. If, however, his truth is flawed and lacking in integrity, the sword will shatter. Pride is the most dangerous trap for Mars in Sagittarius. At this level of consciousness, Mars becomes attached to his truth, caring more about his personal point of view than he does for the level of truth that it represents.

When you are in Right Relationship with Mars in Sagittarius, you take action based on what you believe to be true. You recognize that your understanding of the truth depends on the context, and therefore you are open to new information that may shift your understanding and inspire you to take a different action. Because you are anchored in the Present Moment, you are able to be flexible. You recognize that the Ultimate truth is infinite, eternal, and impossible to comprehend from your limited perspective. The best you can hope is to view it from as many different points of view as possible, creating an ever-expanding context. In every situation, your actions are always appropriate and correct, based on your current understanding of the truth. As you are presented with new information, your understanding of the truth will shift, and in this expanded context, your current choices may no longer be appropriate. You adjust your course without a trace of shame or guilt. Freedom is critically important to you. Freedom both allows you to follow your path and to alter your course. You are free to change your mind without invalidating your previous choices or beliefs. What other people believe is none of your business. What matters is that you express, explore and discover your personal experience of truth.

When you are out of alignment with Mars in Sagittarius, your quest for truth becomes a crusade to prove that your beliefs are right, and those who do not share your beliefs are wrong. Because you have lost your connection with your "Big S" Self, you rely on your "little s" self for guidance. The "little s" self, however, is incapable of telling the difference between truth and falsehood. You believe that there can only be one truth. Because your "little r" reality is filled with conflicting ideas about what that one truth is, you live in fear that you might not choose correctly. You are trapped at the level of pride, believing that your truth must be the only truth, because it's yours. You become rigid and inflexible as you defend the validity of your beliefs. Avoiding the pain and humiliation of being wrong becomes more important than discovering and expressing truth. You are driven to proselytize and indoctrinate others into your philosophy, because the more people who agree with you, the less chance there is that you can be proven wrong. You become blinded by rhetoric and dogma, unable to appreciate the irony that your actions are the polar opposite of the principles you claim to value. It is not possible to wage war to create peace.