INTRODUCTION

"Any glimpse into the life of an animal quickens our own and makes it so much the larger and better in every way".
John Muir

Astrology reveals the effect of the planets, stars and orbital objects on life on earth. Most of us are familiar with the form of astrology that reveals human fate and foibles, but what of other life on earth? Since time immemorial astrologers have also been predicting big world events via the stars but can the same principles also be applied to the smaller, but nevertheless vital creatures that live on our earth? The answer is, of course, yes!

Animals and birds, and in particular domesticated animals and birds or pets, play an important role in many people’s lives. Understanding a little about your pets’ personalities can help you as owners (although some would argue that their pets ‘own’ them) become better able to nurture your pets.

The purpose of this report is to help you, in a general manner, gain some insights into the nature of your pet. Much is written and screened about the sacrifices made by the animal kingdom. This is a fun, and yet somewhat serious method of helping us to redress the balance.

Arguably cats and dogs are the most common pets in most modern-day households. They certainly get the most attention. You have only to think of animals and famous television and film dogs such as Lassie, Benji and Rin Tin Tin spring to mind. Equally cats feature largely on the silver screen (and in fact have an entire Andrew Lloyd Webber musical dedicated to them). Nevertheless there is a wide range of other animals who also dominate the pet world – horses, rabbits, ferrets, hamsters, mice, pigs, guinea pigs, fish, birds, and even snakes to name a few. They all have their unique way of helping us to be better people, principally because they bypass our minds and tough exteriors and appeal directly to our heart strings. Therefore these principles can be applied to most pets. Those of you who have formed a close bond with your beloved pet will know that they have unique personalities whether they are little or big critters.
Ideally each of you would have recorded the exact time, place and date of your pet’s birth. This would provide the most accurate of records. However, it is more likely that you know at best the date and place of birth, or perhaps at a stretch the closest day. As such this report has been based mainly on Sun Sign astrology. This is not the most accurate form of astrology but does provide a good starting point and some key tips.

If you would like to know more then you may be interested in consulting a professional astrologer.
"Animals are reliable, many full of love, true in their affections, predictable in their actions, grateful and loyal. Difficult standards for people to live up to". - Alfred A. Montapert

**The Sun is in Capricorn**

Dolly has been born under one of the most reclusive signs of the Zodiac. Hence she is likely to have a quiet demeanour, and be more inclined to enjoy her own company. Dolly may also prefer indoor activities, depending on her species. Therefore your Capricorn pet is best suited as a one owner companion, perhaps even a single person or an older person who has a quiet lifestyle and very few social activities. Dolly is born under the influence of arguably the least sociable signs of the Zodiac. Nevertheless Dolly is also likely to be a very loyal companion, quietly devoted to the right owner. Dolly is aloof, a loner, and prefers a simple and uncomplicated life. The Capricorn dog does not need to be trained, innately knowing how to behave from a young age and responding positively to one owner whom she respects. Likewise a Capricornian cat will behave impeccably unless her autonomy is threatened by animal or human interference. Respect is a key factor in your pet's personality. Dolly is steadfastly loyal to the right person, but can be downright snappish and snarlish when in the wrong company. If ever an animal could discern a fool or a scoundrel then your's can! You can trust your Capricorn pet's instincts to guide and protect you. Dolly is a regular old faithful.

**The Sun is Conjunct Jupiter**

In astrology the outer planets are considered highly influential when they draw close to the personal points in a birth chart. Here the positive planet Jupiter is affecting your pet's personality. If Dolly is born with a sunny and extroverted personality then this larger than life planet will emphasize these traits. Hence Dolly is likely to be more bouncy, playful and attention seeking than her counterparts. If you enjoy these qualities then you will delight in your pet's exuberance. If your pet has been born under the influence of a more introverted Zodiac Sign then you are likely to notice the difference between her and other members of her species. For instance your Earth Sign pet may
not be as stodgy and quiet as her cohorts. Alternatively she may be twice as stubborn. This planet works to magnify traits, showing your pet in her best light most of the time, but not always. Generally speaking others are likely to fall for her charms as well. This is the dog whose friends and family members shower with gifts and attention. Strangers may also find it hard to resist Dolly's natural charisma. If you want to compete in the show arena, on the race course or in any competition, then Dolly is likely to turn heads and win prizes. Afterall the planet Jupiter is associated with the company of Kings and other worldly rewards.
LIFESTYLE

"Most pets display so many humanlike traits and emotions it's easy to forget they're not gifted with the English language and then get snubbed when we talk to them and they don't say anything back."
- Stephenie Geist

The Sun is in Capricorn

A Capricorn pet prefers a settled lifestyle, one of peace rather than excitement. Unlike her fiery counterparts this pet likes a clean, calm existence. If you have a busy lifestyle then you should perhaps consider a pet born under the influence of a different star sign or find a quiet corner for your pet. Changing circumstances are likely to upset Dolly. You will know if your lifestyle is causing problems because it will show in Dolly's coat. A calm animal with a healthy coat proves that your lifestyle suits your Capricorn pet. As your Dolly is somewhat aloof she is not a natural nurturer. A male Capricorn animal or bird may be bred for reasons of quality breeding, but you should consider carefully before enabling the female of the species to have a brood. Dolly is better suited to a lifestyle of a loner, with an owner or handler who understands and appreciates her steadfast and quirky qualities.
HEALTH AND DIET

"The kind man feeds his beast before sitting down to dinner."
- "Hebrew Prophet

The Sun is in Capricorn

Routine is the key to a healthy Capricorn pet. This means a feeding and exercise regime that goes by the clock. If you are late then you can be sure that your pet is waiting at the exact minute. Dolly may appear outwardly calm but your pet is inwardly tense if you are late. Her well being depends on you providing a calm and stable living environment. Erratic moods and commands are likely to make Dolly nervous. She does not respond well to spontaneous decisions, outings etc.... Rather it cannot be stressed enough that your pet likes regular exercise, feeding times and household routines. If you have a household full of pets then you must create a separate space for Dolly. In particular she needs a separate eating space. Dolly is protective of her territory and could be grumpy, snappish and perhaps even aggressive if her boundaries are not respected. Grooming also plays an important part of Dolly's health and well being. A feline Capricorn may spend many hours self-grooming and your bird may also be meticulous, but other animals need your input. Therefore you need to set aside time each day to ensure that your pet is neat and clean. In some cases Dolly may be a fussy eater. Nothing but the best for Dolly. If your pet has a weak point then it is like to be in her skin or structurally in her knees. The good news is that Dolly is a steadfast companion to anyone who provides quality care.
"Lots of people talk to animals.... Not very many listen, though.... That's the problem."
- "Benjamin Hoff, The Tao of Pooh

Mercury is in Capricorn

The planet Mercury is never very far from the Sun. Therefore if you know the day on which your pet was born then it is likely that you also know the Zodiac Sign for the Messenger of the Gods. On reading this section on training you will soon know whether or not you have the correct Zodiac Sign for the planet Mercury by the traits depicted. If so you will pick up some handy hints on how your pet learns, and how to communicate with your pet. In this case Dolly’s Mercury may be in the Sign of Capricorn indicating that Dolly has an innate sense of discipline and should, therefore, be easy to train. This does depend on other Astrological influences. Nevertheless your pet is well suited to a practical training regime. She prefers a routine and responds best to a regular training schedule, and consistency. Erratic moods and commands are likely to make Dolly nervous. She does not respond well to spontaneous decisions, outings etc.... Rather your pet likes regular exercise, feeding times and household routines. You should always feed Dolly in the same place out of her familiar eating bowls or receptacles. Dolly is comforted by familiarity. Given Dolly’s propensity for self-discipline, you may like to consider formal education. For instance a canine Capricorn makes a very good candidate for the Armed Forces or as a Guide Dog for the visually impaired. Horses may excel at equestrian events such as Dressage. Birds may be trained for work and so forth.
"We can judge the heart of a man by his treatment of animals."
- Immanuel Kant

Venus is in Sagittarius

The planet Venus is never very far from the Sun in the Zodiac. Therefore if you know the day on which your pet was born then it is likely that you also know the Zodiac Sign for the planet of relationships. On reading this section on how your pet relates you will soon know whether or not you have the correct Zodiac Sign for the planet Venus by the traits depicted. If so you will pick up some handy hints on what your pet needs from you as an owner. In this case Dolly has the planet Venus in the Zodiac Sign of Sagittarius indicating that she requires an active and benevolent owner, who can provide plenty of freedom and wide open spaces. Dogs, cat, horses and other such animals will enjoy such pleasures, but even caged Sagittarian pets appreciate bigger enclosures with a variety of toys, gadgets or activities. If you are an indoors person who prefers a quiet lifestyle, and no fuss, then you should not own an exuberant Archer pup, kit or cub. On the other hand you may be able to provide a large, adventure park cage for a smaller critter or bird and enjoy the benefits of your enchanting Sagittarian pet. The key factor is that Dolly's owner needs to be easygoing and active, rather than a quiet homebody. For this reason, owners with strong Virgo, Taurus, Capricorn, Scorpio, Cancerian and Piscean influences are unlikely to be compatible with the needs of the Dolly. However, Dolly is likely to flourish under the influence of the Masculine Zodiac Signs of Gemini, Libra, Aquarius, Aries, Leo and Sagittarius.
“No animal should ever jump up on the dining-room furniture unless absolutely certain that he can hold his own in the conversation.”
- Fran Lebowitz

**Mars is in Gemini**

Temperament is described in the dictionary as the combination of mental, physical, and emotional traits; natural predisposition. In an animal the temperament is the general attitude displayed toward people and other animals. Experts say that it is a combination of inherited and acquired traits. These influence the animal's behaviour. They say that while much of an animal's temperament is inherited it is also influenced by the animal's environment, including the actions of the owner. Therefore an understanding of your pet's basic nature can help you shape your animal's behaviour. For instance you can help influence dominant tendencies in your young pet so that he or she matures into a friendly, confident adult, rather than a bossy pet who dominates other animals, or an animal that uses aggression to get his or her way with humans and other dogs. Some trainers, breeders and animal shelters use temperament testing to determine whether or not an animal is suited for certain roles such as a family pet, or a guide dog for the blind, or police dogs. This section of the report is aimed at giving hints on your animal's temperament and it is suggested that you consult an expert if you would like further information.

Your pet has a natural disposition to be inquisitive. Dolly is likely to create havoc if bored, and also to be a great escape artist if confined. Your pet is a regular Houdini. This is because Dolly needs stimulation. Boredom is to be avoided at all costs if you want to ensure that your pet has an even temperament. A dog with this influence may be prone to chewing anything in sight if bored. Activity is to be encouraged. Changes of scenery are beneficial. Toys are likely to be a delight. Dolly is also likely to be social, keen to interact with other animals, people and his or her immediate environment. Your challenge is likely to be providing enough stimuli to keep your very active pet out of trouble. Dolly is unlikely to be overly aggressive, but could be snappish if pushed to his or her limits. A healthy lifestyle balance helps avoid any problems.
"Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened."
- Anatole France

It is hard to sum up in words the importance of the role that animals play in life, let alone those who become entwined in our daily lives. In the recent scientists have proven, what many have known for centuries that some species of animals possess intelligence. However, it is the emotional intelligence that speaks volumes to us humans. Indeed as Anatole France says in the quotation above, animals are indeed a gift from some unknown source, a source meaning to awaken the very best in human nature. Creatures great and small tug at our heart strings and teach us invaluable lessons. This report is intended to help repay the favour and in a small way help us understand how to best nurture and sustain our animal counterparts. No matter what species of animal you have drawn into your life, this report may give you a better understanding of his or her nature. Through understanding comes tolerance, care and love.
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This report is meant more of an introduction to the wonders of astrology rather than a complete course in its intricacies. Further studies, or a consultation with a professional astrologer, are encouraged to explore this most ancient scientific and philosophic tool.

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## The Birth Chart

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