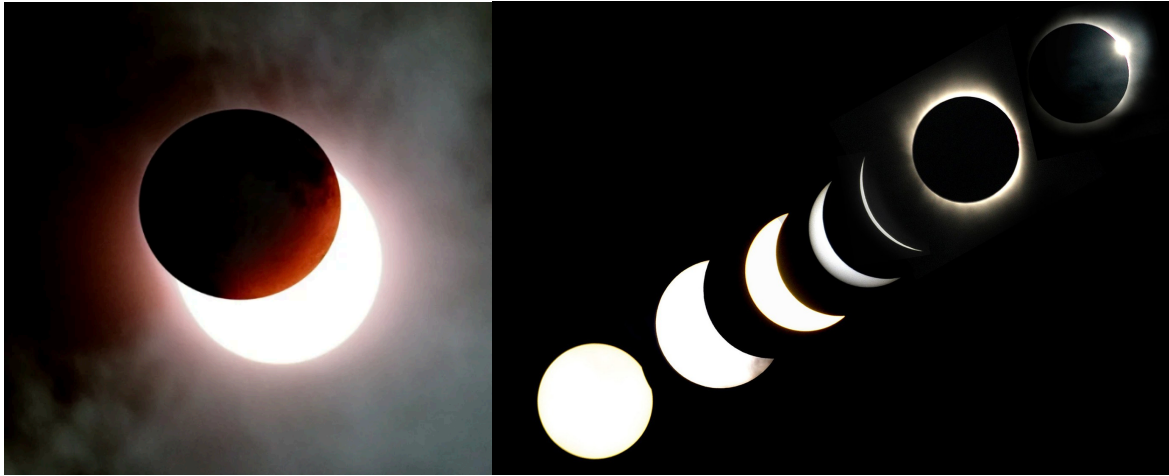


Quest Path + Eclipses in Spring 2022



The **physical moon** reflects the light of the sun and the shadow of the earth.

The **symbolic moon** reflects a deeper emotional, intuitive and energetic energy that ebbs and flows, meeting each of us like the tides.

As the Moon moves across the night sky, her arc shifts with the seasons, offering a way to see and honor ones own awareness, energy and life path.

The moon is a mirror.

Each of her faces, or phases of the moon month, holds specific information.

Each phase is about three days, with the phase entering into expression, fully expressed and then once again shifting into new expression.

Notice how the reflective surface of your life is always catching light. You, like the moon, are always in the experience of expression and change.

Each month we depend on the moon's consistent cycle.

The velvety darkness of the New Moon and the vivid illumination of the Full Moon, influence our lives...as the tides are pushed and pulled by her gravitational energies. All of La Luna's phases between the Dark and the Full, reflect different phases of our own awareness, as we work with our own light and darkness. Every so often the Moon's orbit creates a powerful alignment with the sun, forming a potent lunation known as an Eclipse.

What is an eclipse, astrologically speaking?

Eclipses are dynamic cosmic occurrences that activate the **lunar nodes**. Simply put, the moon glides across an elliptical that is constantly rotating around the zodiac. The highest and lowest points of this orbit correspond with

the lunar nodes, which appear in our birth charts as south and north nodes. The south and north nodes, often referred to as the Nodes of Fate, symbolize our past (South) and future (North) — our karmic pathway. Accordingly, eclipses activate these nodes within our birth charts, illuminating our destiny.

*For more about Nodes I recommend exploring Jan Spiller's book: Astrology for the Soul or New Moon Astrology

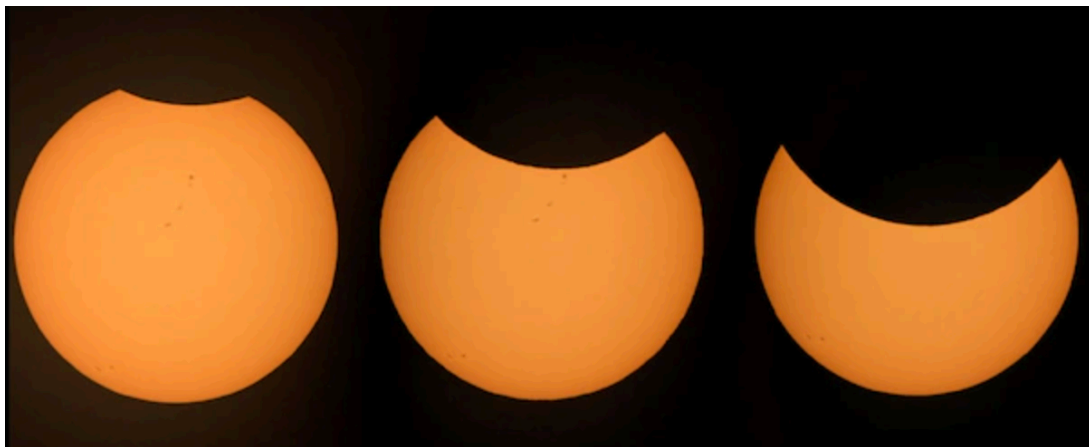
Although eclipses are major events, they're actually not that rare. There are between three and seven eclipses a year and they often occur in clusters.

2022 brings a series of eclipses starting with a partial solar eclipse in Taurus - this cluster is a continuation of November 2021 Eclipse cluster. These eclipse events tend to spur stunning shifts and major course changes that can promote growth.

What is the difference between a solar and a lunar eclipse?

There are two types of eclipses: solar and lunar. Solar eclipses occur during the new moon phase when the sun and moon are positioned at the exact same degree within the same zodiac sign. In this configuration, the moon passes between the sun and earth, temporarily obscuring the sun. If this occurs during daylight the result is breathtaking: For several moments, the sun is completely obscured by moon's silhouette.

Lunar eclipses, on the other hand, correspond with the full moon phase. But, unlike a normal full moon that reflects the sun's illumination, during a lunar eclipse the moon emanates the Earth's shadow (known as the *umbra*). With Earth perfectly wedged between the sun and moon, the moon exudes a tawny-red tone, this distinctive hue is why it is often referred to as a "Blood Moon."



What are the dates of all the eclipses in this 2022 Spring season?

Eclipses will occur the following dates this year:

- **April 30:** Partial Solar Eclipse in Taurus [New Moon]
- **May 15:** Total Lunar Eclipse in Taurus [Blood Moon/Full Moon]

What kinds of energetic shifts do eclipses signify?

These dynamic phenomena were feared by our ancient ancestors. But astrologically speaking, eclipses are a big deal. Just as new moons are linked to beginnings and full moons are tied to culminations, **eclipses serve as celestial checkpoints**. An eclipse is a high-octane lunation that helps illuminate our mythic/karmic path, but just as these cosmic events can be visually striking, eclipses can also be *a bit* dramatic. Astrologically speaking, they speed up time: They open new doors by slamming others shut, so we often find abrupt and sudden shifts occurring during eclipses. Though the shifts can be jarring, they can help us by speeding up the inevitable.

So, if you've been dragging your feet, an eclipse will be sure to give you that extra energy, or insight needed to take action. While the results can be abrupt or amplified, remember that these lunations simply expedite, illuminate and reveal what has been hiding. They impact us some of the time, and may be felt early as major shifts occur for you, aligned with your birth chart and astro/energy consider how this offers new layers of information in the mythic realm!

Everything is cyclical: A culmination always occurs on the edge of a beginning.

Solar eclipses correspond with new beginnings and unexpected opportunities. However, since the sun (which symbolizes our external experience) is obscured by the moon (representing our emotional inner-world during this lunation, solar eclipse events often first begin internally. For many people, solar eclipses are when we realize we need more than what we're currently receiving. They're a time to send cosmic invitations to the universe and to welcome abundance.

Lunar eclipses, on the other hand, help us realize the external implications of these shifts. It is often during a lunar eclipse that we become aware of the influence of others. As the moon emits a mystifying umber tone, it allows us to see people under a different light. This shift in perspective is critical, even though you may not always like what you see. During lunar eclipses, we are encouraged to let go of whatever is no longer serving the soul. This is the time to release, purge, and say goodbye.