

horoscope

ARIES: (Mar. 21–Apr. 19)

This week, your connections open doors for emotional and creative growth. Sunday, the Aquarius moon lights up your eleventh house, aligning with Neptune and Pluto—dreams shared with your community may hold power or healing potential. Monday, the moon activates conversations and insights around friendship, collaboration, and long-term vision. Jupiter in Gemini supports healing through open dialogue. Tuesday, the sun in your income zone supports practical steps toward financial security, while the moon squares it—balance money goals with group priorities. Wednesday, the moon in Pisces activates your twelfth house—rest and dream work offer intuitive breakthroughs.

TAURUS: (Apr. 20–May 20)

Taurus, this week, your career and leadership path call for bold yet grounded moves. Sunday, the Aquarius moon in your tenth house aligns with Neptune and Pluto—your public image or mission may benefit from a visionary upgrade. Monday, communication about your work or status may challenge your comfort zone. Jupiter supports healing confidence around self-worth and leadership. Tuesday, the sun in your sign harmonizes with Saturn, helping you lay strong foundations for your goals. Wednesday, the Pisces moon supports networking—follow your instincts in group settings.

GEMINI: (May 21–Jun. 21)

Gemini, this week, your inner world is stirring with new clarity and vision. Sunday, the Aquarius moon in your ninth house sextiles Neptune and meets Pluto—travel, learning, or spirituality may trigger a powerful mindset shift. Jupiter in your sign sextiles Chiron—your wisdom helps others heal. Monday, the moon squares your ruler Mercury in your twelfth—beware of overthinking or hidden anxieties. Support from Jupiter and Chiron provides breakthroughs. Tuesday, the sun in Taurus sextiles Saturn—behind-the-scenes work or solitude brings structure to your career goals. The moon squares the sun—rest if you feel drained. Wednesday, the Pisces moon supports a genius idea in your professional zone.

CANCER: (Jun. 22–Jul. 22)

Cancer, this week, focus on your professional growth and your value in the world. Sunday, the Aquarius moon in your eighth house stirs deep healing and transformation as it aligns with Neptune and Pluto. Jupiter's sextile to Chiron highlights mentorship and career shifts. Monday, the moon squares Mercury—keep financial talks clear. Healing and abundance are possible as the moon supports Jupiter and Chiron. Tuesday, the Taurus sun harmonizes with Saturn in Pisces—your network or belief system may guide a strategic next move. The moon squares the sun—don't push if you feel blocked. Wednesday, the Pisces moon brings inspiration through a mentor, teacher, or higher calling.

LEO: (Jul. 23–Aug. 22)

Leo, this week, your purpose and passion align in powerful ways. Sunday, the Aquarius moon highlights your seventh house of partnerships, bringing deep conversations or connections as it aligns with Neptune and Pluto. Jupiter's sextile to Chiron helps bridge belief gaps in relationships. Monday, mixed messages may arise as the moon squares Mercury in your career sector—avoid reacting too quickly. Jupiter and Chiron support compromise and understanding. Tuesday, the Taurus sun grounds your ambitions with Saturn's support—clarity arrives around legacy goals. Emotional energy may run high, so balance logic and intuition. Wednesday, the Pisces moon inspires deep trust—an intimate conversation could shift your bond.

VIRGO: (Aug. 23–Sept. 22)

Virgo, this week, your systems get an intuitive upgrade. Sunday, the Aquarius moon activates your sixth house, spotlighting routines, work, and wellness. Powerful Pluto and Neptune aspects bring insight into your habits and purpose. Jupiter sextile Chiron supports financial or emotional healing. Monday, tension may arise at work as the moon squares your ruler, Mercury—but inspiration flows through support from Jupiter and Chiron. Tuesday, the Taurus sun and Saturn align to help you lock in plans around travel, education, or long-term commitments. Emotional energy may feel scattered—pace yourself.

Wednesday, the Pisces moon invites connection—relationship clarity arrives through synchronicity.

LIBRA: (Sept. 23–Oct. 23)

Libra, this week, creativity and connection lead your evolution. Sunday, the Aquarius moon energizes your fifth house, aligning with Neptune and Pluto—your artistry, romance, or joy brings soul-level transformation. Jupiter sextiles Chiron in your partnership sector—love becomes a healing force. Monday, the moon squares Mercury—guard against mixed signals in intimacy or shared finances. However, harmony is possible through emotional transparency. Tuesday, the Taurus sun and Saturn provide grounded insight around boundaries, wellness, or long-term commitments. Wednesday, the Pisces moon refreshes your spirit—focus on daily flow and healing.

SCORPIO: (Oct. 24–Nov. 21)

Scorpio, this week, your foundation and focus are transforming. Sunday, the Aquarius moon in your fourth house touches Pluto and Neptune—family patterns, home matters, or emotional foundations shift in powerful ways. Jupiter's sextile to Chiron helps you heal health or routine-based struggles. Monday, the moon squares Mercury—be clear when communicating needs at home or in partnerships. Tuesday, the Taurus sun and Saturn align—committed love or creative structure can take shape now. Don't ignore inner resistance; it holds wisdom. Wednesday, the Pisces moon fuels your romantic and creative expression—follow inspiration and lean into joy and pleasure.

SAGITTARIUS: (Nov. 22–Dec. 21)

Sagittarius, this week, your voice holds power—use it with purpose. Sunday, the Aquarius moon activates your third house—communication, mindset, or sibling dynamics transform under Pluto's gaze. Your planetary ruler, Jupiter, supports healing words and brave messages. Monday, avoid over explaining as the moon squares Mercury—clarity comes through simplicity. Tuesday, the Taurus sun and Saturn offer solid grounding—create healthy work or life routines. Let structure bring freedom and clarity. Wednesday, the Pisces moon brings softness to your home life. Lean into emotional restoration.

CAPRICORN: (Dec. 22–Jan. 19)

Capricorn, this week, stability meets imagination in your personal world. Sunday, the Aquarius moon in your second house connects with Neptune and Pluto—finances, self-worth, or your voice undergo deep revision. Jupiter's sextile helps you heal through daily rituals. Monday, the moon squares Mercury—be careful with purchases or overthinking health concerns. Support flows through Chiron and Jupiter. Tuesday, the Taurus sun and Saturn help crystallize a creative project or romantic situation—turn a dream into reality. Wednesday, the Pisces moon activates your third house—important messages arrive through intuitive channels. Jot down all brilliant ideas that come to you.

AQUARIUS: (Jan. 20–Feb. 18)

Aquarius, this week, your power lies in being fully seen and heard. Sunday, the moon in your sign meets Pluto and Neptune—deep truths emerge around identity and soul purpose. Your mind is sharp and your words are penetrating. Jupiter's sextile with Chiron supports communication breakthroughs and healing past pain. Monday, be mindful of tone as the moon squares Mercury—express with care at home. Still, your insights can heal. Tuesday, the sun and Saturn support financial planning and clearer values. Wednesday, the Pisces moon enhances your intuition around income or self-worth—trust subtle cues. Avoid emotional impulse purchases.

PISCES: (Feb. 19–Mar. 20)

Pisces, this week, your intuition turns into a force of manifestation. Sunday, the Aquarius moon stirs your twelfth house—dreams, insights, and healing swirl as Pluto and Neptune activate hidden realms. Pay attention to what comes up for you, it may unlock a new journey. Jupiter's sextile to Chiron boosts self-worth. Monday, mental fog or family tension may arise as the moon squares Mercury—but creative solutions are close. Tuesday, the Taurus sun and Saturn in your sign ground you—make important decisions with grace. Wednesday, the moon enters your sign, fueling empathy and insight—trust what your heart knows.

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Goa's rock fans all set for Rockfest Mayhem

Cedric da Costa

A rock music festival, titled Rockfest Mayhem, is bringing back the vibe of classic 1980s and 1990s era music to the Sunshine State. This was the era of denim-clad youth grooving to beat shows, dances, and rock concerts. Against the backdrop of Goa's cashew and mango fuelled summer landscape, Goa's live live bands were legendary. Home to some of India's finest bands, the state overflowed with raw talent, supported by devoted fans and numerous platforms that celebrated musical expression.

Among the many rock bands that emerged during this time, several carved out unique identities. Coastal Goa, bustling with tourists bands was a melting pot of live open-air shows where international and national artists performed alongside local talent. The affluence of Goa's youth—music, performance and showmanship was king-size and on open display.

It was in this golden era that '13AD', a band formed by college friends from Cochin, debuted in Goa. They made an unforgettable impression at a college festival in Farmagudi and at Goa's famed big fat Carnival. 13AD greatly redefined the rock and pop scene, displaying never seen before vocal camaraderie, high tech gadgets and faultless



sound synchronization, fans mobbed them refusing to leave dance floors - the love story of 13AD with Goa had begun.

By the mid-1990s, 13AD had risen to become one of India's most celebrated rock bands, performing across the country and abroad. They signed a record deal with Magnasound Records and released two acclaimed albums, 'Ground Zero' and 'Tough on the Streets'. Several years later, in 2008, the band reunited—refined, evolved, and ready to thrill once again in Goa. Featuring Eloy Isaacs on lead guitar and vocals, Paul KJ on bass and vocals, Jackson Aruja on keyboards, Anand Sreeraj on lead vocals, and Floyd Libera on drums, they are now set to perform at Rockfest Mayhem, an end-of-summer rock celebration in Goa.

Back in those days, noise curfews were unheard of and concerts often lasted beyond sunrise. Goa's own hard rock talents flourished alongside bands like 13AD. One such standout was Bad Blood, a band composed of local musicians who quickly gained fame with their pop-rock anthems. Always ahead of their time, they were crowd favorites wherever they performed. The band featured Nixon

on lead guitar, Anthony on bass, Frazer on keyboards, and Aurville on drums. Today, their legacy continues with Gautam's dynamic vocals and Prathamesh's rhythmic brilliance on the tabla. Former members Blasio Pinto and Andrew Ferrao are set to make a special cameo appearance, performing songs from an upcoming album that pays tribute to the heyday of Goan live rock.

Adding a new chapter to this legacy is the newest band on the scene—Kodop, which means "rock" in Konkani. Known for their intense fusion-metal sound, Kodop's performances electrify audiences. With Sunit on vocals, Samuel, Daniel M, and Daniel C on guitars, Ancil on bass, and Parth on drums, the band promises high-energy sets that will send most pits into a frenzy.

Organiser Armando from El Camino Events shares that Rockfest Mayhem is more than just a concert—it's a heartfelt musical tribute to the Indian Army. "The concert is dedicated to the brave, disciplined, resilient, and inspiring spirit of our patriotic Indian Army," he says.

Rockfest Mayhem will be held today, May 18, at 6 pm at Quinta de Valadares, Verna.

Encore Spotlight 2025 sets a new benchmark in student performances

Kala Academy witnessed a landmark moment in Goa's performing arts landscape as the Encore Academy of Performing Arts presented Encore Spotlight 2025—a spectacular showcase that redefined the standard for student performances in the state. The evening featured over 180 performers delivering a series of high-energy, back-to-back acts, with a seamless pace and flow that kept the audience fully engaged from start to finish. Each transition was executed smoothly, and the performances built upon one another to create a cohesive, captivating narrative through movement, music, and expression.

Every performer was afforded a world-class on-stage experience. The costumes were vibrant, the make-up flawless, and every element—both on and off stage—was crafted to instil a sense of pride and ownership in each participant. For many, this was their first experience of the discipline and excitement that come with professional showmanship, and they rose to the occasion with brilliance and poise.

Co-founder Cecille Rodrigues remarked, "We believe in giving every child—not just the most talented—the chance to feel proud and special on stage. The confidence they gain in those moments stays with them for life."

Anup Arolkar, General Manager of Encore Academy of Performing Arts, added, "Months of training and rehearsal were invested in shaping this moment. Every detail, every decision was guided by the intent to make them feel like they



truly belonged on that stage—not just as learners, but as artists."

Encore Experiences handled the technical production with quiet precision and refined aesthetic sensibilities.

One parent shared, "My child looked so confident and composed. It wasn't just about the dancing, it was about giving them a genuine experience."

Encore Spotlight 2025 was an artistic experience that showcased the transformative power of the stage.



Feast of St Ana at Solva Raia

Capela de Santa Ana will celebrate the traditional Feast of St Ana, the patron saint of the chapel. Fr Januario da Costa, parish priest of Our Lady of Snows Church, Raia, along with the Managing Committee, has made all the necessary arrangements to ensure that the faithful can attend the Holy Eucharist at the chapel, beautifully situated on the hills of Solva, Raia.

Venue: St Ana Chapel, Solva Raia
Date: May 18
Time: 9:30 am

Book discussion

Mrinalini Harchandrai will be discussing his book, "Rescuing a River Breeze". This work of fiction follows Shirlly Quarachim, a Sindhi girl born in Panjim to immigrant parents and raised along the Mandovi, as she undergoes personal transformation amid the simmering atmosphere leading up to Goa's annexation, navigating the fluid tides of identity and cultural crossroads.

Mrinalini Harchandrai is a poet and writer. Published by Bloomsbury India, "Rescuing a River Breeze" was shortlisted for The Asian Prize for Fiction, longlisted for the UK's McKitterick Prize and longlisted for Green Literature Festival's Best Book Awards.

Venue: Museum of Goa, Pilerne
Date: May 18
Time: 11.30 am onwards

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Instructions for Sudoku

9 x 9 letter: To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes

solution 4847

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