

# Home horoscopes

Is your next dream decorating scheme written in the stars? Meet our resident astrologer Zoë, who has some divine inspiration for every sign

## LEO

24 JULY – 23 AUGUST

The eclipses in Leo and Aquarius this month will see you playing with fire and ice. You are the king of the kitchen with drinks in the chiller and steaks on the grill. Golden oranges contrasting with deep greens and blues make for a great colour scheme.

Bold zig zags will perfectly match the dramatic U-turns the planets have in store.

Birds upholstery linen, shown in Lake, £188 per metre, Galbraith & Paul at Tissus d'Hélène (020 7352 9977)



## VIRGO

24 AUGUST – 23 SEPTEMBER

Ever feel like you're going round in circles? No wonder – your Virgan year has come full cycle, which means it's time to clear away the clutter with intelligent storage and let your focus rest on an object inspired by nature's spirals and arcs. A new vase, perhaps?

## LIBRA

24 SEPTEMBER – 23 OCTOBER

Is your summer wardrobe bursting at the seams? Rearranging the chaos could turn up some long-lost favourites, and – even better – make room for a few new acquisitions. If the doors are shabby, hanging a silk screen over them will restore beauty to your bedroom.

## SCORPIO

24 OCTOBER – 22 NOVEMBER

This is a month of opposites – light and dark, high and low. So with that in mind, consider the difference a change in your lighting scheme may make. If your room's lacking brightness, installing a dimmer switch could be the perfect solution.

## SAGITTARIUS

23 NOVEMBER – 22 DECEMBER

Travel is your forté so bring a taste of the rich and exotic back home. Spice up your dining room with sumptuous glassware, crockery and furnishings. Why not throw a dinner party and offset metallic ceramics against lavishly covered seat cushions.

## CAPRICORN

23 DECEMBER – 19 JANUARY

Jupiter is expanding your horizons, which suggests you should create a clear, unhindered view from one part of the house to another. Don't worry if your house isn't big, rambling and open-plan – a few mirrors here and there should do the trick.

## AQUARIUS

20 JANUARY – 19 FEBRUARY

Neptune is in the sign of The Water Bearer, so pamper yourself in the bathroom. A Jacuzzi would be wonderful but, if your budget can't stretch that far, a new set of luxury bath towels, or some luxurious bubble bath would work just as well.

## PISCES

20 FEBRUARY – 20 MARCH

Although your tastes may lean towards the muted, there's no better time to be more adventurous. A stronger colour scheme – golden wheat, poppy red or cornflower blue – will energize your home with a taste of the countryside. It is summer, after all.

## ARIES

21 MARCH – 20 APRIL

Creativity and enjoyment are lit up by Leo. Look around at those furnishings that need a little bit of attention. And who's to say you can't have fun with a paintbrush? Maybe your kitchen cupboards or an old dresser would benefit from a fresh lick of paint?

## TAURUS

21 APRIL – 21 MAY

Don't forget, because you're an earth sign, natural materials are the order of the day. So whether you prefer bold floral patterns to traditional gingham checks, or terracotta tiles to real wood floors, don't lose that rustic look.

## GEMINI

22 MAY – 22 JUNE

In case you haven't you heard, communication is king. Clever cabling solutions will help you hide all the wires to your many gadgets and devices, so you won't be tripping over the lot. It's also a great excuse to invest in a few more hi-tech toys.

## CANCER

23 JUNE – 23 JULY

There's mystery in the air this month and nothing is as it seems, so you may as well have some fun with it. Create an air of intrigue and illusion by using multi-layers and semi-transparent materials for your new curtains and blinds.