

Home horoscopes

What's in store for your interior in the coming month? Astrologer Zoë has some decorating tips for every sign

SCORPIO

23 OCTOBER - 21 NOVEMBER

As the fireworks fly this month, Mars in Scorpio will set your energy soaring. Try to achieve a dynamic feel in your home with carefully placed lights that will throw shapes and shadows around each room.

Anemone Lamp from Best & Lloyd £1,050 [020 7349 7160]



PISCES

19 FEBRUARY - 20 MARCH

As Neptune starts to make waves, think nautical for invigorating design ideas. Whether you choose a marine motif for your decor or pamper yourself with a whirlpool bath, creating a stir on the water front will refresh your outlook – and warm the cockles of your Piscean heart.



SAGITTARIUS

22 NOVEMBER - 21 DECEMBER

The planet Venus will make an appearance month, which should encourage thoughts of classic beauty. Let the artwork of the Old Masters be your muse: dress windows with swathes of sheer fabric and choose accessories in salmon pinks and duck-egg blues. Fragrance your world with scented candles, incense or a generous bouquet of fresh flowers.

ARIES

21 MARCH - 19 APRIL

Those born under this sign are the rockets of the zodiac – bright, loud and impulsive. Don't hold back this month, launch into a project with gusto. The sky's the limit so think staircases and other high places. Redecorate the landing or hallway creating the illusion of height using uplighting, vertical lines, elongated triangles and pyramids.

LEO

23 JULY - 22 AUGUST

The appearance of Encke's Comet, on 5 November, injects some passion and flair into your creative plans. Your home is your palace, and grandeur your natural style. Acquire square objects of significant scale, such as a luxury sheepskin rug or a king-size four-poster, and create warmth and a sense of theatre in the boudoir with plush reds and glowing golds.

CAPRICORN

22 DECEMBER - 19 JANUARY

With a few period additions you can introduce a dignified air to your sitting room. Parquet flooring and wood panelling would make for perfect larger projects. For purchases, consider a Chesterfield sofa, dark-wood side table, brass reading lamp and an antique rug. Pairing leather with corduroys will add a new twist to traditional style.

TAURUS

20 APRIL - 20 MAY

The full moon in Taurus is earthy and sensual. Roll up your sleeves and get your hands dirty – you know how satisfying it is to re-pot your houseplants or reupholster your favourite furniture. Remember texture in your purchases, with soft wool rugs, cushion covers and throws. Moss greens, heather blues and smoky purples make for a pleasing palette.

VIRGO

23 AUGUST - 22 SEPTEMBER

The devil is in the detail. 'Polished' and 'refined' are your keywords. Focus on those finishing touches; for instance, replace your door handles with rushed-chrome or simple ceramic designs. Fill a chest of drawers to the brim with clean white linen.



Chrome Oval Knobs £41.69 from Simply Door Handles [01484 661222]

AQUARIUS

20 JANUARY - 18 FEBRUARY

This is a good month for your career – let electric colours elevate your mind and energize your spirit. Talking of electrics, adding functional items like printers, fans or thermostats to your home could save you time, energy and money.

Polaroid Pogo instant photo printer, £99.95. John Lewis [08456 049049]



GEMINI

21 MAY - 20 JUNE

An influx of ideas and projects at work and at home will set your head spinning like a catherine wheel. If painting or plastering your walls is on the agenda, calm your mind by using muted tones. Keep it contemporary and clean – you can always add a dash of colour or some intricate detail later when your schedule is a little lighter.

LIBRA

23 SEPTEMBER - 22 OCTOBER

You are the social butterfly of the zodiac, but the full moon on 13 November will see you drawing the curtains and seeking a little seclusion. Pamper yourself with a soft, new dressing gown and fluffy bathroom accessories and also indulge in silk/cotton towels or even better, a heated towel rail. Try to keep things neutral to give your eyes a well-deserved rest.