

# ARIES NEW MOON

## *Initiation and Divine Intent*

The Aries New Moon is considered a powerful new beginning. The New Moon provides a moment to press the reset button and consciously step into a fresh cycle.

While the astrological new year is often marked by the Aries Ingress, when the Sun enters Aries around March 19/20/21, the Aries New Moon carries a different kind of potency. It is quieter, more internal, yet just as significant. This is a sacred point where intention is seeded rather than declared. It is here that new impulses begin to take root, beneath the surface, preparing to emerge.

Aries, as the first sign of the zodiac, holds the essence of pure beginning. It is the spark before form, the instinct to move forward, the courage to start again without needing to know the full path ahead. There is something raw and unfiltered about Aries energy. It does not wait for certainty, it acts because the impulse to begin is stronger than the fear of the unknown.

This year's New Moon on April 17, carries an added weight and depth, as two major planetary forces - Saturn and Neptune - are moving through Aries. Saturn brings structure, discipline, and the call to take responsibility for our path, while Neptune dissolves boundaries, inviting vision, surrender, and a deeper alignment with something beyond the personal self. Together, they ask us not only to begin, but to begin with both clarity and faith. The call is to ground our dreams into something real, while remaining open to the unseen guidance shaping them.

Traditionally, Aries is ruled by Mars, the planet of action, drive, and desire. This gives the Aries New Moon its fiery, initiating quality. It is the ignition point, the first strike of the match. But within Esoteric Astrology, Aries is also ruled by Mercury. Mars may initiate the movement, but Mercury refines the direction.

In this sense, Aries is not only about action, but about conscious action. Not just beginning but beginning with awareness. Mercury acts as the bridge between the lower mind and the higher mind. As the Esoteric ruler, Mercury is the messenger that connects instinct with insight, impulse with intention. It invites us to pause just enough to ask: Why am I moving in this direction? What is truly guiding this desire to begin?

In Esoteric Astrology, initiation refers to stages of awakening, the unfolding of the soul's purpose. Aries, as the initiator, represents the moment of stepping onto the next level of that path.

The esoteric mantra of Aries is:

"I come forth and from the plane of mind, I rule."

There is deep meaning here. "I come forth" speaks to emergence, the courage to step into a new phase of being. "From the plane of mind, I rule" reminds us that true leadership of the self comes not from reaction or impulse, but from clarity, awareness, and alignment with higher intelligence.

So, while Mars may push us forward, Mercury asks us to do so with intention.

This Aries New Moon, then, is not just about charging ahead. It is about refining the impulse to act. We need to move beyond reactive patterns and into conscious creation. It asks us to leave behind unconscious drives, habitual responses, and impulsive reactions, and instead choose action that is aligned with purpose.

It is a call to become more deliberate in how we begin.

To initiate not from restlessness, but from clarity.

Not from urgency, but from inner knowing.

Not from ego, but from soul.

Wherever you find yourself on your path, Aries offers the spark for the next step. It does not require perfection, only willingness. A willingness to begin again, but this time with greater awareness of who you are becoming.

This is the fire of initiation, not just to start something new, but to step more fully into your own becoming.

## Transits

### Event

17 Apr 2026, Fri

9:51:48 pm AEST -10:00

Melbourne, Australia

Geocentric

Tropical

Placidus

