## **Leo 2025 Horoscopes**

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24 (August Monthly) — Rather than obsess over money, pay attention to what you're thinking and how you feel; it will be much more productive financially and every other way. The issues that most people have with their finances usually involve connecting with their values. Think of spending money as saying something. The question is, "Do you really mean it?" Then there is what you mean to say, and do not. That's about valuing something that you don't invest in. You're in a moment when you can make some observations and adaptations about these things. You can study your motives for spending and not spending. It's probably true that women spend their disposable funds more on an emotional basis (what feels good) and men do so using thoughtful planning (what they need or want). There are always exceptions, but how does this shake out for you? All of your astrology is guiding you in the direction of conscious prioritization. It's also suggesting that you do a kind of self-audit and see where your funds go. There is an issue in that most money is spent using a plastic card of some kind. That interposes a delay between the choice to spend and accounting for the expense (when you see the statement). With cash, you see it go out and you know it's been spent. There's also something about recognizing that all expenditures are factors in a business relationship. What are those relationships really about?

31 — A squaring-up of accounts might come in the form of a series of conversations where you and a close loved one or partner study where you align and where you do not. People get squirmy about these kinds of conversations, so you might want to go into observation mode first — especially of your own attitudes and approaches to life. Avoidant people usually avoid acknowledging that fact; it would the the antithesis of their MO. So ask yourself: is this your perception or is it true? This is best worked out on a situation by situation basis: for example, discussing what happened, or what something was about. You don't want a showdown and the way you would sidestep that is by owning up to your own situation. Take it gently. The factors involved are three powerhouses — Mars, Chiron and Eris. Do what you must; fulfill your responsibilities to yourself.

August 7 — The Full Moon in your opposite sign paired with Mercury turning direct are now influencing you. You may have the idea that can take on the world. That may be true, though the planets suggest you use diplomacy instead of force or aggression. You don't know what you're up against. You

can't really see your competitors, opponents or even your partners, clearly. Diplomacy is not manipulation; neither is it 'passive' aggression, which merely means concealed. Rather, when you sense a confrontation or a disagreement is brewing, get a conversation going and find out where people are at. This involves the now rarified skill of listening and evaluation that's not designed to funnel someone into a point of view they don't really have. Handle difficult situations with finesse and you'll build respect and help hold the world together rather than fracture it even more.

August 14 — A turbulent, potentially difficult and confusing phase of your life is behind you, though you may still be feeling unsettled. Anger and resentment are especially dangerous right now, because conditions can allow them to take hold as prevailing emotional patterns. Your astrology could be summed up as advising 'correct speech' and also not just diplomacy but also seeing mutual interests. Worldview and state of mind are more important than the words that you say. Consciousness in our time is being reduced to a gigantic game where oneself is the only player and everyone else is in a nonparticipating role. That's not companionship and it's not intimacy. And beneath any churned-up emotions, conflict or unpredictable events is the desire to be closer. Just remember, this is a skill few people remember or value, and it can feel threatening.

August 21 (September monthly) — You gain most of your strength and effectiveness through a steady approach to existence. This is becoming increasingly difficult in a world where people fly from trend to trend, and where ideas and structures seem to evaporate the moment they take shape. Right behind that endless drama is the truth that life changes in significant ways over time. The natural environment, including social relationships, change and evolve. Yet there's a difference between growth and things designed to be obsolete and transient, along with all that's intentionally destructive. Your steadfast approach will be supported by noticing the broad strokes of environmental shift. Most notable is your relationship scenario. You're now looking at the unstoppable force of Pluto all the time, gazing back at you from your opposite sign Aquarius. If you're evaluating relationships of any kind — amorous, collaborative, formal partnerships, or confrontational, there's an crucial factor to watch. In considering someone, what is their relationship to the group around them? Try to subtract yourself from the scene, and watch them relating to everyone else. What's their approach? To conform, to lead, to challenge, to collapse, or to set themselves apart? When you relate to someone, you're also engaging with the people they sweep into their environment. Do they relate to others as a distinct individual? Can they stand up for themselves when they're under

duress? This will reveal who they are, and describe where you may or may not belong in their life.