

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Legend has it, that Aquamarine changes colour to reveal 'true' or 'false'
- Garnet was known in medieval times as the 'Carbuncle' and warriors set them into their sword hilts to protect against injury on the battlefield.

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# CRYSTALS AND THE PLANETS

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## Planetary Stones

Each sign of the zodiac has what is termed a 'ruling planet'. Each planet rules one sign, with the exception of Venus and Mercury, which both rule two.

The planets have gemstones associated with them, which are believed to harness and amplify the energies of that particular planet.

It has been popular throughout the ages to wear the gemstone of the planet that corresponds to the sign of the zodiac under which a person was born. It is felt this will amplify the qualities of the ruling planet and influence everyday life.

### **Aquarius (20 January—19 February)**

Ruled by: Uranus

Planetary Stone: Turquoise

### **Pisces (19th Feb—20th March)**

Ruled by: Neptune

Planetary Stone: Aquamarine

### **Aries (21 March—20 April)**

Ruled by: Mars

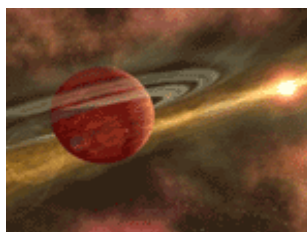
Planetary Stone: Red Garnet, Ruby

### **Taurus (21 April—20 May)**

Ruled by: Venus

Planetary Stone: Orange

Sapphire, yellow zircon



### **Cancer (21 June—22 July)**

Ruled by: Moon

Planetary Stone: Moonstone, Pearl, Emerald

### **Leo (22 July—22 August)**

Ruled by: Sun

Planetary Stone: Diamond,

Chrysoberyl

### **Virgo (22 August—22 September)**

Ruled by: Mercury

Planetary Stone: Topaz, Yellow Sapphire

### **Libra (22 September—23 October)**

Ruled by: Venus

Planetary Stone: Yellow Zircon

### **Scorpio (23 October—21 November)**

Ruled by: Pluto

Planetary Stone: Garnet, Ruby

### **Sagittarius (21 November—21 December)**

Ruled by: Jupiter

Planetary Stone: Amethyst, Sapphire, Lapis Lazuli

### **Capricorn (22 December—20 January)**

Ruled by: Saturn

Planetary Stone: Aquamarine,

## Bits & Pieces

### **Did You Know....**

- *Amethyst pales in sunlight*
- *Rainwater is great for cleansing crystals*
- *Hematite was worn by Romans during battle for protection*
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- *Citrine starts its life as Amethyst*
- *The ancient Japanese believed quartz was*

*formed from the breath of the white dragon.*

- *The word 'Amethyst' comes from the Greek word 'Amethystus' which means 'not drunken'. It is believed to protect against intoxication by liqueur.*

*The Romans believed Hematite was formed from the blood of fallen warriors.*