

Chinese and Western Combinations

Aries (Dragon) Month

Combination with Dog Year:



"Being" Mars, Fire, Cardinal

"Concerned" Yin-Positive Metal

Characteristics: Tactlessness, Excess, Talent, Uneasiness, Morality, Duty, Criticism, Courage, Naiveté, Domination, Sanctimony, Enterprise, Unsociability, Constancy, Respectability, Intelligence, Self-Righteousness, Cynicism, Ostentation, Heroism, Drive, Heartiness, Willfulness, Affability



While there is some skepticism in the Aries-Dog, there is the idea that everyone could and should be nice too. The Aries and the Dog make quite a combination with one that is ultimately good, if not complicated. Aries marches on in an ambitious and motivated fashion. Here there is a nice addition of compassion and sweetness; one that tends to even being naïve. That naïve portion can, however, manifest itself in the form of tactlessness. In spite of this, people generally think this combination is just plain nice. The internal dialectic of this combination is between the positive thinking Aries and the realism of the Dog. What results is an approach that takes the mean. The tension produced in the dialectic manifests itself in a worried Dog being comforted by a sweet and caring Aries. In the final analysis, there is the belief in the basic goodness of people. Ever the groundbreaker and pioneer, the Aries seeks out new frontiers. The final product here is a person who operates on moral force and metaphysical confidence.

Romance: Human nature being what it is truth in relationships is hard to find and being totally honest with another takes a lot of faith. However, Aries-Dogs insist on it and the slightest sign of dishonesty in a partner results in breakups. Generally speaking, age brings a more realistic attitude and they become more accepting of others foibles. The happy medium approach is employed in the personal life of the Aries-Dog too. They shun problems and take the middle ground. As with most individuals, this combination does marry and have a family, but that often is done later than most people. In their youth, Aries-Dogs are busy sorting out epistemological issues. They are relentless seekers of the truth.

Relationships: The Aquarius-Tigers are not the best choice even though there might be an attraction for this combination. Out of consideration are the Cancer-Rooster, Dragon, and Ram. Libra-Rams and Capricorn-Dragons are not good picks. The best romantic choices for this combination are the Gemini-Rabbit or Tiger as well as the Leo- Horse or Tiger. Also good selections are the Sagittarius-Rabbits and Tigers.

Family Life: Essentially, this combination is content and accepting. Perhaps their only flaw is their tendency to hurt people's feeling. They do not do this deliberately, and it is just a trait that seems to haunt all Dogs. The Aries-Dog has a deep and abiding sense of place. They know where they are in a profound way. They can establish their own territory and make it their own. Materialism is not in their character, but they do need space. They want space for themselves and they want space for those they love.

Likelihood: Among these combinations other talents are those involving creativity, including the arts. They have huge hearts and love humanitarian causes. Slips of the tongue are to be guarded against, however, because they often take a form that hurts people's feelings. Generally speaking though, their kind, open minded and flexible nature lets their good hearts shine through. The Aries-Dog is highly flexible and adaptable. Their interests and aptitudes are many. Because of their ability to organize they can be a boss or manager, but their nature is also suited to being an employee.

Famous Aries/Dog: *Henry Luce, Paul Robeson, Eileen Ford, Carmen McRae, Ved Mehta.*