

# Chinese and Western Combinations

## Aries (Dragon) Month

### Combination with Rat Year:

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**“Being”** Mars, Fire, Cardinal

**“Regulator”** Yin-Positive Water

**Characteristics:** Charisma, Intellectual, Enterprise, Courage, Skill, Domination, Naiveté, Acquisitiveness, Influence, Nervousness, Power, Willfulness, Thirsty, Excess, Sanctimony, Talent, Affability, Drive, Heartiness, Ostentation



This combination will help people they love in all sorts of situations, but they are not inclined to waste time helping those who refuse to help themselves. They are fearless about exploring new places and will happily go alone. This is a very unusual Aries and no ordinary Aries. It would be an Aries-Rat. With the talkativeness of the Aries, it is the craftiest in the combinations. There is the friendliness of the Rat combined with the jovial side of the Aries. Mixing the two results in a very good personality with charisma from the Rat and self-confidence from Aries. Extraordinary energy is the result. All of this is done with painstaking detail and beautiful script. In the bedroom there is a notebook that is full of the poems of the Aries-Rat and in the kitchen refrigerator there are meals that have been planned, home cooked and wrapped. The result is a person who cannot tolerate lazy people. There are plans and projects scattered everywhere in the life of an Aries-Rat. There might be plans for new additions to the house on your desk at work. Or in the den at home you might find plans for a new library that will be presented to the city council at its monthly meeting.

**Romance:** Impatience is a part of the Aries-Rat. With a quick and tense mind, help will always be provided in spite of the numerous plans and projects. But it might be of the prickly variety. They have no right to a coffee break. Besides, there is no time. The schedule is booked with projects, chores, trips, meetings, ceremonies and errands. What we have in the Aries-Rat is a person akin to an innocent ruler but who nevertheless is concerned with ruling. Following the rulebook, being stern and playing cop are all part of being a boss. Generally, people do not like those who are their bosses. Aries-Rats are not able to tolerate being hated and the loneliness of a king or queen is deadly to Aries-Rats. They find it very hard to talk to anyone because of their impatience.

**Relationships:** The gentle, patient and funny youth is taken by a deep seriousness about everything, including love. The powerful fixation on doing the right things is the cause of losing a lot of the fun in being in love. There is stiffness, tightness and near panic take over in this combination with age. There is a moderating effect with

children, social status and the necessary material accoutrements of life. With the passage of time the Aries-Rats is less mellow.

**Family Life:** Aries-Rats are fantastic parents who are even lovingly strict. The story with siblings is another matter because they are overly critical and superior. An Aries-Rat parent is the ultimate hands-on type, participating to the max and joining in everything. All of this starts before birth and actually never stops. Aries-Rat dads carry their kids on nature treks beginning at age two, later they go bird watching and join scouts. Aries-Rat moms make costumes for Halloween and school plays. She is chairperson of the school bazaar, bakes cookies and helps with rehearsals.

**Likelihood:** Regardless of their profession they are gifted. In fact, they find it joyful not just to work things out, but to plan and organize and even fill in forms. With essentially no apparent effort, they are successful. They rise above and that is where they want to be, whether in lifestyle or career. Quite obviously this type of person is hard-core in the ambition department. If there is a task, they work and it does not matter what it is.

**Famous Aries/Rats:** *Marlon Brando, Sarah Vaughan, Raymond Barre, John Cheever, Gloria Steinem.*