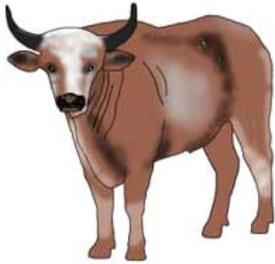


Chinese and Western Combinations

Capricorn (Buffalo) Month

Combination with Dragon Year:



"Utilize" Saturn, Earth, Cardinal

"Withdraw" Yin-Negative Wood

Characteristics: Epicureanism, Self-Doubt, Longevity, Complexity, Pedantry, Generosity, Hypochondria, Dependability, Loneliness, Clumsiness, Finesse, Prudence, Dilettantism, Ambition, Resolve, Stiffness, Squeamishness, Retention, Ambition, Virtue, Tact, Wisdom, Secretiveness, Superiority



This combination knows they are a cut above the others and has known that from an early age. They also know that their special place in the universe requires diligence in the form of hard work to maintain and hold on to. In general the Capricorn-Dragon seems friendly and engaged, but that hides the tension and inflexibility that is the true inner nature of this individual. Work is probably the most important word in the Capricorn-Dragon's vocabulary. Actually, this concept is about more than just work; it is philosophy that runs the entire spectrum from metaphysics to ethics. Work determines what is real, what is good and even what is excellence. The Capricorn-Dragon stands in judgment of the ordinary on the grounds that there has been insufficient effort to make it better. The work ethic is the best, and in some cases the only insurance against being second rate. They are veritable fanatics of the nose to the grindstone approach to existence. They are fearless in the face of detractors and harsh with those who dare to be non-believers. What is important in life is work and that is the bottom line for everything. The ladder to success is a tricky one to negotiate and the Capricorn-Dragon is well aware of this. Struggle, effort and relentlessness are mandatory to defeat the enemy known as the ordinary.

Romance: Beating in the heart of a Capricorn-Dragon is a wonderful family person. There is, however, one stumbling block and that is this combination is extremely appealing and that translates to frequent temptations. Should they succumb to this temptation, an exercise in bad faith follows, generally involving excuses for their behavior. This is needed because the Capricorn-Dragon is a very conservative individual. The Capricorn-Dragon is, in some ways, a latter day puritan. They are of the Honest-Abe school of truth.

Relationships: In the area of romance, good selections are Rats, especially Leo, Virgo, Scorpio or Pisces-Rats. Other good selections here are Taurus or Leo-Tigers. Continuing the list of positive choices are Taurus, Leo, Scorpio and Pisces-Roosters or Snakes. Both parts of this combination win popularity contests. In fact, they are so

popular; there is no need for the contest. In terms of Monkeys, the best picks are Virgo, Scorpio or Pisces. Bringing up the rear and in the realm of the negative are Gemini, Cancer and Libra-Dogs and Gemini and Cancer-Buffalos.

Family Life: This combination's furniture consists of hand-me-downs that do not match. The best thing that can be said about their decor is that it is funky. They prefer fine wine to fine furniture and they like expensive and helpful gadgets more than original art work. The Capricorn-Dragon is not materialistic. In fact, they are quite a long distance from anything that involves the need to impress others. They approach their house as a pad rather than a home; a place to crash. They are not particularly neat in their housekeeping and not prone to running around picking things up before a visitor arrives. Things often get left where they were set down, the dog sleeps on the couch, the kids' roller skates are in the middle of the living room and the old and broken computer sits on the dining room table.

Likelihood: This combination makes fine personnel people, especially in areas that require giving directions. As bosses they are generally terrific because they encourage those who work for them and make suggestions rather than give orders. All this is pleasant enough, but there is one cautionary note. If they feel someone has betrayed them, they have no mercy in dealing out retributive justice. The Capricorn-Dragons seek themselves. They want to know who they are, what they are and where they are in the deepest possible meaning of those questions. They relentlessly partake of self-exploration. A prime mover in this search is the desire to understand others; particularly the needs of others. They are kind and giving but not to extremes. One of their main aptitudes is managing people.

Famous Capricorn/Dragons: Joan of Arc, Faye Dunaway, Joan Baez.