

Chinese and Western Combinations

Leo (Monkey) Month

Combination with Monkey Year:



"Will Power" Sun, Fire, Fixed

"Arrange" Yin-Positive Metal

Characteristics: Leadership, Self-Involvement, Ruse, Silliness, Wit, Self-Satisfaction, Zeal, Opportunism, Nobility, Arrogance, Power, Deceit, Protection, Improvisation, Immodesty, Promiscuity, Cunning, Vanity, Loyalty, Tyranny, Warmth, Philanthropy, Stability, Loquacity



This combination has a genius for verbal communication and can readily bring about a laugh or a tear in the most stoic of personalities. Being a mixture of the Lion and the Monkey, there is a royal but agile bearing that this combination carries everywhere. That translates as clout in a small package. The Leo-Monkey is a fabulous combination that blends numerous appealing characteristics into one fine individual. They are enchantment personified. Among the things that draw people to this combination are compassion and intelligence. While the Leo-Monkey does display their royalty, they do it in a way that is modest thanks to the Monkey influence. They bring a certain tact that wards off feelings of superiority. This combination does appreciate a bit of adoration, particularly in terms of their appearance, which they are careful to maintain. In addition to the compassion and other fine traits in the person of a Leo-Monkey, they have a great deal of insight into their own being. They know themselves well. There is also a surprise in store in that this combination can handle criticism; something that is rare for a Leo indeed. They do not automatically assume they are the boss, but it would be misleading to say that they do not have a slight edge of superiority. Their egos do not need to be endlessly stroked and they do not need hordes of people around nodding their heads in agreement.

Romance: The Leo-Monkey is inclined to be somewhat controlling and has the green eyes of jealousy. To be the partner of a Leo-Monkey means to experience questioning about who, what, when, where and why they are on frequent occasions. The area of romance is the spot that the Leo-Monkey has decided to be a donkey. It is a shame, because they are really great people. Like most ointments, one must be careful of flies and to be sure there is an issue with this combination and, unfortunately it comes with matters of the heart. It seems that it is here that the Leo ego has decided to be most forceful and this causes some errors of judgment and false steps.

Relationships: Poor choices in this combination for compatibility are Scorpio or Aquarius-Snakes. Taurus and Aquarius-Horses are not particularly good either.

Topping the choices in the category of romance are the Gemini, Libra, Sagittarius or Capricorn-Rat. Aries, Gemini, Sagittarius and Capricorn-Dragons are also excellent.

Family Life: This combination is terrific with children because they are enthralling and somewhat childish themselves. Neatness in the home is not their highest priority but things get done even though this combination is not strict. It is hard to see them as authority figures instead of wizards. They live in comfortable homes with a unique but not strange feel to them. They enjoy making their lives and their family's life less of a burden. A relationship with the Leo-Monkey is a true partnership in every sense of the word. They are loving and involved members of the family who are responsible, caring, and helpful and do their share. Regardless of gender they help with the kids from birth. They use their humor and enthusiasm to a great benefit.

Likelihood: While this is an odd combination to find in one being, it works for the Leo-Monkey. It also permits a wide range of professions and interests. It would be remiss to not point out something that is somewhat obvious. The Monkey loves sports. Possible professions are Physical Education, the travel industry or any of the helping professions. The Leo-Monkey might not have a double major in Philosophy and Religion. They might not meditate or read Immanuel Kant; they are metaphysicians and spiritually minded nonetheless. They are poets who swing from trees and ride magic carpets. In all of this however, they are folks: real, down-to-earth people who make good neighbors and friends.

Famous Leo/Monkeys: *Alexandre Dumas fils, Henri Cartier-Bresson, Salvador Allende, Ray Bradbury, Mick Jagger, Bella Abzug.*