

ZODIAL SPOKANE Handmade: Artisan Soap

Element: Air ~ Quality: Cardinal ~ Ruler: Venus

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September 23rd ~ October 22nd

Libra! It's our birthday and I don't know about you, but I'm ready to party! For those of you who aren't Libras, we are the second air sign in the zodiac and are ruled by the planet Venus. We, like our sister Venus-ruled sign, Taurus, love all things Venusian. We love creature comforts and the arts. Food and good wine are a must if you want to take us on a date, but while sitting in silence and enjoying a good meal would be enough for my Taurean friends, that won't cut it for Libra. We also have to have stimulating conversation if you are hoping for a second date. In fact, you could take us to a park bench with a cup of coffee and give us the best conversation of our lives and we'd probably move in the next day.

Believe it or not, Libras are in fact intellectuals. I know most people think of us as superficial bimbos prancing up and down Rodeo Drive, but the reality is that we are saddled with very strong convictions about people and life in general. It's a shame really, as there are days when I wish I could prance up and down Rodeo Drive. Instead, I somehow end up at a protest people watching and admiring the really cool and artistic political signs.

Libras are all about harmony and balance. This is why we are here, to study humanity and find the balance, the places where the opposite sides meet to form the perfect utopia. We embody the qualities of our ruling planet, along with Taurus, but where Taurus focuses them in a more physical way, Libra's job is to utilize the influence of Venus in a more conceptual way through partnerships. This has its ups and downs. For example, one of our favorite things in the whole world is learning about and understanding people. From the time we are little, we are paying attention to how people react to things, what they like, what they don't like, what makes them happy and sad. It's not uncommon for Libras to hear things like, "you are one of the only people who has ever understood me like this," "I feel like I've known you forever," "You are the nicest person I've ever met," "I don't know why I want to tell you all my secrets"... You get the idea. Let's face it, we are charming. We get people, it's our jam.

We also like to flirt. Most Libras have had this backfire at some point in our lives. For many Libras, flirting isn't a big deal, it's just a fun pastime. That isn't the case for many other signs (except maybe Leos; they make us look like prudes) and every once in a while our fun flirtatious banter is misunderstood as serious interest. This is horrid for Libra because we don't like being mean or rude and we especially hate hurting someone's feelings. The older, more mature Libra will know how to flirt appropriately to avoid this sort of nightmare. The younger, more inexperienced Libra should tread cautiously until they have this talent mastered. Sometimes this happens to Libras even when they aren't flirting. Just being friendly and genuinely interested in people can also have this unfortunate side effect. When I met my husband and we were dating, he wasn't thrilled that men brought me gifts that I would bring home from work. (Even if we aren't available, a Libra isn't going to throw flowers away. Come on.) There was one young man who seemed to think that I was just being coy when I said I had a boyfriend and after the chocolates and flowers didn't work, I was presented with a brand new copy of The Sound Of Music Soundtrack. He said that it reminded him of me, which, no disrespect to Sound of Music lovers, was a little insulting since I considered myself more of Rocky Horror Picture Show kind of woman. That's beside the point, but you get the gist. This guy didn't really know me, but he probably mistook my genuine enjoyment in talking to people as interest in him romantically and didn't realize that we weren't compatible. Who knows, maybe he was one of those Don Juan Libras. You should be careful around those Libras, BTW. Bad news. All the charm but not a ton of the balance, if you catch the drift.

Libra's are also known for being creative and funny. We can be serious and detached, but usually that isn't our favorite place to be emotionally so we try to avoid it. If your Libra loved one is quiet and detached, then tread lightly. It means we're pissed. We also have a tendency to be bossy; you wouldn't think so, but it's true. We usually make good bosses because we can be bossy while still being fair. Barring an unfortunate Aries or Capricorn placement, the Libra bossiness is subtle, and if the Libra is especially adept, you won't even know that you're being bossed. We are usually found at parties and anywhere there is an injustice in the world. It's a cliche that there are millions of us in social justice fields, but it's true. We also tend to gravitate to one another. That's a real thing, ask your Libra friends and you'll discover we all know who is and isn't a Libra in our friend circle. We will even know if the girl at the coffee shop or the bus driver are Libras. We love benign gossip and would seriously all carry a lasso of truth around with us if they made one. We would all probably bring it to parties; we couldn't help ourselves. Ironically, we don't think life should be taken too seriously. All the world's a stage for my sign, and we wouldn't want it any other way.





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Zodiac symbol: The Scales

Keyword: I Balance

Polarity: Aries

Part of the body: The Lower Back

Chakra: Anahata, Heart Chakra

Magical Stone: Opal

Magical Color: Lavender

Flower: Rose

Animal: Snakes and bizards

Balancing - Charming - Communicative - Fair - Idealistic - Kind Justice - Social - Fun - Intelligent - Thoughtful - Creative - Funny

