

Vedic Astrology History

Vedic astrology in India is known as Jyotish and can be translated as the “science of light”. The principles of Vedic astrology were narrated by ancient Rishis (enlightened sages of the Vedic people) to their disciples and is said to be over 5,000 years old. The ancient Vedic wisdom is contained in the sacred books known as the Vedas and Vedangas.

The principles of Vedic astrology are based on the observed astronomical and astrological calculations and used to determine planetary influences that give the effects of karma (actions). Using the exact time of birth gives information about life events and the Vimshottari Dasha sequence provides insight into the general life trends of the past, present and future (because karma doesn't happen all at once).

The planetary influences are not necessarily set in stone, but rather thought of as fluid journey. It is said that these influences can be changed, to some extent, through planetary remedies. These remedies are the essence of astrology include the use of gemstones and color therapy.

There are many different astrology systems out there today, but the ancient Vedic wisdom is thought to be one of the oldest and most reliable and accurate astrology systems.