CHINESE ZODIAC SIGNS

The Chinese zodiac is a 12-year cycle that links each year to an animal sign. The 12 animal signs are Rat (shu 鼠), Ox (niu 牛), Tiger (hu 虎), Rabbit (tu 兔), Dragon (long 龍), Snake (she 蛇), Horse (ma 馬), Sheep (yang 羊), Monkey (hou 猴), Rooster (ji 雞), Dog (gou 狗) and Pig (zhu 豬).



The order of the animal signs is fixed, with the Dragon being the fifth in the cycle, hence the Year of the Dragon (longnian 龍年) in 2024. Last year, 2023, was the Year of the Rabbit (tunian 兔年) and 2025 is the Year of the Snake (shennian 蛇年).



RAT

People born in the year of the Rat like saving and collecting.

They never have hard times financially and live organized lives.

If you receive a valuable gift from a Rat, know that they think highly of you. Rats don't look for praise and recognition. They are very sensitive and know when there is trouble.

Birth Year: 1972, 1984, 1996, 2008, 2020

Compatibility

Best match: Ox

Best group: Monkey, Dragon

Incompatible: Horse



OX

People born in the year of the Ox are hard workers and have a strong sense of responsibility. Even if they run into difficulty during work, they'll persevere through. They are usually quiet and keep their emotions bottled up inside. It's hard for others to understand them.

Birth Year: 1973, 1985, 1997, 2009, 2021

Compatibility

Best match: Rat

Best group: Snake, Rooster

Incompatible: Goat



TIGER

People born in the year of the Tiger are independent and have high self-esteem. They enjoy being the leader and protector of people. They love justice and never back down in an argument. Even when they fail, Tigers will always find a way to stand back up and succeed in the end.

Birth Year: 1962, 1974, 1986, 1998, 2010, 2022

Compatibility

Best match: Pig

Best group: Horse, Dog
Incompatible: Monkey



RABBIT

People born in the year of the Rabbit are gentle, quiet and polite. Their sense of responsibility and attention to detail lead to great career success. They take love seriously as well. If they find the right person, they'll love them to the end of the world and back.

Birth Year: 1963, 1975, 1987, 1999, 2011, 2023

Compatibility

Best match: Dog

Best group: Pig, Goat Incompatible: Rooster



DRAGON

People born in the year of the Dragon have hearts full of adventure and romance. It's hard for people to understand a Dragon's mysterious personality. They may seem indifferent, but once they decide to do something, they are more ambitious than anyone else.

Birth Year: 1964, 1976, 1988, 2000, 2012, 2024

Compatibility

Best match: Rooster

Best group: Monkey, Rat

Incompatible: Dog



SNAKE

People born in the year of the Snake are idealists. On the outside, they may seem cold but, deep inside, they are warm and enthusiastic. Their desire for exclusive ownership is very fierce. Snakes are devoted and determined, but their worst enemy is laziness.

Birth Year: 1965, 1977, 1989, 2001, 2013

Compatibility

Best match: Monkey

Best group: Rooster, Ox

Incompatible: Pig



HORSE

People born in the year of the Horse are never one to surrender.

They are always positive and energetic, pushing themselves forward. Their biggest desire is to have the freedom to do what they like and be able to express themselves. However, they are bad at keeping secrets and lose interest quickly.

Birth Year: 1966, 1978, 1990, 2002, 2014

Compatibility

Best match: Goat

Best group: Tiger, Dog

Incompatible: Rat



GOAT

People born in the year of the Goat have a pure and kind heart.

They'd rather suffer silently than argue and ruin someone else's mood. Though kind, Goats are skilled at using soft power, able to patiently and politely persuade others into their favor.

Birth Year: 1967, 1979, 1991, 2003, 2015

Compatibility

Best match: Horse

Best group: Pig, Rabbit

Incompatible: Ox



MONKEY

People born in the year of the Monkey do things based on interest. If it's something they're interested in, they'll put their entire heart into it and work until they succeed. They live a long life full of energy and curiosity for the world.

Monkeys also value relationships.

Birth Year: 1968, 1980, 1992, 2004, 2016

Compatibility

Best match: Snake

Best group: Rat, Dragon

Incompatible: Tiger



ROOSTER

People born in the year of the Rooster are able to sense what the other person is thinking or feeling. They have quick reactions and high EQ. Roosters are creative and talented in the arts, although few find a career in that field. They have foresight and plan everything carefully.

Birth Year: 1969, 1981, 1993, 2005, 2017

Compatibility

Best match: Dragon

Best group: Snake, Ox

Incompatible: Rabbit



DOG

People born in the year of the Dog are conservative and full of justice. Because of their loyalty, Dogs are valued in the workplace. They rarely break rules, except for people important to them. In life, they only wish to live quietly with their family.

Birth Year: 1970, 1982, 1994, 2006, 2018

Compatibility

Best match: Rabbit

Best group: Tiger, Horse

Incompatible: Dragon



PIG

People born in the year of the Pig think logically and are able to fix whatever problem they're in. They aren't good communicators, but they're kind and able to provide for the family. Most of them are wealthy. Their only obvious fault is that they lose their temper easily.

Birth Year: 1971, 1983, 1995, 2007, 2019

Compatibility

Best match: Tiger

Best group: Rabbit, Goat

Incompatible: Snake