ADVANCED SOLAR RETURNS

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ABOUT ME

➤ I have practiced traditional astrology professionally since 2000.

➤ My teachers are John Frawley and Deborah Houlding.

➤ I teach, consult with clients, and write - currently a column on astrological magic for The Mountain Astrologer.

➤ I am working on a very long-term project; illustrating and explaining Guido Bonatti's 146 Considerations (12th century text) in cartoon format. You can see past pages on Facebook, Instagram, and if you want to support my work, Patreon.

➤ My work with hundreds of clients' natal charts has helped me create a solar return predictive process that works. I use solar returns all the time.
PROBLEM: INTERPRETING THE SOLAR RETURN AS A STANDALONE CHART WORKS …kind of.
UNFORTUNATELY, THIS IS THE 20TH CENTURY APPROACH.

Astrologers get turned off of using solar returns.
LET'S TRY A SOLO SOLAR RETURN

What kind of year was the person having?
Louis XVI of France
Solar Return
Aug 22 1792 NS, Wed  (±2 secs)
10:59:20 am  LMT -0:08:32
Versailles, France
48°N, 02°E 08'
Geocentric
Tropical
Placidus
True Node
Rating: B
Inner Wheel
Louis XVI of France
Male Chart
Aug 23 1754 NS, Fri
6:24 am  LMT -0:08:32
Versailles, France
48°N48' 002°E08'
Geocentric
Tropical
Placidus
True Node

Outer Wheel
Louis XVI of France
Solar Return
Aug 22 1792 NS, Wed  (±2 secs)
10:59:20 am  LMT -0:08:32
Versailles, France
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Placidus
True Node
LESSON 1:

ALWAYS USE SOLAR RETURNS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NATAL CHART
WHICH PLANETS IN THE SOLAR RETURN ARE IMPORTANT?

We need to narrow down our focus.
Profection Years

From skyscript.co.uk
Something major happened to this person at age 35.
Louisa May Alcott
Solar Return
Nov 29 1867 NS, Fri  (±2 secs)
12:19 pm  LMT +5:00:43
Germantown, PA
40°N, 02°36'' 075°W, 10°50''
Geocentric
Tropical
Placidus
True Node
Rating: AA
Inner Wheel
Louisa May Alcott
Female Chart
Nov 29 1832 NS, Thu
0:30 am  LMT +5:00:43
Germantown, PA
40°N02'36'' 075°W10'50''
Geocentric
Tropical
Placidus
True Node

Outer Wheel
Louisa May Alcott
Solar Return
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True Node
Louisa May Alcott
1832-1888

Author of Little Women.
LESSON 2:

USE OTHER TECHNIQUES, SUCH AS PROFECTIONS, TOGETHER WITH THE SOLAR RETURN TO IDENTIFY FOCUS FOR THE YEAR
Identify stationing planets
SR 1868
Louisa May Alcott
Planets stationing retrograde indicate deterioration.

Planets stationing direct promise an improvement.

Identify the matters involved and the magnitude of the change by natal house rulership and the planet’s nature.
Jupiter rules two angles and is himself angular.
ANYONE BORN WITHIN A DAY OF NOVEMBER 16?
LESSON 3:
IDENTIFY PLANETS CHANGING DIRECTION AS INDICATIONS OF LIFE CHANGES
LET'S COMBINE WHAT WE LEARNED SO FAR

In piano terms, we now play the right and left hand parts together.
SUMMARY OF ADVANCED SOLAR RETURN PROCESS

➤ Describe the Lord of the Year’s location and condition in the Solar Return

➤ Note the Solar Return sign and its location in the natal chart, and the natal Ascendant and its location in the Solar Return

➤ Identify dominant configurations in the Solar Return

➤ Close major aspects

➤ Solar Return planets on natal or SR Asc or MC

➤ Planets changing direction
Louisa May Alcott

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Geocentric
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Rating: AA

SR Asc is natal 7th
CONVERSE  
SOLAR  
RETURNS  
WORK  

*Not traditional at all!*
✓ Count as many years back from year of birth as current age.

✓ If you were born in 2000, your current converse solar return would be for 1982 (2000 minus 18).

✓ Some software will calculate it automatically if you choose the converse option.
Louis XVI of France

Solar Return

Converse

Aug 23 1716 NS, Sun  (±2 secs)
1:44:49 am  LMT -0:08:32

Versailles, France
48°N48' 002°E08'

Geocentric
Tropical
Placidus

Converse SR
Louis XVI
Louis XVI of France

Solar Return

Aug 22 1792 NS, Wed  (±2 secs)
10:59:20 am  LMT -0:08:32

Versailles, France
48°N 002°E 08'

Geocentric
Tropical
Placidus
True Node
Rating: B
Louisa May Alcott
Solar Return
Converse
Nov 28 1797 NS, Tue  (±2 secs)
12:39:54 pm  LMT +5:00:43
Germantown, PA
40°N02'36'' 075°W10'50''
Louisa May Alcott
Female Chart
Nov 29 1832 NS, Thu
0:30 am  LMT +5:00:43
Germantown, PA
40°N02'36'' 075°W10'50''
Geocentric
Tropical
Placidus
True Node
Rating: AA
MORE IS MORE

Birthplace or location?
USE BOTH.

Each will give you part of the complete picture.
Thank you!

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