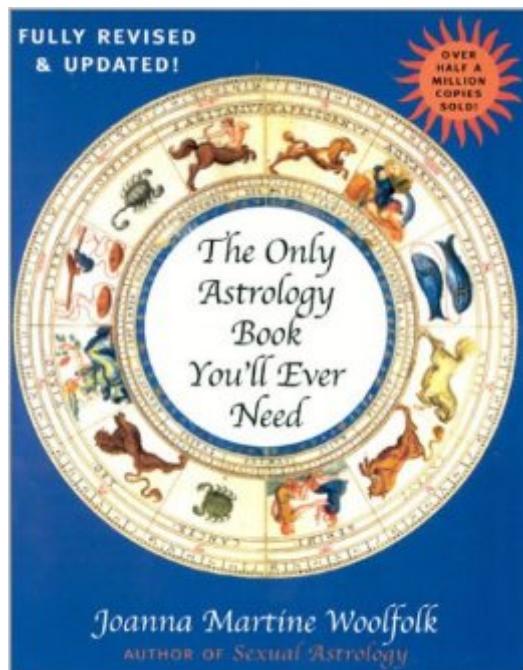


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Synopsis

Bestselling author Joanna Martine Woolfolk has completely revised and updated The Only Astrology Guide You'll Ever Need for the first time in 19 years. Here is a book that with a few hours of reading will enable anyone to cast his or her own chart. It gives explanations of the influences that are often given scant attention in conventional astrology books: the moon signs, the rising sun, the placement of the planets, and the significance of the twelve houses. Woolfolk also discusses astrology in history and legend. Easy to use, this book supplies simplified tables that in most cases require only the laying down of a ruler across the birthdate.

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I am a professional Astrologer who has studied astrology for 16 years now. This was my first Astrology book at 15 and it was a very dim general introduction. To advise you before buying: It is very dumbed down for the novice to understand. There are better books to get a better understanding about astrology. The art of chart interpretation is complex and cannot be that simplified. If you want to accurately learn astrology then I suggest authors like Stephen Arroyo, Steven Forrest, Kevin Burke, , Noel Tyl. I teach basic astrology and I would never recommend this book to my students. In an effort to be fair I will say if you do not want to cast charts and know some slight details on houses ,signs etc then this is a decent introduction but by no means is this a great book for the beginning astrology student. I will say although it was (((my first book))) It never took me to that next level I was seeking. If I would have relied on it as my only book I would not be a good astrologer today.

The title really is false advertising: You can't even do the kind of astrology that's described in the book with just this book, as you need an ephemeris--a chart that tells you what degree your planets are in--to figure out the aspects between planets, and this is a central part of astrology. You can find an ephemeris--as well as more helpful readings of what planets in signs and houses mean--from Parker's Astrology, a far superior all-in-one astrology book. Much of Woolfolk's book has a cut-and-paste feel. There's a chintziness about the writing that is in keeping with the choice of such a cheesy, mercenary title. I'd like to single out the section on synastry, or chart comparison, which is bad to the point of being harmful. I give this book two stars rather than one because it can give a beginner a general idea of what real astrology is about, and may lead them on to more serious books. So it has some value to the extent that its title is wrong.

If you were born in the southern hemisphere, forget about buying this book. The charts are only for the northern Hemisphere

An excellent book anyone who has given less than four stars is being harsh !!! The only short comings that this book has are 1.) The aspects for planets are limited (It views aspects as bad, good, and ok but not in those exact words. The only information that she can give you on aspects is the conjunction between planets , which is no more than 2/3 lines, other than that there is no help.) 2.) Recent 'planetiods' such as lilith, chiron, ascendant and midheaven do not have aspect information. For instance if you wanted to know what sun conjunct ascendant meant in your chart, or any of the above I've mentioned, there is no help. 3.) Cusp information is not included at all. For instance say that your 4th house cusp fell on pisces. There is no information that would tell you what this means. To make a long story short, the book is excellent for everything except aspects and house cusp information.

After waiting 2 months for this book, the ship date gets pushed back. I finally get the book and the software to calculate the chart is not included. It's supposed to be a link, but the link on doesn't work. It's not active! I call and all they can do is suggest I return the book and/or I can call the publisher myself. The back of the book even says it comes with software to build your chart which will also direct you to the corresponding page in the book. Seems to me, shipping half of a product. DON'T BUY THIS BOOK FROM .

This is an excellent book for beginners. It brings together all the elements I needed in a beginning book and explained quite a few things most astrology books assume you already know. There are certainly more in depth books on the individual subjects covered but I know of none that cover *all* the subjects in this book. You may find yourself *wanting* more detailed books after reading this one, but you won't *need* them. The basics, common sense and imagination will take you a long way with this book as your guide.

I couldn't agree more with most of the other reviewers. This truly is THE only book on astrology you will ever need, whether you are new to the whole, exciting world of astrology, or if you are already a pro. I would not say I'm a hard core astrology person, however I've always had an interest in it and found that the majority of things in this book were right on the money! It's almost as if the person who wrote this book knew exactly who I was and everything there is to know about my personality and the personality of other people I know. It is well written, easy to follow, and organized well into different sections. I even let a friend who is a die hard astrology follower, borrow this book and she was very impressed by it. Having read dozens of books on astrology, she said that this one definitely blew all the others away.

The author writes with clarity in a warm and direct style. I do not agree that it is the *only* book you'll ever need on astrology, but it is a good place to start. I am most disappointed that the second edition contains a glaring error: The author lists George W. Bush as a "Famous Gemini." She is wrong! George W. Bush was born on July 6, 1946 at 7:27 AM in New Haven, CT. He is a CANCER Sun, Leo Rising (Ascendant) and Libra Moon. I can hope that this is a publishing error/typo, but it makes me nervous--If she is wrong about the Sun Sign of the President, (and it's not a typo), what else is wrong with the book? How accurate is other information? After reading the second edition, I don't trust her expertise as much as I once did. The Age of Aquarius is not usually covered in a basic astrology book and her section on entering the Aquarian Age is well-done. (Both editions have it.) The author provides something for all of us to think about because this Age carries both a promise for a better world and a dire warning: The inventions that can save us can also kill us. (Nuclear power, an Aquarian invention, as an energy substitute for depleting natural resources vs. global nuclear war) We have the technology to go either way. Which way will we go? I have both editions of the book and I am disappointed in the second edition because it has "Completely Revised and Updated" in big letters on the front cover. I couldn't tell much difference between the two editions as I placed them side by side and compared them. Still, astrologers are not known for their clear writing

styles and Ms. Woolfolk explains astrology better than most. She has something to offer the beginner in the often murky world of astrological writing and terminology. I wish she hadn't written that George W. is a Gemini, but her writing style and clarity are worth a look.

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