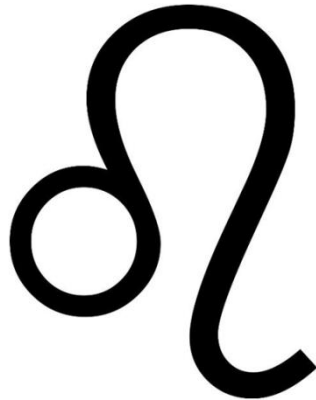

Leo

An Astrological Peek

Pyreus



Leo



23rd July – 21st August

Element **Fire** ~ Quality **Fixed**

Charge **Positive** ~ Ruling Planet **Sun** ~ Day **Sunday**

Leo is the *fifth sign of the Zodiac* and is ruled by the **Sun**, the life giver and protector in our sphere of existence. He is the governor of *authority and will*, a *fixed, masculine* and *positive aspect fire sign*. The **lion**, king of the jungle is the symbol for Leo, an aspect of the sun in the heavens.

Just as the sun *radiates warmth and light*, so do individuals born under the sign of Leo, when they are at their best. During these joyful times, *grandness, confidence* and *generosity* are the order of the day. Life is full of *love and pleasure*, with Leo people shining with *enthusiasm* and a *strong sense of honour and humour*.

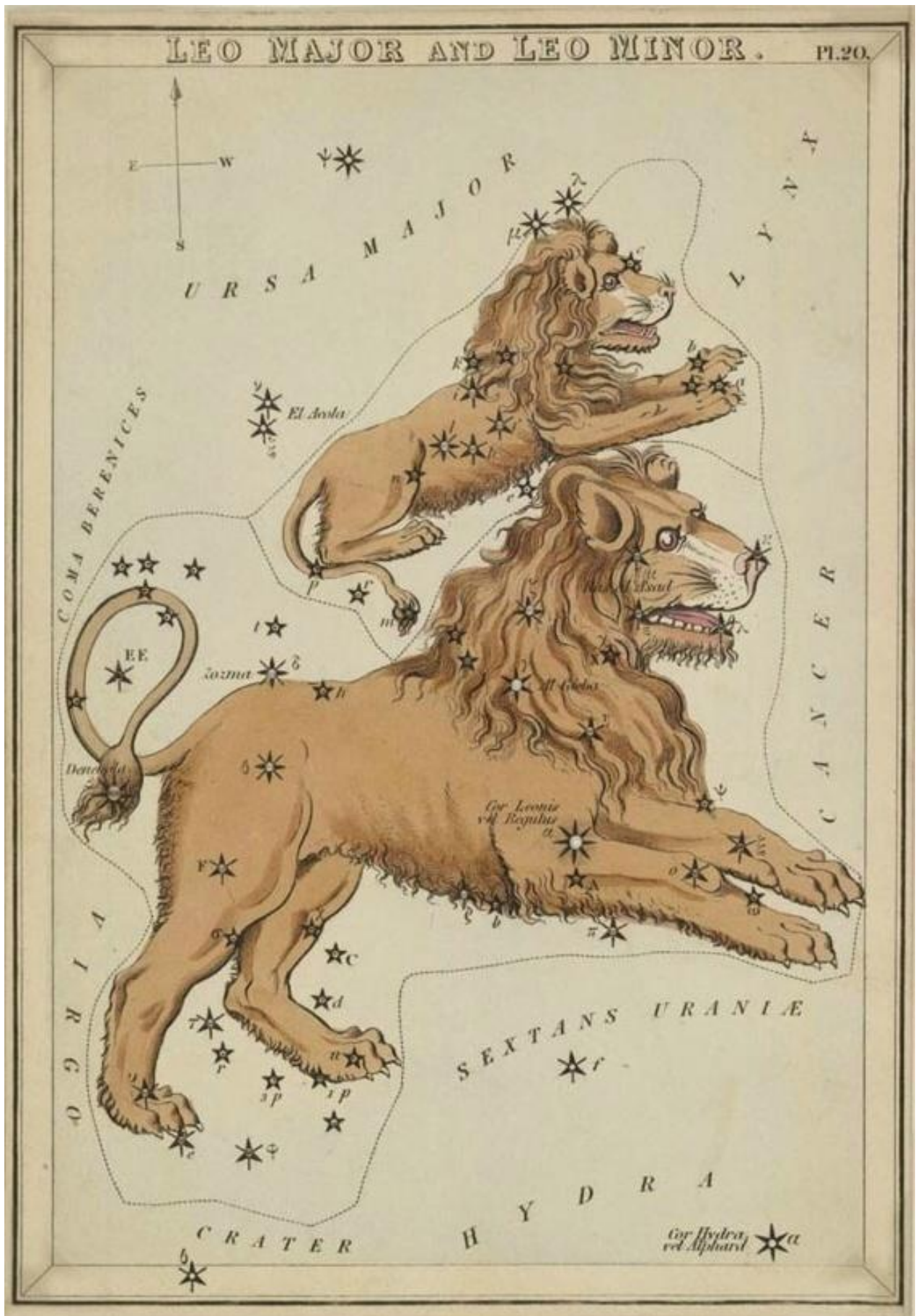
At times of feeling low and unloved, mainly a shift from the true Self, Leo people can be very *egocentric and extremely overbearing*. During these times it is best for a retreat into one's own space to re-connect and come into balance again.

Leo rules the *heart and back* with Leo persons have a *strong constitution*. Leo colours are *gold, royal purple*, and *orange*, with the birthstone being *sardonyx*. Flowers for Leo include the *showy dahlia, yellow lily, red poppy, marigold, sunflower* and *heliotrope*.

In Greek mythology, the **constellation of Leo** is a tribute to the adventure of *Heracles and the Nemean lion*. The glorious beast was a terror in the countryside for years, until his encounter with Heracles. Once the lion was defeated, Heracles made a cloak from the hide of the powerful beast and wore it as a *symbol of strength and honour*.

LEO MAJOR AND LEO MINOR.

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