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Jupiter, Juno, Venus in Synastry and Relationships. Jolie Pitt, Part 3 Angelina and Brad making it work.

It has been noted here and elsewhere that Brad and Angelina are opposites, he is Sagittarian Sun, she is Gemini, their Moons are in squared signs and their Ascendants in inconjunct signs. Despite his fire Sun and Ascendant he constructed mostly from earth and water, while she is predominantly fire and air. They do have Venus opposite Venus, which may appear to offer a life raft in the confusion about why they are together. Since little else works the way synastry is supposed to it is tempting to assume this Venus contact must be proof of love conquering all their other differences. I submit that although Venus opposite Venus is likely to light the romantic spark it is much less likely to last without strong support elsewhere. Venus in her pure form is not made for long relationships. Venus in her pure form is actually an oxymoron. Her real character has been continuously ignored because The Tradition has removed any other option to rule, or stand as a symbol for, the human pair bond.

Ancient myth, accepted by modern practitioners, dictates that once the young female becomes Mother she can never again be connected with romantic love, or life, without a severe breach of etiquette. If the Moon is best suited to play Mother then Love, and everything else designated female, has to be given to Venus. This must include every facet of 'relationships', whether they endure three weeks or sixty years, simply because it is assumed neither has anything to do with the important and Manly business of building empires. Real Men only seem to have been considered party to the kind of couplings that last less than three hours and fall under the jurisdiction of Mars.

Venus opposite Venus will simply not do as significant evidence of a lifelong bond, or even one that has lasted a decade with several children. We need the testimony of something less ephemeral and more real. Venus was called goddess of love when astrologers and their clients were all men and it was a euphemism for sex. (More Venus in Taurus). Modern women have turned the same idea on its head and made her into queen of romance. (More Venus in Libra.) Neither will build a marriage without a lot of help. Considered in general terms men and women probably start with opposite fantasies about what we collectively call love. It is probably not ideal when two individual people have to reconcile Venus in opposing signs, in addition to balancing vastly different cultural, and perhaps even biological, underpinning.

Juno makes up a good portion of the less ephemeral and more real evidence concerning human partnerships. It is very sad but this symbol for Wife is much more likely to indicate real life partnership potential than the symbol for love goddess. Juno is not simply Wife, she also indicates what marriage costs in loss and effort. All of which is pointless without some recompense, which comes with Jupiter, who is more than just Husband. The advantage Pitt and Jolie have sharing life with each other, compared with their previous partners, is that both have Jupiter in Aries. Both have a very similar image of what Husband means. Both have a

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very similar image of what they hope and expect to gain from the efforts they put in. Better still these shared expectations are positive because Jupiter likes fire. He has dignity in Aries but he does not have enough to rule Juno entirely. In terms of their innate characters Aries is actually about the best compromise these two archetypes are likely to find. Juno did not want to marry. Jupiter was keen only until he had achieved his desire, then he wanted something else. Neither of them want Libra!

A major point that is repeatedly missed is that Libra is masculine and cardinal, although it is given to Venus it is the reflection and fruit of Aries. The lower hemisphere forms the individual, the upper fits the developed individual into society. By Libra two individuals, who have theoretically reached an appropriate level of development, have (usually) accepted each other, agreed to play fair and try and work as a team but it is only the beginning. Libra is intent, initiation and adjustment. Consolidation and fusion into one new form will not occur until the impulse is fixed in Scorpio, which is a reflection of Taurus but a Martial process because it involves the creation of a new self. A certain level of self-preservation is necessary and it may need to be reasserted after the Libra phase but Scorpio is also the place where Mars builds after having been softened by Venus. Whether in its day or night sign, Mars suits both Jupiter and Juno better than Venus.

Not only is Jupiter happy in Aries but, as previously noted, Pitt has Mars exalted in Capricorn and in an appropriate house for its expression. This is compatible with Jolie who has Mars in rulership in the tenth. In each case the Jupiter ruler is strong and therefore more likely to show what motivates the Husband (and the pair once they are properly bonded) than to show how he (and they) are constrained.

Whether Pitt knew he wanted children before meeting Jolie or not it should not have been difficult for a man with an Arian Jupiter in the fourth and Mars in Capricorn, in the second, to feel it was very natural to take on the role of provider for a family. This entirely suits her Cancer Venus, Ascendant. Her Jupiter conjunct Moon at the MC may be the symbol of a successful career woman but it also says her husband is involved with the family and her job is a large family, all at once. (Fighting sexual violence at an international level and publically announcing pro-active breast and ovarian surgery are also included here.)

The couple do not have Juno in harmony, which is often a problem. However In the case of already established Hollywood stars it is less likely that either natal Juno will depict what has to be given up in order to form a bond with one's chosen mate. Friends and family, do not often storm out in a huff when you bring Brad home for dinner. Promotion is not threatened because the boss fears Angelina might be an embarrassment at office functions. Someone else shines the bathroom floor, you do not give up your career to do it. Nor travel, nor anything else that can be solved with cash or connections. Juno at this level is more apt to show those things each person has to put in to the partnership to keep it functioning. These particular two people, who are aiming at the same horizon for similar reasons, (Jupiter and his ruler) may perform different tasks with different skills (Juno) along the way and complement each other. They will probably get where they want to go faster than Mr and Mrs Jones, who will have had to sacrifice more at the outset. Ordinary folk with Juno inconjunct Juno are likely to have a problem agreeing on tasks and priorities when time and money are limited. Pitt-Jolie should also do better than two megastars with Juno in harmony but not Jupiter. This reversed situation is the couple who each buy the appropriate gift, order an identical champagne picnic and book jets to fly in the opposite direction.

Billy Bob Thornton also has Juno in Scorpio and therefore his image of Wife is very similar to the one held by Brad, and both are similarly incompatible with the image held by Angelina.

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The difference is that it was much easier for Brad to reconcile the institution of marriage with his own personality. Partnership is a two stage process, first it is necessary to decide if one is suited to it, the second is with whom? If two people have few internal conflicts connected with partnership, so that each wants and is able to make a bond and each wants the same outcome it is then easier to manage the incompatibility of Juno by synastry.

What we also see between Pitt and Jolie is that his seventh is Gemini and will sing along with all her Gemini, which includes Juno. While her seventh will resonate with all his Capricorn. Each supplies a lot of what the other needs for balance and each looks something like they expect their spouse to be. She has Cancer, which will do for his Scorpio Juno. Her tenth house Moon will suit his Capricorn Moon, Venus. His Sun and her Moon are in trined signs, which testing suggests appears to be a good start. Both want the same things out of a partnership in the end. This seems more than enough for two people who start with a reasonable (her) or good (him) internal image of marriage. What has probably made the difference this time is that both have developed a desire for, or compatibility with, family life and both have learned a few things along the way.

Angelina and Billy Bob Thornton married on May 5th 2000 with Juno in Aquarius, (where she is not at her best) conjunct Uranus. They had known each other two months.

Brad and Jennifer Anniston married on July 29th 2000 with Juno in Aquarius, (where she is not at her best) conjunct Uranus.

There has to have been something similar in the prior marriages of each of them. It seems reasonable to assume that the nature of this previous experience gave Pitt and Jolie a point of shared understanding, whether understood and discussed or unconscious, from which to begin developing a new style of bond. If the actual events and reasons for their divorces were very different they are likely still to have had the same quality and subjective impact.

Billy Bob married his sixth wife quietly, after an 11 year relationship on October 22 2014, with Juno and Jupiter in Leo, and the Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus and north node in Libra. Leo suits his natal make up and Libra his progressed. This would be a worrying chart in a young couple, who had no connections with stardom. In this case the relationship must be presumed to have already reached fair and balanced or it would not be going ahead.

Angelina married Brad, in public, on August 23 2014, after a relationship of similar length, with Jupiter in Leo and Juno and Moon in Cancer. They too were actually married quietly, in California, some time before the official wedding because they could not legally be married in France, where the party was. Although the official wedding date was chosen by them, and so should not be discounted, the universe seems to have allowed them a private space to mark what is truly their own.

It is interesting that Billy Bob seems to have taken a similar time to make his own evolutionary journey and he chose to cement his relationship in secret. Strong, mature and tested love does not need the approval of the whole world, it knows its own heart.