



NEW MOON IN CANCER · MONDAY, 27 JUNE 2023

## Pisces

*This ritual is for romance, creativity, and joy.*

Joy is not frivolous — it is the most honest signal your life sends you about where it wants to go.

### PREPARATION

Face south. Arrange your space the way you would arrange it for a night that is entirely your own — something beautiful on the surface, the light soft, nothing harsh or demanding in sight. Let your phone rest somewhere else for the duration of this. Pour a glass of wine or something you genuinely enjoy, and hold it up for a moment as if you are toasting the evening before it has properly begun, then sip with pleasure. Close your eyes and let yourself imagine the most joyful version of your creative and romantic life — not the practical version, the real one — see the colors, feel the touch, hear the sound of your own laughter when it is fully unguarded. Open your eyes only when the image has made you smile at least a little.

### THE RITUAL

Light the **sea green candle** and let its glow fill the space with the quality of light that belongs to evenings when everything feels possible, allowing yourself to settle into **the permission that joy is a legitimate destination**.

Place the **jasmine** flowers or oil near the candle and breathe in the scent with your eyes closed, letting it move through you like the opening notes of a song you have always loved but haven't let yourself dance to yet — this is the scent of **desire that is allowed**.

Hold the **moonstone** in both hands and turn it slowly in the candlelight, watching the light shift across its surface, and let each shift represent one form of creativity or romance or pure delight that you are inviting into your life — name them aloud, **loosely and without apology**.

Set the moonstone down and spend two full minutes doing something entirely creative and purposeless — hum, draw a single line on a piece of paper, move your body slightly to the music — because the body that plays is the body that **attracts what is playful**.

Return to stillness, place both hands over the moonstone, and close the ritual by saying aloud: 'I am available for joy' — not as a wish but as a **declaration of current fact** — then snuff the candle with a breath that carries no heaviness in it.

### YOU WILL NEED

sea green candle

moonstone

jasmine

♪ gentle jazz or sensual acoustic strings