



NEW MOON IN VIRGO · THURSDAY, 25 AUGUST 2023

Pisces

This ritual is about love and close partnerships.

Love does not require perfection — it requires presence, and tonight you are practicing exactly that.

PREPARATION

Face west. Let the room be soft and unhurried — arrange a cloth, move a chair, do one small thing that makes the space feel like it was prepared for two even if only one is present. Silence your phone and let chamber strings or a slow piano hold the space the way a hand holds another hand. Pour a glass of wine or warm tea and before you drink, simply feel it — the warmth, the weight, the way a small comfort can stand in for a much larger one. Close your eyes and bring to mind the partnership you are calling in or tending: not an image from a fantasy but the texture of real closeness — the ease, the particular way that person makes the room feel different. Open your eyes when that feeling has softened your chest rather than tightened it. The ritual begins now.

THE RITUAL

Light the **sea green candle** and let its color remind you that the tenderest things in nature — moss, shallow water, new growth — are also among the most enduring.

Hold the **jasmine** blooms or oil near your face and breathe slowly, letting the scent open something in the chest that has been closed — this flower has always known that **love, partnership, and genuine connection** grow in the softest conditions.

Hold the **moonstone** at the center of your chest with both hands, feeling its cool surface warm beneath your palms, knowing this stone carries the energy of receptivity, of tides, of the pull between two things that belong near each other.

Speak one sentence aloud about the kind of love or partnership you are ready for — not a list of traits, but a feeling: how you want to exist in the presence of another person.

Place the **moonstone** before the **sea green candle** and lay the **jasmine** across it gently, and remain seated in the music until the candle tells you the ritual is complete.

YOU WILL NEED

sea green candle

moonstone

jasmine

♪ chamber strings or soft piano, no lyrics