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# Path Of Light, Vol. 1: Introduction To Vedic Astrology





## Synopsis

In Path of Light, Volume 1: Introduction to Vedic Astrology, James Kelleher presents a comprehensive introduction to science of Jyotish, the astrology of India. The first of a two volume set, Volume 1 covers the principal building blocks of Jyotish, describing the signs, planets, houses and nakshatras in a lucid style. Path of Light s treatment of the Nakshatras delves deeply into the symbolism and mythology of the 27 lunar constellations. It introduces many of the ancient myths and stories related to the nakshatras, opening a largely unexplored goldmine of archetypes, valuable to both advanced and beginning students of Vedic astrology. It also presents 27 original paintings done by a Rajasthani master artist, vividly depicting the nakshatra-related myths in a traditional style. Volume 1 contains a substantive section on the houses of the horoscope, including a methodical treatment of planets and house ruler placements in the houses. This makes the book a valuable reference for any serious student of Jyotish. James Kelleher also provides a free chart calculator on his website (www.jameskelleher.com), which makes all of the material in this book accessible to the beginning student or even the non astrologer. The book is digested wisdom, not just standardized information or New Age fluff. It covers nearly everything the beginning Vedic astrologer would want to know, in both depth and detail. - Dr. David Frawley, author of over 20 books on the vedic sciences.

### **Book Information**

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James Kelleher's "Path of Light" volumes are a worthy and important contribution to Vedic Astrology by a man who has devoted over thirty years of his life to its study and practice. Beginning with the end, his Bibliography is an impressive list of the well and not-so-well known classics of Vedic Astrology that James sources, alongside an equally impressive list of modern authors and their works. To reach for the stars, you have to stand on the shoulders of giants, and James has clearly done his homework and paid his dues. And while there is plenty to love about this book, I will list briefly what makes it one of a kind, and a must-have for beginning, intermediate, and even advanced students of Jyotisha. Some books have some of these features, but none that I know have all of them: 1. Compelling list of Drekkanas and some of their practical applications, based on research and years of trial & error.2. A guided tour through the subcharts that comprehends classic as well as modern techniques (from Parashara to Iyer, and everyone in between)3. A practical depiction of the Nakshatras and their uses, including techniques by Satyacharya and others.4. Detailed lists of Planet & House combinations. Unlike other "cookbooks" that disempower you by listing such combos, James has a knack for making his delineations insightful and instructive, so that you actually learn from reading them. My guess is this is because he is not parroting what other authors have written, but injecting his own experience from real-life charts.5. James opens up his teachings in audio/visual presentations at jameskelleher.com which serve to bolster the information in his books.6.

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