



SYNODIC CYCLES OF VESTA

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☿ The Regular Vesta Synodic Cycle

- Proposed Synodic Cycle of Vesta begins at Opposition to the Sun (Acronychal Rise)
- The start and end of Vesta's Synodic Cycle is when it is visible to the naked eye
- The cycle can last from about 16 months to 17.5 months
- After 21 Synodic Cycles of Vesta, it come very close to exactly 29 years (within 3-7 days)

♄ The Larger "Precess" Cycles of Vesta

- Vesta takes an average of 201 years to precess from one sign to another (from 145 yrs to 261 yrs)
- The 29-year Vesta cycle only shifts by 3-6 degrees in the overtone sign (less degrees generate longer "precess cycles")
- Saturn's position typically falls within 5-6 degrees every 29 years of Vesta's 21 Synodic Cycle calibration

♄ The Return Cycles of Vesta

- How long is a Vesta Return? It is proposed to be as long as it's Synodic Cycle: 16-17 ½ months (**Vesta/Sun Opposition to Vesta/Sun Opposition**)
- A Vesta Return should always be when Vesta comes close to its original position on a person's birthday, but this is not always the case
- Like the inner planets, a Vesta Synodic Cycle can show when a person has Vesta return to its original place on the birth chart close to the birthday
- Vesta Returns take place prior to or during the three Saturn Returns at 29-30, 58 and 87-88
- There are other times when Vesta Returns happen but not as close at ages 11, 18, 40, 51, 69 and 80. (At 11 & 18 will take place near the Jupiter and Nodal Returns respectively)
- With each Synodic Cycle, there is an "Overtone" or the sign is which an Acronychal Rise occurs