



## 2021 Influences and Adjustments for the: Yin Metal Ox

The Chinese solar year runs from Feb. 4, 2021– Feb. 3, 2022. Chinese (Lunar) New Year is **February 12, 2021**. Solar New Year is a fixed date and Lunar New Year is the second new moon after the winter solstice. In traditional feng shui, we have two factors to take into consideration: the **animal year** and the **annual Lo Shu number**. The animal year refers to things that influence you on a personal level. The annual Lo Shu number refers to energetic influences located in specific areas (compass directions) of your home, office, and garden. Working from a position of strength, you can positively influence the type of year you have, by neutralizing negative energies and negative stars, while activating the positive stars.

**2021 is a Yin Metal Ox year. It begins on February 4, 2021 and ends February 3, 2022.**

The Ox is the second animal in the Chinese zodiac, and it is compatible with the Snake and the Rooster. The Rat is a friend as well. The Ox clashes with the Sheep/Goat. 2021 can be a challenging year for people born in Sheep years. People born in Horse, Sheep/Goat or Dragon years may need to give attention to balancing their energy. They may find it excessive or deficient at times.

Each year has specific energies where some months and days are more favorable than others. Your birth year is the “tip of the iceberg” for insights into your personal chart. The animal year represents an overall influence. A Four Pillar analysis or a western astrology reading can provide you a much deeper view into yourself, your cycles, and beneficial aspects.

**We last experienced similar energies 60 years ago, in 1961, which was a year of many contrasts.** JFK was inaugurated as President of the USA, the Peace Corps was formed, the first human (Russian) went into space and Alan Shepard made the first US space flight, construction of the Berlin Wall began, the Freedom Riders tested the desegregation decision of the US Supreme Court, the Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba took place, the UN General Assembly condemned apartheid, Pampers and the IBM “golf ball” typewriter were introduced.

The ox is an animal that is driven by hard work in service to others. It favors a strong and steady approach to situations, is loyal and family oriented. The ox plows ahead, head down. Qualities associated with Ox energy include hard work, perseverance, service to others, compassion, humility, and kindness.

2021 is likely to have a chaotic start and be a transformational year. Financial shifts are expected. We also had these in 2009, the last Ox year, after the crash at the end of 2008. We’re halfway through a 40-year economic reshaping and several significant and rare astrological patterns occurred with the 2020 winter solstice. Although it feels unsettling, it’s all for the best. Unsustainable patterns are continuing to break down to pave the way for changes that will help humanity and our planet.

The **Flying Stars** influence the energy in your house and environment. When activating the Flying Stars, the year begins February 4, 2020 and ends February 3, 2021. Two primary systems are in practice today: Flying Star System I (primary system in use) and Flying Star System II, (not

well documented in popular publications but some say is even more powerful). In the Flying Star I system we are in Period 8 (which influences houses built or renovated from February 4, 2004 through February 3, 2023). In the Flying Star II system, Period 9 was ushered in during 2016 and will continue for the next 20 years. Peg practices Flying Star II taught to her by Gill Hale.

The **Annual Lo Shu** number is the annual number that “flies in” every February. The number for 2021 is 6. Thus “6” is in the middle of the Lo Shu or Magic Square for the year. This number and positioning are used for both Flying Star systems as well as *Nine Star Ki* astrology.

**Pay extra attention to the SE, NE, East, SW and North sectors.**

- 1) The Annual 5 Star is in the SE (112.5-157.5).
- 2) The Grand Duke (Tai Su) is in the NE Ox sector (22.5° - 37.5°).
- 3) The Three Killings (52.5-127.5) is primarily in the East and the first sector of the SE.
- 4) Sui Po (Year Breaker; 202.5° - 127.5°) is in the SW, Sheep sector, opposite the Ox.
- 5) The # 2 Illness star is in the North (337.5 – 22.5).

**Annual Five Star is in the SE**

- Metal keeps this in check. Omit Fire and red.
- Omit noisy activities or remodeling here this year.
- Disturbances can bring disaster, sickness, lawsuits, major financial loss.
- Place Metal and the Salt-Water cure in the SE sector this year.
- Six-rod wind chimes are excellent.

**The Grand Duke (Tai Sui) is in the NE (22.5° - 37.5°)**

- Confronting the Grand Duke can cause obstacles, defeat, demotion, and loss.
- Sit with your back to this sector for support.
- Don't disturb the ground in NE. Six-rod metal wind chimes are the cure if you work here.
- Don't sit facing the 22.5° - 37.5° sector in your office.
- The **traditional cure** is to place a dragon headed tortoise (Pi Yao) in the *opposite* sector of your home or office, facing the Grand Duke.
- Take an accurate reading from the middle of your home to get the 15<sup>0</sup> sector.

**The Three Killings falls in the East, as well as one sector of SE (52.5-127.5)**

- Omit big, noisy renovations or re-decorative work this year.
- Omit major outside groundwork: digging holes, foundation work, noisy equipment
- Disturbances can bring about financial problems, illness, and disagreements.
- Don't sit with your back to this direction.
- It's better to **face this direction**, if it is one of your best personal directions.
- A **six-rod metal wind chime, 6-coins, and a salt-water cure** are excellent additions.
- If your front door faces this sector place a pair of Fu dogs or temple lions just inside the house as protective guardians.

**The Sui Po “Annual Affliction” is opposite the Grand Duke in the SW (202.5° - 217.5°)**

- This is the sector of the Sheep. Add Fire colors for 2021.
- Omit big, noisy renovations or re-decorative work this year.
- Omit major outside groundwork: digging holes, foundation work, noisy equipment
- Place a six-rod metal wind chime if you need to do outside work here.

**Adjust Front Doors where #'s 2 (North), 3 (SW), 5 (SE), or 7 (NW) “Fly In.”** Hang a new bagua mirror outside the house above the front door and other round metal objects inside front door. Toss the bagua mirror out at the end of the year.

### Cleanse Last Year's Cures

- You can cleanse the cures currently in place under the full moon (**Jan 28**) or in four hours of direct sunlight. Sprinkle with salt and let them soak up the moonshine or sunshine. Then rinse under water and place in the appropriate areas.
- Toss all old Salt-Water cures; replace in the 5- and 2-Star sectors (SE, North).
- Toss out last year's Bagua Mirrors used as an annual cure.

Overall, place some good quality metal, along with Salt Water Cures, and a set of "6 coins" in the SE and North this year. I like to hang a set of 6 coins on a doorknob. Take care to omit sharp, menacing objects (such as knives, swords). For SE or North bedrooms, place a wu-lou beside your bed. The West and Center of your home are excellent locations for quartz crystal and "square earthy items" in 2021, to strengthen the beneficial 6 and 8 stars.

**#1 White:** Water star in **South** in 2021. The #1 Water star flies into the South. This benevolent Water star typically has a positive influence career, wealth, education, romance, children, luck, ears, kidneys, blood. Add Metal enhancements and water colors (blue, gray) in the South this year. You can add blue via fabrics, pillows, rugs, curtains, bedding, etc. Minimize Fire energy in the South sector this year. Remove red, pink, purple, and orange (Fire) colors, if you can. If not, just add more blue, gray, and metal. Round shapes and water themes such as waves and ripples can be highly effective. Check your plumbing and repair any leaks.

**#2 Black:** in **North** ... Untimely star and area in 2021. **Keep the North as quiet as possible during 2021 and use a lot of metal**, white, gold, copper, and silver in this area. **Place a salt-water cure here, along with six coins** tied with red ribbon, a **metal singing bowl**, a **metal bell**, round metal objects, a **brass Wu Lou** (gourd), metal objects without sharp points. This star impacts the health of those under its influence (personal Lo Shu 1,3, 4) and is associated with sickness, disease, bad luck, stress, stomach and digestive problems, bloated feelings, gossip, back-stabbing, family unrest. **Omit or minimize red, pink and purple, candles, triangular shapes, bright lights (fire element) in this area.** If your bedroom is in the North, place a brass Wu Lou beside your bed. Bathrooms and storage areas in the North for 2021 are harmless. For North offices a **gold 3-legged toad** or a **wealth god statue** can be used as wealth enhancements.

**#3 Jade:** in **SW** ... Star #3 is an unpredictable star during Period 9. Beware of possible theft, arguments, disputes, hot tempers and legal problems. Take security measures. Remove metal and add Fire energy; metal aggravates the #3 star. Remove all wind chimes, particularly metal, unless you must do outside work. In that case, hang a wind chime while you do the outside work. Use red decorative objects, (red, pink, purple, triangles, people, and animals) candles, lamps, lights, a lamp on a wooden stand with a peach or red shade, a red candle, a red Buddha or a red dragon, red Fu dogs. Hang a red crystal from ceiling fans in this sector. A red rug or floor mat and Fu dogs are excellent for front doors. Also hang a **bagua mirror** if you have a SW facing entrance. Metal color is OK, if you already have it. Carefully check all documents before signing if your office is located here. Remove water features, if possible.

During 2021, the **Sui Po** is also located here and can bring problems if disturbed. **Treat the SW cautiously for this reason.** Avoid groundbreaking and renovations in this sector for 2021. If you renovate, hang a six-rod hollow metal windchime and begin on an auspicious date. Keep main doors and offices in this area as quiet as possible. If your bedroom is here, add some blue or black to enhance health. If you must do renovations or repairs, the best months are February, May, June, July, September, and November.

**#4 Green:** in the **East**. This star governs romance, travel, creative and academic/educational/self-

development, wisdom, and intelligence. This is a very nice manifestation area for 2021 and a great place for your Vision Board and photos of loved ones. A blue Kuan Yin helps to enhance conceiving children, relationships, and career. Add flowers, blue items, crystals, 4 stalks of lucky bamboo in water, leafy, green plants, or a pagoda. A “still” water feature is favorable for 2021 (such as stalks of bamboo, or fresh flowers, in clean water and a blue, gray, or black vase. A bowl of fresh water also works.). Nice placement for Mandarin ducks or a dragon headed tortoise to enhance romance. To enhance academics, add a calligraphy set or an abacus. Omit the fire element and red, pink, or purple and heavy metal, including wind chimes. Also minimize the colors white and silver. If you cannot remove these colors, add some blue or black. Add some green to enhance wealth. A main door in this sector can bring in new opportunities and lots of travel.

During 2021, the **Three Killings** affliction is also located here and can bring problems if disturbed. **Treat the East cautiously for this reason.** Avoid groundbreaking and renovations in this sector for 2021. If you renovate, hang a six-rod hollow metal wind chime and begin on an auspicious date. Keep main doors and offices in this area as quiet as possible. If your bedroom is here, add some blue or black to enhance health.

A traditional annual cure for the Three Killings is to place the **Three Celestial/Divine Guardians** in this sector, facing the direction, a Pi Yao (wealth protector), Fu Dogs (protection against accidents, and a Chi Lin (Chinese unicorn to protect relationships).

**#5 Yellow:** is in the **SE** for 2021. A challenging, unstable area in 2021. Adjust and keep this area quiet...no major renovations or disturbances. This is a volatile star, and it has a malevolent influence when disturbed. It can bring disaster, lawsuits, sickness and major loss of wealth. In 2021 remove red and yellow items, as well as minimize Fire and Earth elements in the SE. Re-balance with plenty of good quality metal. Cleanse your cures from last year prior to putting them in place. Stillness and metal cures keep this area in check. **Place the salt-water cure and metal objects here:** six-rod wind chimes, a pendulum clock, **six Chinese coins**, round metal objects, brass wu-lou, brass dragon (for bedrooms), metal decorations, gray, white and gold colors. If your main door is here, hang a **bagua mirror**. Omit noise and renovations here this year. Omit red and minimize the Fire element (i.e., candles, bright lights), since they aggravate this star. White, silver, gold and copper are helpful additions. Dark blue and black can also be used. Grey, blue and white are great temporary colors in bedrooms located in this sector. Cleanse all cures from previous years. Replace the Salt-Water cure annually. Replace your bagua mirror if you have one here outside your front door. **If you must do renovations in this area, inside or out, the best months are May, July, September, and December.**

**#6 White:** in the **Center**. This is a compassionate money star that influences career, wealth, politicians, leaders and anyone in the jewelry or real estate/property business. It's trapped in the Center for 2021. To activate it, **add Earth cures for 2021.** Earth colors (yellow, brown, beige) are good in this area, along with quartz crystals, faceted crystal spheres, gold and other metal. Metal energy (“six coins” are excellent) will help to activate this star. The annual #6 star located in a bedroom can aggravate problems with liver and legs. If these are problem areas for you, add water colors to your bedroom (blue, black, gray or charcoal) to minimize aggravation, A blue painting, but not a water scene, is beneficial in bedrooms. Real quartz crystal and round faceted crystal spheres are also beneficial in this sector for 2021. Avoid Fire colors (red, pink, purple, orange) and don't light candles in the Center during 2021 if you have lung issues.

**#7 Red:** in the **NW**. Star #7 carries a negative influence. Keep the NW of your home as quiet as you can this year. Beware of unscrupulous people working against you. Use **Water colors (black, blue, gray)** to balance the double metal energies in 2021 for protection against legal

issues, arguments, disputes, robbery, deception, copyright theft, gossip, backstabbing and loss of wealth. Hang a feng shui flute. Affiliated health problems are related to the lungs, asthma, and COPD. Check smoke alarms and electronics. If your office or bedroom is in the NW, add some royal blue, blue, gray, black or charcoal. **Omit (or at least minimize) Fire colors**, red, candles, metal wind chimes, moving fans. Also remove Earth items, the color yellow (beige and brown too) and crystals. A blue elephant or rhinoceros are fine additions here. Take precautions and extra security measures if you have a main door here in 2021. Hang a bagua mirror for NW entrances. Do not add yellow or hang wind chimes.

**#8 White: in West.** This is a primary wealth star. The number 8 star typically brings good fortune and wealth when properly activated or balanced. It is weakened a bit during 2021 being situated in the West. Open doors and windows to bring in fresh air and yang energy. Omit clutter. Activate this area with crystals spheres, quartz and amethyst crystals, a three-legged toad, two rose quartz hearts, or a dragon and phoenix statue. **Omit red colors, candles, and the Fire element, as well as heavy metal and wind chimes.** Crystals, amethyst are beneficial for bedrooms located in the West in 2021 to strengthen Earth element that governs Star #8, along with Mandarin Ducks.

**#9 Purple: in NE.** This is the Period 9 star of wealth from 2017 - 2036. During 2021, enhance the NE for career opportunities, promotions, studies, and relationships. The Fire quality of this star is weakened by the Earth element of the home position of the #8 Star, as well as by the Grand Duke. The Three Immortals and fresh flowers are effective enhancements. Add a Kuan Yin statue for harmonious relationships. This star strengthens fame, acknowledgement, self-growth and self-improvement. A gold abacus is a nice office enhancement. Include leafy green plants, blue flowering plants such as violet, fresh flowers. During 2021, the NE is a great spot for a trinity of **three Chinese coins tied together with a red ribbon in a triangle shape.**

**The Grand Duke resides in the NE in 2021 in compass position (22.5° - 37.5°).** Confronting the Grand Duke results in defeat, demotion, loss, and obstacles. **Avoid sitting facing this sector.** It is preferable to sit with your back to this sector. Avoid renovations in this compass sector during 2021, if possible. **If your building faces this sector do not renovate this year.** Do not disturb the ground facing 22.5° - 37.5° during 2021. If you do, hang a six-rod metal windchime and select an auspicious date to begin. Placing the Three Immortals in this area facing 22.5° - 37.5° is a nice addition to the NE to appease the Grand Duke.

**Best Colors for 2021:** Blue, Gold and Green.

**Best Travel Directions for 2021:** W, NW, and SW

**Outside Water for 2021 ...** Place in (or face) West, SW or East for 2021.

**Indoor Water for 2021 ...** Best area is #8 star in West for 2021.

Note: **Three Immortals:** three wise men Fuk, Luk and Sau are the gods of good fortune, health and happiness. They support wealth, health and longevity. They also help to enhance relationships with partners and children. Place them in a room to help clear negative influences, arguments, and illness. Typically place in the area of the #9 star.

**Three Guardians:** three celestial protectors (a Pi Yao, a Chi Lin and a Fu Dog) ...used to suppress the Three Killings affliction that can contribute to obstacles and setbacks, monetary loss, and mishaps and accidents. Typically place in the sector of the #7 star.





## 2021 ... # 6 Lo Shu Year in Period 9

### Factors to Consider by Sector

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>5 Earth</b> <b>SE</b> (112.5 – 157.5) <b>Annual 5 Affliction</b></p> <p>#5 Star of Misfortune. Avoid renovations. Add good quality Metal. Place <b>Salt Water cure</b>, 6 rod metal wind chimes, a pendulum clock, brass <b>Wu Lou</b> or gold gourd and 6 Chinese coins tied with red ribbon. <b>Bagua mirror</b> for main entrances. <b>Remove red and yellow items</b> and candles, use dark blue, black, charcoal gray, white, silver, gold, copper. Add: round metal dog bowl, metal weights, and a metal dragon. A pendulum chiming clock is a good cure. May, July, Sept, Dec are the best months in 2021.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>1 Water</b> <b>South</b> (157.5 – 202.5)</p> <p>#1 Star of Future Prosperity. The #1 star positively influences career, new opportunities, financial gains, and academic achievements. Health-wise it influences the ears, kidneys and blood. Add metal and <b>avoid</b> fire colors and candles. Blue, black and grey are great colors to add this year, along with water cures. Place a brass Wu-Lou in bedrooms. Check plumbing and repair any leaks.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>3 + Wood</b> <b>SW</b> (202.5 – 247.5) <b>Sui Po in 2021 202.5 -217.5</b></p> <p>#3 Star of Arguments. Keep quiet, except for a light or candle. Add Fire, red Buddha, red Kuan Yin, red candle, bright lights, red floor mat, a lamp on a wooden stand with a red shade, Fu dogs. <b>Omit Metal, wind chimes</b>, water features, a spinning fan. Hang a <b>bagua mirror</b> for SW facing entrances. Upgrade security. Beware of backstabbing or being caught off-guard or by surprise. Be careful signing documents in offices. Avoid digging. Best months for repairs or outside work are Feb, May, June, July, Sept., and Nov.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>4 -Wood</b> <b>East</b> (67.5 – 112.5) <b>Three Killings in 2021 52.5 – 127.5</b></p> <p>#4 Star of Intelligence and Romance. Enhance for romance, creativity, travel, academic pursuits, writing, and offices. Activate with a <b>blue kuan yin</b>, yin water (a bowl of clean, still water) or blue, black objects. Add (blue) flowers, 4 stalks lucky bamboo, leafy plants, brass abacus, blue and black, Mandarin Ducks, Dragon and Phoenix. <b>Omit/reduce</b> fire, heavy metal: white, silver, red, pink, purple.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>6 +Metal</b></p> <p>#6 Star of Heaven. Can aggravate liver and legs in bedrooms. Add yellow, beige, brown and gold. Also activate with <b>6 coins</b>. Add blue or black to bedrooms, yin water, a water scene (not in bedrooms), and avoid adding the color red. <b>Add real Quartz, crystal spheres. Balance with Earth cures in 2021. Avoid Fire colors and candles.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>8 Earth</b> <b>West</b> (247.5 – 292.5)</p> <p>#8 Star of Wealth in Period 8, fading Wealth in Period 9. Supportive of good fortune, romance, and wealth. <b>Activate for good fortune. Omit clutter. Add quartz and crystals.</b> Mandarin ducks are also good. Omit Fire element, red, candles. heavy metal. Hang a flute. Use quartz crystals, amethyst, rose quartz, mandarin ducks.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>9 Fire</b> <b>NE</b> (22.5 – 67.5)</p> <p>#9 Star of Current Prosperity until 2036. Three Immortals statue is beneficial. Add <b>kuan yin</b>, leafy, green plants, fresh flowers, violet flowers, 3-legged toad, coins, 3 Chinese coins tied with a red ribbon, a gold abacus to offices, Amethyst crystals. Wealth enhancers.</p> <p><b>2021 Grand Duke 22.5 – 37.5: do not face.</b> Omit digging or renovating front doors located in this sector. Hang a wind chime if you need to do repair work here.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2 Earth</b> <b>North</b> (337.5 – 22.5)</p> <p><b>#2 Star of Illness.</b> Untimely star. Leave as much alone as you can. Hang a <b>bagua mirror</b> if main door is here. <b>Place Salt Water cure</b>, 6 Chinese coins, brass <b>Wu-Lou</b> gourd in bedrooms, lots of metal, metal singing bowl, etc. Avoid red, pink, purple, fiery energy, triangles. <b>Remove candles</b> and bright lights. Gourd is a classic cure for #2 Star to protect against illness. Add white, silver, gold, copper, other metal to décor. <b>Gold 3-legged toad</b> enhances offices.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>7 – Metal</b> <b>NW</b> (292.5 – 337.5)</p> <p>#7 Star of Misfortune &amp; Robbery. <b>Omit</b> Earth, Fire, red, <b>candles</b>, quartz crystals, metal wind chimes. Add more black, gray, <b>blue</b>, a <b>blue Rhino</b>, a blue round faceted lead-glass crystal sphere. Place <b>3 Guardians. Keep area still.</b> Guard against fires in kitchens. Remove wind chimes. Balance with Water cures for 2021.</p>

**Three Killings:** can influence financial loss, illness, arguments. Avoid sitting with your back to this area. Don't disturb the ground. If you must dig, begin elsewhere. In 2021, Three Killings falls into the **East (52.5 – 127.5)**. Place the 3 Celestial/Divine Guardians in this sector facing the direction. If your front door faces **East**, place a pair of Fu dogs just inside the front door looking outwards as protective guardian for the year. Hang a 6-rod wind chime betw. building and area of work before doing outside work or repairs here.

**Grand Duke (Jupiter):** Do not sit facing this direction. You never "confront" the Grand Duke. You are better off sitting with your back to it and getting the support of the Grand Duke. The Grand Duke can influence loss, defeat, obstacles. Your personal grand duke is the direction of your animal year. Hang a 6-rod wind chime before doing ground-breaking work here. Avoid sitting facing this direction. It is better to sit with your back to this direction. In 2021 the Grand Duke is in **NE 22.5 – 37.5**.

**Sui Po:** Year breaker, animal sign opposite the Grand Duke. Do not disturb (**SW 202.5 – 217.5, Sheep sector**). Hang a 6-rod wind chime before doing ground-breaking work here.