

SIGNS OF TRUE LOVE FOR IDEAL PARTNERS

PRINCESS Diana plotted her romance with Dodi Al Fayed by studying Chinese astrology.

Diana became fascinated with Chinese horoscopes after meeting Dr Lily Hua Yu. And to her delight she discovered that she and Dodi were "compatible".

According to the Chinese horoscope, which is divided into 12 animal signs, Diana was born in the Year Of The Ox, 1961, while Dodi — whose birth date was April 15, 1955 — was born in the Year Of The Ram.

Chinese astrologers believe that the combination of these two powerful animal signs can form an ideal partnership. Man-Lo Kwok, author of *Chinese Astrology*:



Diana: The Year of The Ox

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Dodi: The Year of The Ram

FULL of fanciful ideas and good intentions, Dodi charmed Diana — and she offered him love and stability.

Forecasting Your Future Through The Chinese Horoscope, says in his book: "In this partnership, the sensible and reliable ox offers the ram stability, and in return the ram is often full of ideas and imaginings which will charm the ox.

"If anything, the ox might be just a little too set in his or her ways, and this could somewhat dampen the ram's fanciful ideas.

"However, the ram usually has good intentions and this is appreciated by the ox."

People born in the Year Of The Ox "thrive on strong love and support".

Diana's animal sign meant that in the search for a compatible relationship, she had to tread carefully because she was easily hurt.

The moment Diana knew she had lost her Charles for ever

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PRINCESS Diana slumped back into her chair as she turned over the Sunday newspapers.

Staring at her from the front pages was the smiling face of Camilla Parker Bowles, arriving at a lavish party thrown by Prince Charles for her 60th birthday.

It was the moment when the Princess finally realised she had been outmanoeuvred by Prince Charles's mistress.

Remarkably, despite her divorce 11 months before, Diana had revealed to her friend Dr Lily Hua Yu that she was still in love with her former husband.

And, as she poured out her feelings for him in Dr Lily's wood-paneled office, the Princess made it clear that she believed they could rekindle their relationship.

Dr Lily says: "She said that if she had a chance to start the relationship again, it could work. It was very much on her mind. I remember she talked to me twice about it.

"She said she had been too young when they married — that was the problem. But now she was more mature and she felt it could work, if only she had a chance."

But Diana's dream collapsed that Sunday morning last July, just hours after she returned from a holiday with her sons at Mohamed Al Fayed's villa in St Tropez.

Radiant Camilla, pictured as her car disappeared through the gates of Prince Charles's country estate, Highgrove, was smothered in jewellery.

She wore a necklace of five diamond daisies, a huge diamond ring on her engagement finger and a £100,000 bracelet — said to be Prince Charles's birthday gift to his lover.

Diana was devastated. Dr Lily, a consultant in Chinese medicine says: "It was like a knife through her heart. Until that point, she thought she had a chance with Charles, but seeing Camilla in that picture, she knew she did not.

"I was seeing her once a week then, and I could tell she was suffering. She felt so let down."

THE following day, Monday July 21, Diana bravely hid her torment when she visited leukaemia patients at a new children's unit.

Then she flew by private jet to Milan for a memorial service for Versace's murdered fashion guru Gianni Versace.

Within weeks, she plunged into an affair with Dodi Al Fayed, the wealthy 42-year-old son of Harrods owner Mohamed.

Diana's secret longing for Prince Charles's demolished reports that she was at war with her ex-husband.

Her words to Dr Lily echo a conversation she had that month with Tina Brown, British editor of the *New*



PAIN: Dr Lily saw Diana's suffering at first hand. Picture: ROGER ALLEN

Yorker magazine. Over lunch, Diana told her she was disappointed that she would never become Queen.

She added: "We would have been the best team in the world. I could shake hands until the cows come home. And Charles could make serious speeches. But it was not to be."

Caring Diana had become fascinated by Chinese medicine. She had pored over books of the traditional art to find remedies to help cure Charles's aches and pains, and regularly consulted Dr Lily with her findings.

Dr Lily says: "Prince Charles

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always had hot, sweaty hands and he always wanted the windows open. He preferred to be in cool places. And he was losing his hair.

"The Princess wanted to try some of the remedies on him.

"In Chinese terms, some of his symptoms may have been caused by an imbalance of Ying and Yang — two opposing but complementary forces which must balance to maintain good health. This can be related to a kidney malfunction."

Diana's interest in Chinese medicine and herbalism — alternative therapies traditionally associated with Prince Charles — grew as she continued her secret visits to see Dr Lily.

When she heard that the clinic's director, Prof Man Fong Mei, was planning to build an extension of the AcuMedic Centre, where Dr Lily works, she told him she wanted to perform the official opening.

And shortly before she died, the Princess talked excitedly to Dr Lily about a plan to visit Hong Kong and China to study Chinese culture.

She was equally keen to find an

arthritis cure for South Africa's President Nelson Mandela. Diana had met her hero in March 1996 when she was invited to his private residence in Cape Town.

And after arriving back from her visit to South Africa — where she had stayed with her brother, Earl Spencer — she went straight to the clinic.

Prof Mei adds: "Her recommendation to Nelson Mandela to visit us for the treatment of his swollen arthritic arms — citing a Chinese kidney deficiency syndrome — demonstrated her knowledge and confidence in Chinese medicine."

"The Princess was very much a friend of Chinese medicine. She found a system which took care of her health and gave her confidence and strength."

Diana gave up designer face creams in favour of a £6.50 pot of Chinese complexion cream which is sold by the clinic.

She was recommended to consult AcuMedica by a friend after trying scores of alternative therapies, including colonic irrigation, holistic massage, astrology and reflexology.

THE clinic in Camden High Street, North London, is far removed from the Knightsbridge salons she used to haunt.

But Dr Lily is known as one of the leaders in her field, and she and Prof Mei also run postgraduate courses for British GPs.

For a year-and-a-half up until her death last August, Diana kept regular appointments with Dr Lily. She treated the exhausted Princess for insomnia, stress and digestive disorders caused by the slimming disease bulimia.

Their last meeting was on Thursday August 21 — 10 days before Diana's fatal car crash.

On her first visit, Dr Lily examined her tongue and wrist pulses and

asked her about her medical history. Chinese medicine practitioners believe the tongue is a map of the whole body.

Dr Lily agreed to speak to *The Mirror* after becoming increasingly distressed by inaccurate reports about the Princess, particularly about her relationship with Prince Charles.

Far from being depressed and lonely, Diana emerged from her treatment at the clinic a happy, confident, healthy woman, says Dr Lily.

Last Christmas, she turned up in reception laden with a Harrods food hamper for Dr Lily and the staff at the clinic.

DR MEI says: "The Princess would happily wait for her appointment. She would move her legs to the side so people could get by, but they would always get a shock when they looked at her.

"People used to do a double-take on the stairs if they passed her. Other patients would turn around and say: 'Was that really Princess Diana?' Then they would want to have their treatment done in the room she used."

Diana refused to give up her visits, even though she was photographed leaving the clinic after one of her sessions.

"We were horrified," says Dr Mei. "The day after the picture appeared in the newspaper, the clinic was bombarded by reporters.

"I telephoned her at Kensington Palace to apologise, but she was fine. She was more worried about us.

"She said: 'Don't worry, I know how to handle the media. Let me help you.'"

As well as the official brochure of the auction of Diana's dresses in New

She corrected my spelling

York, Dr Lily still treasures many reminders of the Princess.

In exchange for lessons in Chinese medicine from Dr Lily, Diana would trawl through the consultant's lecture notes for her postgraduate teaching courses, correcting grammar and spelling mistakes.

Her alterations and unmistakable handwriting are still evident in the pages of the file.

But it is a fist-sized lump of rose quartz, sitting in a pot on Dr Lily's glass table, that symbolises Diana's caring nature.

Picking up the rock, Dr Lily says: "The Princess gave this to a friend a long time ago when she was ill, saying she hoped it would bring her protection and support."

"It was typical of the kind of thing she would do.

"But when the Princess died, that friend brought it to me — to bring me protection and support after I lost my friend, Diana."