

# The Traditional Associations of Virgo

**DATES**  
24 August – 22 September

**THE ORIGIN**  
Nidaba, Egyptian goddess of grain, was probably the original of the Virgin (the Egyptian harvest began when the Moon was in this constellation). In Sumeria the figure, far from being a virgin, was that of the Great Mother, whose daughter was sometimes the guardian of the harvest



**RULING PLANET**  
Mercury

**Oak leaf and acorns**

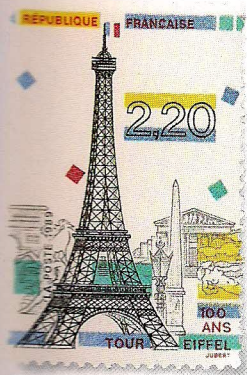


**TREES**  
Because of Mercury's shared rulership, all nut-bearing trees (as with Gemini) – not solely edible nuts, however



**Cardamom**

**HERBS AND SPICES**  
Those associated with Gemini, again because of the link through Mercury



**COUNTRIES**  
Greece, the West Indies, Turkey, the state of Virginia, USA, Brazil, Crete, Yugoslavia, Mesopotamia, Lower Silesia

**CITIES**  
Boston, Heidelberg, Paris, Athens, Lyons, Corinth, most spas and health resorts

**Yellow archangel**



**Alkanet**



**FLOWERS**  
All brightly colored, small flowers: particularly with blue or yellow colors; many of those attributed to Gemini



**Forget-me-not**

**POSITIVITY/GENDER**  
Negative, feminine

**TRIPPLICITY OR ELEMENT**  
Earth

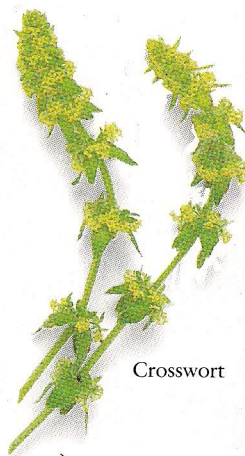
**QUADRUPPLICITY OR QUALITY**  
Mutable

**BODY AREA**  
The nervous system, stomach and intestines

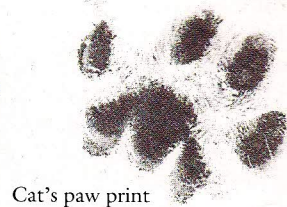
**Buttercup**



**Cat's ear**

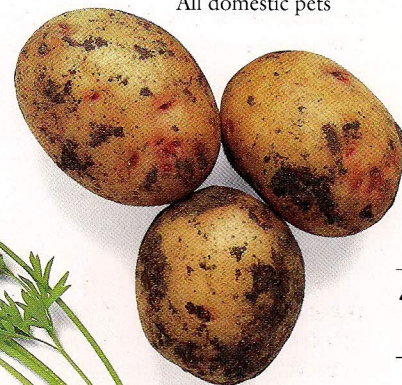


**Crosswort**



**Cat's paw print**

**ANIMALS**  
All domestic pets



**Potatoes**



**Kohlrabi**

**Celeriac**

**Carrots**

**FOODSTUFFS**  
Vegetables grown under the earth, and also those ruled by Gemini

