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In Chinese metaphysics, feng shui remains an intriguing and culturally rich practice. As we step into the Year of the Dragon, a symbol of power and prosperity in Chinese astrology, its significance is not just limited to traditions but extends to our understanding of our cosmic environment. The Year of the Dragon, which begins on February 10, marks the beginning of a new cosmic cycle.

Feng shui, sometimes misinterpreted as superstition, is deeply rooted in the observation of celestial patterns and their influences on Earth. The “Liu Nian,” or annual feng shui cycle, examines how changes in the cosmic environment, particularly within our solar system, affect Earth’s geomagnetic field. This year, the dragon’s energy, viewed through the feng shui lens, provides a unique perspective on environmental impacts that go beyond folklore.

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“If handled properly, you can benefit greatly from feng shui,” says Su Bocheng, a full-time feng shui consultant based in Shanghai. He describes feng shui as a combination of Chinese philosophy, environmental science, and meteorology, supported by geography, astronomy, and human physiology.

In feng shui, Jupiter’s orbit, which shifts by 30 degrees annually, affects Earth’s energy dynamics. Completing a full 360-degree cycle over 12 years, it aligns with the Chinese zodiac’s 12 animals, with each year having its own unique energies.

During the Dragon Year, this annual movement brings Jupiter into the southeast position, a location known as the Tai Sui or Grand Duke Jupiter.

In other words, Jupiter in feng shui represents the Tai Sui. Wherever Jupiter is located at a given time, that specific position is referred to as the Tai Sui position for that period.

This position is approached with reverence and caution in feng shui, suggesting minimal disturbance to its potent energy field. When Jupiter occupies this position, its formidable energy is believed to bring about significant changes. Ancient wisdom holds a belief: “Offend Tai Sui, and misfortune follows.”

Jupiter’s southeast energy field has a direct impact on the northwest, known as the “Sui Po” or Year Breaker location, which feng shui interprets as forceful and disruptive.

Why is Jupiter so influential? Jupiter is the solar system’s largest planet, with a mass 318 times that of Earth and a volume 1,321 times greater. Its gravitational heft translates into a significant impact on Earth.