Sky this Month

March 2025

MOON

NEW MOON

• The New Moon is on March 29th at 6:58 a.m.

This month's New Moon is called the New Pink Moon

March 29th is also a partial solar eclipse at 5:30 AM

Peterborough too far west to see it.

Type: moon Magnitude: 6.07

Absolute Magnitude: 50.75

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 0h33m3.76s/+3°41'58.0" •RA/Dec (on date): 0h34m21.64s/+3°50'19.6" Hour angle/DE: 17h39m54.14s/+3°50'19.6"

Az/Alt: +83°44'40.8"/-0°54'15.3"

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +9°02'58.9"/+0°07'19.7" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +9°24'07.9"/+0°07'24.2"

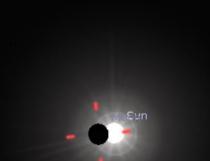
Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +114°02'32.4"/-58°51'17.2"

Mean Sidereal Time: 18h14m15.7s Apparent Sidereal Time: 18h14m15.8s Distance: 0.002398AU (358733.413 km) Apparent diameter: +0°33'17.9" Sidereal period: 27.32 days (0.075 a)

Sidereal day: 655h43m11.5s Mean solar day: 708h44m2.8s Phase Angle: +179°35'10" Elongation: +0°24'46"

Phase: 0.00 Illuminated: 0.0%





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• The New Moon is on March 29th at 6:58 a.m.

 The planets Venus, Saturn and Mercury are just west of the sun.

Type: moon Magnitude: 5.67

Absolute Magnitude: 50.35

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 0h33m16.16s/+3°43'39.7" RA/Dec (on date): 0h34m34.04s/+3°52'01.3" Hour angle/DE: 17h45m8.25s/+3°52'01.3"

Az/Alt: +84°38'21.6"/+0°02'50.7"

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +9°06'29.6"/+0°07'40.2" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +9°27'38.6"/+0°07'44.7"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +114°08'54.8"/-58°50'01.9"

Mean Sidereal Time: 18h19m42.3s Apparent Sidereal Time: 18h19m42.3s Distance: 0.002397AU (358622.036 km) Apparent diameter: +0°33'18.6" Sidereal period: 27.32 days (0.075 a)

Sidereal day: 655h43m11.5s Mean solar day: 708h44m2.8s Phase Angle: +179°31'55" Elongation: +0°28'01"

Phase: 0.00 Illuminated: 0.0%





FULL MOON

• The full Moon is on March 14th, at 6:55 AM. right before moonset.

This month's Full Moon is called the Worm Moon.

Moonrise on is at 6:50 PM on March 13th.

Type: moon

Magnitude: -12.18 (extincted to: -7.85)

Absolute Magnitude: 32.25

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 11h25m20.94s/+4°07'34.4" RA/Dec (on date): 11h26m38.76s/+3°59'16.9" Hour angle/DE: 17h44m58.90s/+4°20'12.2" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +84°16'36.1"/+0°20'54.3" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +170°25'05.3"/+0°21'31.1" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +170°46'11.6"/+0°21'33.6"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: -102°36'36.6"/+59°09'34.2"

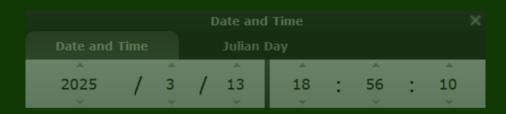
Mean Sidereal Time: 5h10m12.0s Apparent Sidereal Time: 5h10m12.1s Distance: 0.002678AU (400697.360 km) Apparent diameter: +0°29'48.7" Sidereal period: 27.32 days (0.075 a)

Sidereal day: 655h43m11.5s Mean solar day: 708h44m2.8s Phase Angle: +2°51'32" Elongation: +177°08'00"

Phase: 1.00

Illuminated: 99.9%





• The full Moon is on March 14th, at 6:55 AM. right before moonset.

This month's Full Moon is called the Worm Moon.

Type: **moon**

Magnitude: -12.18 (extincted to: -11.09)

Absolute Magnitude: 32.25

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 11h41m31.62s/+1°13'55.9" RA/Dec (on date): 11h42m49.11s/+1°05'33.6" Hour angle/DE: 5h28m44.04s/+1°11'08.8" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +265°22'24.6"/+6°25'01.9" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +175°16'21.2"/-0°42'15.2" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +175°37'27.2"/-0°42'14.5"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10

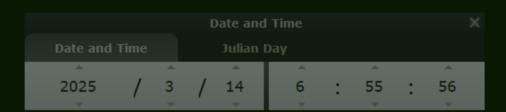
Galactic longitude/latitude: -92°54'34.7"/+59°08'58.8"

Mean Sidereal Time: 17h11m55.8s
Apparent Sidereal Time: 17h11m55.9s
Distance: 0.002681AU (401121.870 km)
Apparent diameter: +0°29'46.8"

Sidereal day: 655h43m11.5s Mean solar day: 708h44m2.8s

Elongation: +178°20'02' Phase: 1.00 (Full Moon) Illuminated: 100.0%





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BLOOD MOON ECLIPSE

Blood Moon Total Lunar Eclipse

 On March 14th, at midnight marks the start of a 6-hour total lunar eclipse.

• The penumbral or outer shadow phase last over 1 hour. Visually there is not much difference in lunar brightness.

 There will a yellowing of the Moon just before the Umbral Stage.

Type: moon

Magnitude: -12.20 (extincted to: -12.02)

Absolute Magnitude: 32.25

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 11h32m42.40s/+2°55'45.9" RA/Dec (on date): 11h34m0.05s/+2°47'3.9"

Hour angle/DE: 22h42m45.08s/+2°48'22.2" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +152°04'41.4"/+45°08'15.2" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +172°34'37.8"/-0°01'03.7" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +172°55'44.0"/-0°01'02.0"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: -98°20'15.2"/+59°20'18.9"

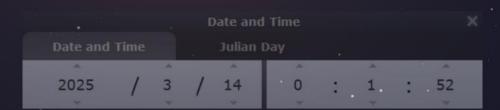
Mean Sidereal Time: 10h16m43.7s Apparent Sidereal Time: 10h16m43.8s Distance: 0.002652AU (396690.384 km) Apparent diameter: +0°30'06.8" Sidereal period: 27.32 days (0.075 a)

Sidereal day: 655h43m11.5s Mean solar day: 708h44m2.8s Phase Angle: +0°53'44" Elongation: +179°06'07"

Phase: 1.00 (Full Moon) Illuminated: 100.0%

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Blood Moon Total Lunar Eclipse

• On March 14th, at midnight marks the start of a 6-hour total lunar eclipse.

The Umbral stage starts at 1:09 AM and lasts 3 hours.

Type: moon

Magnitude: -12.13 (extincted to: -11.95)

Absolute Magnitude: 32.33

RA/Dec (12000.0): 11h34m9.28s/+2°36'56.3" RA/Dec (on date): 11h35m26.90s/+2°28'35.8"

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Az/Alt: +179°35'54.1"/+48°11'26.7" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +173°01'59.8"/-0°09'47.1"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Salactic longitude/latitude: -97°24'12.6"/+59°17'38.4"

Mean Sidereal Time: 11h34m22.5s Apparent Sidereal Time: 11h34m22.5s Distance: 0.002651AU (396582.786 km) Apparent diameter: +0°30'07.3" Sidereal period: 27.32 days (0.075 a)

Sidereal day: 655h43m11.5s Mean solar day: 708h44m2.8s

Elongation: +179°28'39" Phase: 1.00 (Full Moon) Illuminated: 100.0%













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Blood Moon Total Lunar Eclipse

• On March 14th, at midnight marks the start of a 6-hour total lunar eclipse.

Full eclipse starts at 2:26 AM and lasts 1 hour.

From 3:30 AM to 4:30 AM is the reverse partial Umbral Stage

Moon exits Earth's Penumbra shadow at 6:00 AM.

Type: moon

Magnitude: -5.50 (extincted to: -5.32)

Absolute Magnitude: 38.96

RA/Dec (on date): 11h36m42.59s/+2°11'56.7" Hour angle/DE: 1h05m38.65s/+2°12'53.2" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +203°44'36.9"/+45°28'49.7" (apparent)

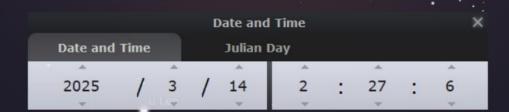
Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +173°25'57.0"/-0°17'35.9" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +173°47'03.1"/-0°17'34.5"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10" Zavijava Galactic longitude/latitude: -96°35'13.: +59°14'47.7"

Apparent Sidereal Time: 12h42m22.4s Distance: 0.002653AU (396892.944 km) Sidereal period: 27.32 days (0.075 a) Mean solar day: 708h44m2.8s

Phase Angle: +0°19'38" Elongation: +179°40'18" Phase: 1.00 (Full Moon) Illuminated: 100.0%





MERCURY

• On March 1st, Mercury, the Moon and Venus share a wide triple conjunction in the western sky at sunset.

Mercury is low on the western horizon at sunset

Type: planet

Magnitude: -0.11 (extincted to: 0.92)

Absolute Magnitude: 31:27

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 23h50m14.73s/-0°34'25.0" RA/Dec (on date): 23h51m32.06s/-0°26'01.9" Hour angle/DE: 5h20m40.84s/-0°20'40.4" (apparent

Az/Alt: +262°51'12.7"/+6°46'32.5" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +357°32'03.7"/+0°26'36.4" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +357°53'08.0"/+0°26'36.5"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10'

Galactic longitude/latitude: +91°27'12.8"/-59°39'07.9'

Mean Sidereal Time: 5h12m34.4s
Apparent Sidereal Time: 5h12m34.5s
Distance: 1.089AU (162.954 Mio km)
Apparent diameter: +0°00'06.2"
Sidereal period: 87.97 days (0.241 a
Sidereal day: 1407h30m33.8s
Mean solar day: 4222h27m52.5s

Elongation: +16°14'47

Phase: 0.7

Illuminated: 72.29





• On March 1^{st,} Mercury sets at 9:25 p.m. in the western sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -0.11 (extincted to: 4.58)

Absolute Magnitude: 31.28

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 23h50m23.69s/-0°33'03.1" RA/Dec (on date): 23h51m41.02s/-0°24'40.0" Hour angle/DE: 5h59m2.86s/-0°02'13.1" (apparent) Az/Alt: +269°48'26.0"/+0°08'40.5" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +357°34'39.6"/+0°26'58.1" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +357°55'43.9"/+0°26'58.3"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +91°32'23.8"/-59°38'57.7"

Mean Sidereal Time: 5h52m15.8s Apparent Sidereal Time: 5h52m15.9s Distance: 1.089AU (162.849 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'06.2" Sidereal period: 87.97 days (0.241 a) Sidereal day: 1407h30m33.8s Mean solar day: 4222h27m52.5s

Phase Angle: +63°42'16" Elongation: +16°15'44"

Phase: 0.72

Illuminated: 72.2%

Neptune





• On March 13th, Mercury and Venus share a close conjunction at sunset.

Both planets are low in the west at evening twilight.

Type: planet

Magnitude: 1.80 (extincted to: 2.87)

Absolute Magnitude: 33.95

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 0h28m43.21s/+6°23'29.5" RA/Dec (on date): 0h30m1.04s/+6°31'51.1"

Hour angle/DE: 5h49m13.24s/+6°37'17.9" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +272°52'46.5"/+6°32'37.3" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +9°07'03.6"/+3°01'20.9" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +9°28'08.7"/+3°01'25.4"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10'

Galactic longitude/latitude: +112°47'37.5"/-56°01'56.6"

Mean Sidereal Time: 6h19m36.9s
Apparent Sidereal Time: 6h19m37.0s
Distance: 0.768AU (114.883 Mio km)
Apparent diameter: +0°00'08.8"
Sidereal period: 87.97 days (0.241 a)
Sidereal day: 1407h30m33.8s
Mean solar day: 4222h27m52.5s
Phase Angle: +124°12'23"
Elongation: +16°05'12"

Phase: 0.22

Illuminated: 21.9





• On March 19th, Mercury slowly gets lost in the solar glare at sunset.

• By March 20th, the planet is right on the horizon at twilight.

Type: planet

Magnitude: **4.02** (extincted to: **7.57**)

Absolute Magnitude: 36.52

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 0h22m53.49s/+6°19'15.3" RA/Dec (on date): 0h24m11.31s/+6°27'38.7"

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Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +7°45'27.4"/+3°31'51.5"
Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +8°06'33.7"/+3°31'55.5"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10

Galactic longitude/latitude: +110°13'35.5"/-55°50'42.2"

Mean Sidereal Time: 6h46m50.9s
Apparent Sidereal Time: 6h46m50.9s
Distance: 0.653AU (97.753 Mio km)
Apparent diameter: +0°00'10.3"
Sidereal period: 87.97 days (0.241 aj
Sidereal day: 1407h30m33.8s

Phase Angle: +154°16'3

Phase: 0.05 Illuminated: 5.0





VENUS

• On March 1st, Venus, The Moon and Mercury share a wide conjunction at sunset in the western twilight sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -4.55 (extincted to: -4.18)

Absolute Magnitude: 29.38

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 0h27m34.74s/+10°27'48.3" RA/Dec (on date): 0h28m52.70s/+10°36'09.5"

Az/Alt: +265°20'55.6"/+20°00'58.6" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +10°28'40.0"/+6°52'21.8" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +10°49'41.9"/+6°52'26.8"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +113°23'06.2"/-51°57'55.9"

Mean Sidereal Time: 5h18m21.8s Distance: 0.337AU (50.461 Mio km) Sidereal period: 224.70 days (0.615 a)

Phase Angle: +136°33'23"

Elongation: +29°54'32"

Illuminated: 13.7%





• On March 1st, Venus and the young Moon set together at 8:19 p.m. in the western sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -4.55 (extincted to: -3.81)

Absolute Magnitude: 29.38

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 0h27m34.03s/+10°28'09.5" RA/Dec (on date): 0h28m52.00s/+10°36'30.8" Hour angle/DE: 5h47m4.10s/+10°40'18.7" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +275°27'45.7"/+9°43'46.7" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +10°28'38.9"/+6°52'45.5"
Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +10°49'40.8"/+6°52'50.5"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +113°22'54.7"/-51°57'33.3"

Mean Sidereal Time: 6h16m12.3s Apparent Sidereal Time: 6h16m12.4s Distance: 0.337AU (50.432 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'49.5" Sidereal period: 224.70 days (0.615 a)

Sidereal day: 5832h28m47.1s Mean solar day: 2802h0m52.2s

Phase Angle: +136°37'06" Elongation: +29°52'15"

Phase: 0.14

Illuminated: 13.7%



Moon





• On March 13th, Venus and Mercury share a close conjunction in the western sky at sunset.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -4.28 (extincted to: -3.35)

Absolute Magnitude: 29.97

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 0h14m11.31s/+10°41'35.9"
RA/Dec (on date): 0h15m29.02s/+10°50'00.0"
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Hour angle/DE: 5h59m43.98s/+10°54'44.6" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +277°48'37.3"/+7°38'41.9" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +7°31'36.7"/+8°23'54.7"

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +7°52'39.8"/+8°23'58.6"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10'

Galactic longitude/latitude: +108°15'35.1"/-51°06'51.1"

Mean Sidereal Time: 6h15m33.1s Apparent Sidereal Time: 6h15m33.2s Distance: 0.291AU (43.604 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'57.3" Sidereal period: 224.70 days (0.615 a

Sidereal day: 5832h28m47.1s Mean solar day: 2802h0m52.2s Phase Angle: +156°55'58"

Elongation: +16°28'15

Phase: 0.04 Illuminated: 4.0%





• On March 20th, Venus gets lost in the solar glare at sunset.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -4.07 (extincted to: -0.33)

Absolute Magnitude: 30.26

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 23h59m28.26s/+9°13'55.9" RA/Dec (on date): 0h00m45.67s/+9°22'21.0" Hour angle/DE: 6h34m3.58s/+9°40'45.8" (apparent) Az/Alt: +282°50'37.2"/+0°44'34.7" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +3°34'42.5"/+8°31'01.3" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +3°55'47.0"/+8°31'03.7"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +102°02'24.1"/-51°31'09.2"

Mean Sidereal Time: 6h36m4.0s Apparent Sidereal Time: 6h36m4.0s Distance: 0.281AU (42.038 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'59.4" Sidereal period: 224.70 days (0.615 a)

Sidereal day: 5832h28m47.1s Mean solar day: 2802h0m52.2s Phase Angle: +167°18'45" Elongation: +9°08'06"

Phase: 0.01 Illuminated: 1.2%









On March 26th, Venus reappears in the morning sky.

Venus rises at 6:19 AM in the eastern sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -**4.08** (extincted to: -**0.77**)

Absolute Magnitude: 30.23

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 23h47m48.94s/+7°29'28.3" RA/Dec (on date): 23h49m6.17s/+7°37'52.5" Hour angle/DE: 17h35m7 01s/+7°54'10 2" (appai

Az/Alt: +80°00'52.7"/+1°06'03.0" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +0°12'13.6"/+8°04'51.6"
Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +0°33'18.7"/+8°04'52.7"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10

Galactic longitude/latitude: +96°40'30.1"/-52°06'25.8"

Mean Sidereal Time: 17h23m6.5s Apparent Sidereal Time: 17h23m6.6s Distance: 0.283AU (42.294 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'59.0" Sidereal period: 224.70 days (0.615 a

Sidereal day: 5832h28m47.1s Mean solar day: 2802h0m52.2

Phase Angle: +166°27'(

Phase: 0.01

Illuminated: 1.4%

Venus



• On March 31st, Venus rises at 5:55 AM in the eastern predawn sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -4.21 (extincted to: -0.38)

Absolute Magnitude: 30.03

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 23h38m59.38s/+5°42'49.9" RA/Dec (on date): 23h40m16.63s/+5°51'12.9" Hour angle/DE: 17h39m35.63s/+6°09'56.1" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +82°01'55.0"/+0°40'21.5" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +357°27'32.2"/+7°19'47.0" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +357°48'38.9"/+7°19'47.2"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +92°10'38.0"/-52°46'37.7"

Mean Sidereal Time: 17h18m35.7s Apparent Sidereal Time: 17h18m35.8s Distance: 0.292AU (43.654 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'57.2" Sidereal period: 224.70 days (0.615 a)

Sidereal day: 5832h28m47.1s Mean solar day: 2802h0m52.2: Phase Angle: +158°58'40"

Elongation: +15°00'28"

Phase: 0.03 Illuminated: 3.3%





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MARS

• On March 1st, Mars is high in the eastern sky at sunset.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -0.26 (extincted to: -0.11)

Absolute Magnitude: 31.61

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 7h15m7.98s/+25°51'22.0" RA/Dec (on date): 7h16m40.78s/+25°48'47.3"

Hour angle/DE: 21h47m42.56s/+25°49'13.5" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +113°38'55.6"/+57°34'15.2" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +106°52'33.3"/+3°30'38.1" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +107°13'38.2"/+3°30'58.3"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10

Galactic longitude/latitude: -168°11'25.5"/+16°21'02.7"

Mean Sidereal Time: 5h4m21.2s Apparent Sidereal Time: 5h4m21.3s Distance: 0.870AU (130.165 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'10.8" Sidereal period: 686.97 days (1.881 a Sidereal day: 24h37m22.7s

Sidereal day: 24h37m22.7s Mean solar day: 24h39m35.2s Phase Angle: +29°09'42" Elongation: +125°30'39"

Phase: 0.9

Illuminated: 93.79



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Sirius

• On March 1st, Mars sets at 4:46 AM in the western sky.







Magnitude: -0.28 (extincted to: 4.12)

Absolute Magnitude: 31.61

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 7h14m57.54s/+25°52'38.2" RA/Dec (on date): 7h16m30.35s/+25°50'03.9"

Hour angle/DE: 7h52m42.99s/+26°13'34.3" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +307°44'41.2"/+0°18'46.8" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +106°50'03.5"/+3°31'35.6" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +107°11'08.2"/+3°31'55.8"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: -168°13'35.5"/+16°19'22.1"

Mean Sidereal Time: 15h10m38.1s Apparent Sidereal Time: 15h10m38.2s Distance: 0.865AU (129.470 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'10.8" Sidereal period: 686.97 days (1.881 a)

Sidereal day: 24h37m22.7s Mean solar day: 24h39m35.2s Phase Angle: +28°56'57" Elongation: +126°02'37"

Phase: 0.94

Illuminated: 93.8%





• On March 8th, Mars and the Gibbous Moon appear together in a close conjunction in the eastern sky at sunset.

Both objects are 2 degrees apart.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -0.08 (extincted to: 0.07)

Absolute Magnitude: 31.65

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 7h18m22.47s/+25°32'47.6" RA/Dec (on date): 7h19m55.04s/+25°30'05.9"

Hour angle/DE: 22h26m24.03s/+25°30'29.3" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +127°01'10.5"/+63°19'31.3" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +107°38'30.1"/+3°17'57.5" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +107°59'35.8"/+3°18'17.5"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: -167°35'57.3"/+16°54'20.9"

Mean Sidereal Time: 5h46m17.6s Apparent Sidereal Time: 5h46m17.6s Distance: 0.929AU (138.974 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'10.1" Sidereal period: 686.97 days (1.881 a

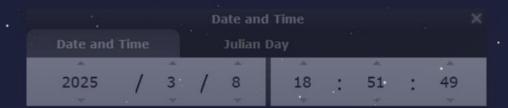
Sidereal day: 24h37m22.7s Mean solar day: 24h39m35. Phase Angle: +31°28'31" Elongation: +119°16'42"

Phase: 0.9

Illuminated: 92.6%



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• On March 31st, Mars is high overhead in the southwestern sky at sunset.

Type: planet

Magnitude: 0.45 (extincted to: 0.58)

Absolute Magnitude: 31.73

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 7h42m23:34s/+24°03'20.0" RA/Dec (on date): 7h43m54.63s/+23°59'48.6"

Hour angle/DE: 0h37m14.80s/+24°00'11.3" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +203°35'26.4"/+68°19'29.0" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +113°15'45.1"/+2°39'35.3" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +113°36'55.1"/+2°39'54.5"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: -163°59'22.0"/+21°24'40.3"

Mean Sidereal Time: 8h21m9.9s Apparent Sidereal Time: 8h21m10.0s Distance: 1.139AU (170.432 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'08.2" Sidereal period: 686.97 days (1.881 a)

Sidereal day: 24h37m22.7s Mean solar day: 24h39m35.2s Phase Angle: +35°56'40" Elongation: +102°02'45"

Phase: 0.90

Illuminated: 90.5%



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• On March 31st, Mars sets at 4:02 a.m. in the northwestern sky.

Mars is still slowly moving east.

Type: planet

Magnitude: 0.43 (extincted to: 4.45)

Absolute Magnitude: 31.73

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 7h41m24.70s/+24°06'40.9" RA/Dec (on date): 7h42m56.05s/+24°03'11.5"

Hour angle/DE: 7h41m25.52s/+24°24'28.9" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +304°37'13.1"/+0°32'41.4" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +113°01'58.7"/+2°40'35.7" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (oh date): +113°23'08.6"/+2°40'55.0"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: -164°07'54.9"/+21°13'24.4"

Mean Sidereal Time: 15h25m40.5s Apparent Sidereal Time: 15h25m40.6s Distance: 1.133AU (169.445 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'08.3" Sidereal period: 686.97 days (1.881 a)

Sidereal day: 24h37m22.7s Mean solar day: 24h39m35.2s Phase Angle: +35°52'00" Elongation: +102°30'27"

Phase: 0.91

Illuminated: 90.5%





JUPITER

• On March 1st, Jupiter is high in the southern sky at sunset.





• On March 1st, Jupiter sets at 1:46 a.m. in the western sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -2.32 (extincted to: 0.89)

Absolute Magnitude: 25.77

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 4h41m59.60s/+21°49'35.2" RA/Dec (on date): 4h43m29.32s/+21°52'30.9"

Hour angle/DE: 7h25m50.29s/+22°09'18.6" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +300°26'28.6"/+1°11'48.2" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +71°56'47.4"/-0°23'56.2" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +72°17'51.7"/-0°23'35.4"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +177°31'19.6"/-15°49'26.4"

Mean Sidereal Time: 12h10m24.4s Apparent Sidereal Time: 12h10m24.5s Distance: 4.982AU (745.262 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'39.6" Sidereal period: 4331.87 days (11.860 a)

Sidereal day: 9h55m29.7s Mean solar day: 9h55m33.1s

Phase Angle: +11°11'43" Elongation: +91°21'39"

Phase: 0.99

Illuminated: 99.0%





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 On March 5th, Jupiter, a first Quarter Moon, M45 and the Hyades all form a wide conjunction at sunset high in the southwestern sky.

All 4 celestial objects are less than 11 degrees apart.

Dupiter

Type: planet

Magnitude: -2.28 (extincted to: -2.13)

Absolute Magnitude: 25.77

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 4h43m44.99s/+21°53'44.0" RA/Dec (on date): 4h45m15.06s/+21°56'36.1" Hour angle/DE: 1h48m4.84s/+21°57'05.0" (apparent) Az/Alt: +233°41'56.7"/+58°28'37.2" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +72°21'33.2"/-0°23'02.0" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +72°42'38.4"/-0°22'41.4"

Ecliptic obliquity (opedath): +23°26'10"
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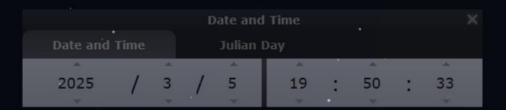
Mean Sidereal Time: 6h33m21.5s Apparent Sidereal Time: 6h33m21.5s Distance: 5.059AU (756.769 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'39.0" Sidereal period: 4331.87 days (11.860 a)

Sidereal day: 9h55m29.7s Mean solar day: 9h55m33.1s Phase Angle: +11°11'33"

Elongation: +87°00'35" 'Phase: 0.99

Illuminated: 99.0%





• On March 31st, Jupiter is near the zenith in the western sky at sunset.





• On March 31st, Jupiter sets at 1:09 a.m. in the northwestern sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: -2.12 (extincted to: 1.61)

Absolute Magnitude: 25.77

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 4h57m12.92s/+22°20'25.4" RA/Dec (on date): 4h58m43.84s/+22°22'50.0"

Hour angle/DE: 7h31m28.62s/+22°42'25:0" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +301°46'58.3"/+0°44'45.9" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude(y2000.0): +75°30'31.1"/-0°18'45.8" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +75°51'40.6"/-0°18'24.8"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +179°19'33.2"/-12°43'08.5"

Mean Sidereal Time: 12h31m26.7s Apparent Sidereal Time: 12h31m26.7s Distance: 5.452AU (815.616 Mio km) Apparent diameter: +0°00'36.2" Sidereal period: 4331.87 days (11.860 a)

Sidereal day: 9h55m29.7s

Mean solar day: 9h55m33.1s Phase Angle: +10°12'38" Elongation: +65°07'04"

Phase: 0.99

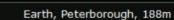
Illuminated: 99.2%



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SATURN

Saturn

• On March 1st, Saturn is less than 5 degrees above the western horizon at sunset.

Now getting lost in the solar glare at twilight.

Elongation: +9°22'24"

Phase: 1.00 Illuminated: 100.0%





Saturn

On March 1st, Saturn sets at 6:45 PM in the western sky.

Saturn no longer visible this month.

Saturn

Sidereal period: 10760.00 days (29.459 a)

Mean solar day: 10h39m24.0s Phase Angle: +0°57'42"

Elongation: +9°22'05"

Phase: 1.00

Illuminated: 100.0%





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URANUS

Uranus

• On March 1st, Uranus is high in the western sky at sunset.

Uranus sits just a few degrees south of M45

Uranus

Type: planet Rigel

Magnitude: **5.75** (extincted to: **5.91**)

Absolute Magnitude: 30.84

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 3h23m56.09s/+18°22'26.6" RA/Dec (on date): 3h25m21.98s/+18°27'50.1"

Hour angle/DE: 2h08m29.14s/+18°28'25.6" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +236°27'53.9"/+52°46'10.4" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +53°18'44.6"/-0°14'04.7" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +53°39'49.1"/-0°13'46.8"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +166°16'02.7"/-31°22'45.7"

Mean Sidereal Time: 5h33m53.1s Apparent Sidereal Time: 5h33m53.1s Distance: 19.827AU (2966.013 Mio km)

Apparent diameter: +0°00'03.6", with rings: +0°00'13.6"

Sidereal period: 30685.00 days (84.011 a)

Sidereal day: 17h14m24.0s Mean solar day: 17h14m22.5s Phase Angle: +2°45'52" Elongation: +72°00'14"

Phase: 1.00

Illuminated: 99.9%



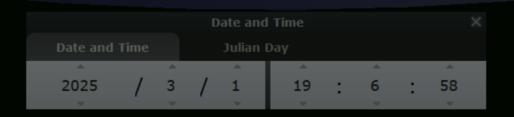




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Uranus

 On March 1st, Uranus sets right after midnight in the western sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: 5.75 (extincted to: 9.17)

Absolute Magnitude: 30.84

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 3h23m51.15s/+18°22'07.4" RA/Dec (on date): 3h25m17.03s/+18°27'31.0" Hour angle/DE: 7h11m8.30s/+18°45 b189 45 barent) Az/Alt: +295°36'09.2"/+1°00'11.1" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +53°17'31.7"/-0°14'05.7" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +53°38'36.0"/-0°13'47.9"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +166°15'14.2"/-31°23'45.7"

Mean Sidereal Time: 10h37m34.0s Apparent Sidereal Time: 10h37m34.1s Distance: 19.814AU (2964.103 Mio km)

Apparent diameter: +0°00'03.6", with rings: +0°00'13.6"

Sidereal period: 30685.00 days (84.011 a)

Sidereal day: 17h14m24.0s Mean solar day: 17h14m22.5s Phase Angle: +2°46'33" Elongation: +72°46'19"

Phase: 1.00

Illuminated: 99:9%







• On March 31st, Uranus is high in the western sky at sunset.

Type: planet

Magnitude: 5.80 (extincted to: 6.12)

Absolute Magnitude: 30.84

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 3h28m24.86s/+18°39'16.7" RA/Dec (on date): 3h29m51.39s/+18°44'33.7"

Hour angle/DE: 4h57m45.88s/+18°46'01.5" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +273°19'04.1"/+23°58'57.1" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +54°24'38.6"/-0°13'31.8" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +54°45'48.2"/-0°13'13.7"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +166°59'51.8"/-30°28'37.8"

Mean Sidereal Time: 8h27m44.3s Apparent Sidereal Time: 8h27m44.4s Distance: 20.254AU (3030.013 Mio km)

Apparent diameter: +0°00'03.5", with rings: +0°00'13.3"

Sidereal period: 30685.00 days (84.011 a)

Sidereal day: 17h14m24.0s Mean solar day: 17h14m22.5s Phase Angle: +2°00'23" Elongation: +43°12'11"

Phase: 1.00

Illuminated: 100.0%













Uranus . .

• On March 31, Uranus sets at in the western sky.

Type: planet

Magnitude: 5.80 (extincted to: 9.28)

Absolute Magnitude: 30.84

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 3h28m25.93s/+18°39'20.5" RA/Dec (on date): 3h29m52.45s/+18°44'37.5"

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Az/Alc. +296°05'30.3"/+0°56'45.8" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +54°24'54.2"/-0°13'31.7"
Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +54°46'03.8"/-0°13'13.7"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +167°00'02.1"/-30°28'25.1"

Mean Sidereal Time: 10h43m51.4s Apparent Sidereal Time: 10h43m51.5s Distance: 20.256AU (3030.181 Mio km)

Apparent diameter: +0°00'03.5", with rings: +0°00'13.3" ·

Sidereal period: 30685.00 days (84.011 a)

Sidereal day: 17h14m24.0s Mean solar day: 17h14m22.5s Phase Angle: +2°00'12" Elongation: +43°06'49"

Phase: 1.00

Illuminated: 100.0%







NEPTUNE

• On March 1st, Neptune is low in the western sky at evening twilight.

Neptune is next to Mercury

Type: planet

Magnitude: 7.95 (extincted to: 9.25)

Absolute Magnitude: 32.08

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 23h56m48.64s/-1°43'18.2" RA/Dec (on date): 23h58m5.98s/-1°34'54.5"

Hour angle/DE: 5n24m55.19s/-1°28'16.1" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +262°47'56.9"/+5°13'48.2" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +358°35'00.8"/-1°15'45.0" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +358°56'05.7"/-1°15'44.4"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10

Galactic longitude/latitude: +93°22'27.7"/-61°25'05.7"

Mean Sidereal Time: 5n23m27.9s Apparent Sidereal Time: 5h23m28.0s Distance: 30.837AU (4613.195 Mio km)

Apparent diameter: +0°00'02.2", with rings: +0°00'05.6"

idereal period: 60189.00 days (164.789 a

Sidereal day: 16h6m36.0s Mean solar day: 16h6m36.6 Phase Angle: +0°33'57" Elongation: +17°19'36"

Phase: 1.00

Illuminated: 100.09





On March 1st, Neptune sets at 7:23 PM in the western sky.

Type: planet

Magnitudė: 7.95 (extincted to: 12.25)

Absolute Magnitude: 32.08

RA/Dec (J2000.0): 23h56m48.80s/-1°43'17.1" RA/Dec (on date): 23h58m6.14s/-1°34'53.4" Hour angle/DE: 5h53m6.60s/-1°14'09.8" (apparent)

Az/Alt: +267°54'44.5"/+0°22'08:7" (apparent)

Ecliptic longitude/latitude (J2000.0): +358°35'03.4"/-1°15'45.0" Ecliptic longitude/latitude (on date): +358°56'08.3"/-1°15'44.4"

Ecliptic obliquity (on date): +23°26'10"

Galactic longitude/latitude: +93°22'33.2"/-61°25'05.8"

Mean Sidereal Time: 5h52m37.6s Apparent Sidereal Time: 5h52m37.7s Distance: 30.837AU (4613.212 Mio km)

Apparent diameter: +0°00'02.2", with rings: +0°00'05.6"

Sidereal period: 60189.00 days (164.789 a)

Sidereal day: 16h6m36.0s Mean solar day: 16h6m36.6s Phase Angle: +0°33'55" Elongation: +17°18'26"

Phase: 1.00

Illuminated: 100.0%











• On March 9th, Neptune is too low to see in the western sky.

After March 3rd, Neptune gets lost in solar glare at twilight.





DEEP SKY

HERCULES

M 92 - GLOBULAR CLUSTER



M 92 – GLOBULAR CLUSTER

- Class Cluster Type Globular or Closed cluster.
- Other Designations: M92, NGC 6341, GCI 59
- Constellation: Hercules
- Age: 14 billion years old Stars: 330,000 with yellow giants
- Diameter: 109 light years across
- Distance: 27,000 light years from Earth
- Magnitude: +6.4
- Size: 14 arc minutes across. Photo by HST Core of M92

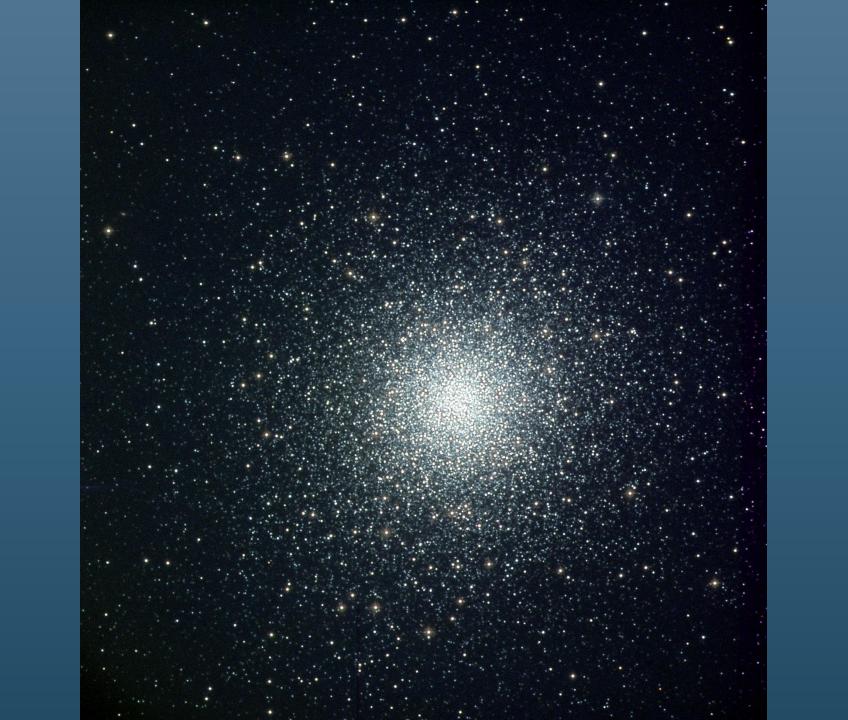


M 92 – GLOBULAR CLUSTER

Below is a photo from the Sir Issac Newton Telescope group.

Wide field image of M92 using the 1-meter telescope and 4-meter scope.

Ground based observations.



That is the Sky this Month

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