

Amazing Space!

April - June 2011

Getting started in astronomy is as easy as looking up. This newsletter shows you how to find the planet Saturn, the Moon and constellations without a telescope.



May 14: Use the Moon to find Saturn.

Look below and to the left of the Moon in the early evening sky. The pale yellow star is the planet Saturn.



June 10: Use the Moon to find Saturn.

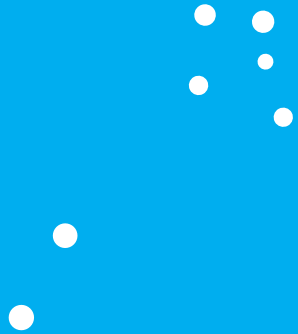
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Crux 'The Southern Cross' and 'The Pointers'



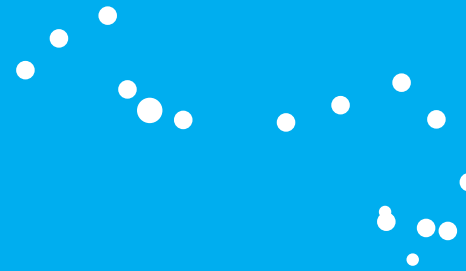
Look above the Southern horizon at the end of evening twilight (April-June).

Constellations



Constellations are imaginary pictures in the sky. Can you imagine a giant Scorpion or a Cross in the night sky?

Scorpius 'The Scorpion'



Look low above the South Eastern horizon at 7.30 pm in early May and 6.30 pm in early June.



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Find the Moon

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Crescent Moon

April 9
May 8
June 7



First Quarter Moon

April 11
May 11
June 9



Gibbous Moon

April 14
May 13
June 12



Full Moon

April 18
May 17
June 16

West

North

East