

HOW TO USE THIS MAP

MPM's star map shows the night sky as it appears on various dates and times. It is designed to be held above your head. Compass directions are indicated along the edge of the circle. Turn the map around its center so the compass direction that appears along the bottom of the map is the same as the direction you face.

BEST VIEWS

December 1 around 9 p.m.; December 15 around 8 p.m.; December 31 around 7 p.m. Best to use the chart within an hour of the times listed. This chart is drawn for 43 degrees latitude but may be applied throughout the continental USA.

DECEMBER MORNING SKY

See bright Mars in the west between the bright stars of Gemini and Leo. Mercury can be seen low in the SE later in the month with the bright red star Antares in Scorpius.

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