Sky Highlights for January

January 1	Saturn begins retrograde
January 4	First quarter moon
	Mercury at greatest eastern elongation
January 10	Full Moon. Called the Frost or Beaver Moon
January 17	Peak of the Orionid meteor shower
January 17	Last quarter moon
January 20	Mercury at inferior conjunction
January 24	Jupiter in conjunction with the Sun
January 26	New moon

Planets Visible This Month

- **Mercury** 15° above the western horizon after sunset at magnitude -0.7; sets about 90 minutes later
- **Venus** A brilliant magnitude -4.4, Venus reaches 30° above the western horizon
- Jupiter—Jupiter disappears into the sun's glare a few days into the month.
- **Saturn** Now rising around 10:30 pm, and magnitude has increased to +0.9. Has now moved from Leo into Virgo.
- Uranus— Magnitude +6 in Aquarius.
- Neptune—Magnitude +8 in Capricornus