

Sky Highlights for June

June 5	Venus at greatest western elongation
June 7	Full Moon. Named Flower, Rose or Strawberry Moon
June 13	Mercury at greatest western elongation
June 15	First quarter moon
	Mars and Venus 2° apart 2 hours before dawn
June 21	Summer solstice
June 22	New moon
June 23	Pluto at opposition
June 29	Last quarter moon

Planets Visible This Month

Mercury— Tough to see this month, rising only an hour before sunrise at magnitude 0.6 at mid-month.

Venus— Rising in the eastern sky less 2 hours before dawn. Magnitude -4.3

Mars— Getting further from the morning sun, Mars rises 2_ hours before sunrise. Magnitude 1.1

Jupiter— Rising around midnight in Capricornus. Magnitude -2.6.

Saturn— At magnitude +1.0 in Leo, Saturn sets by 1 am. The rings are now inclined less than 4°.

NOTE: *This is the time of year when the Milky Way is at its glorious best. Scorpius and Sagittarius are loaded with beautiful views, even with binoculars.*

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