

Sky Highlights for February

- February 5 Last quarter moon
- February 13 New moon
- February 14 Neptune at conjunction
- February 21 First quarter moon
- February 28 Jupiter in conjunction
 Full Moon. Named the Snow, Hunger or Wolf Moon

Planets Visible This Month

- Mercury**— Rising 30 minutes before sunrise at midmonth, brightening to -0.2 magnitude
- Mars**— Just past opposition, Mars is visible all night. Brilliant orange star in Cancer. This is the closest the Red Planet will be to earth for the next 4 years.
- Jupiter**— Fading into the sunset, visible only during the first week of the month.
- Saturn**— Rising around 10 PM at magnitude +0.8 in Virgo.