

Space, Astronomy and Astrophotography

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- WHAT do I wish to observe?
- WHERE is it visible?
 How do I get there?
 How long does it take to get there?
- WHEN is it visible?
- HOW do I see it (or take a picture of it)?
 What equipment do I need?
 How will I use it?
- Check the WEATHER!

Astronomical Atlas and Apps

- Starry Night by Celestron
- Google?...
- Moon Apps (Moon, Moon Phases...)

Photography Apps

 Apps that help us predict the motion of the Sun, Moon and Milky Way

Example 1 The Moon

- 1. Choose a location
- 2. Check Moon phase (Moon or Moon Phases app)
- 3. Check moonrise and moonset times at the location
- 4. Check the weather
- 5. Choose equipment for observation and picture taking
- 6. Go there and set up everything
- 7. ... Wait for the right time

Example 2 Jupiter

- 1. Choose a location
- 2. Check rise and set times at the location (Starry Night computer app)
- 3. Check the weather
- 4. Choose equipment for observation and picture taking
- 5. Go there and set up everything
- 6. ... Wait for the right time

Example 3 Milky Way

- 1. Choose a location
- 2. Check rise and set times at the location (The Photographer's Ephemeris)
- 3. Check the weather
- 4. Choose equipment for observation and picture taking
- 5. Go there and set up everything
- 6. ... Wait for the right time