## M42, Orion Nebula, M43 & Sh2-279 Running Man Nebula

Continuing a series of photograph's of the Messier Objects.



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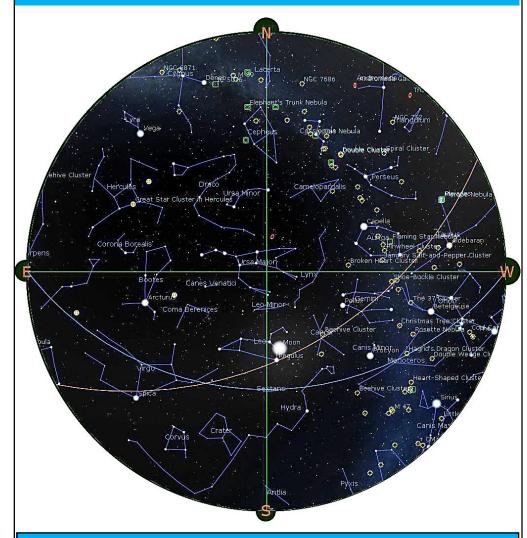
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# **Sky Notes**

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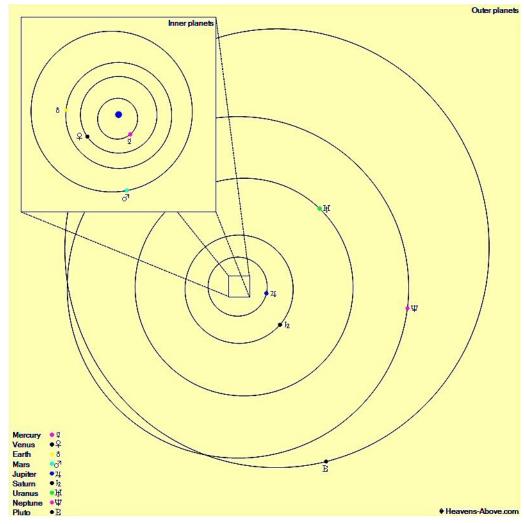


The night sky at 23:00 U.T.C., Mar 15th 2022

<b>2022 March</b>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 Moon- Mars 09:00	Moon- Mercu- ry 20:07 Moon- Saturn 23:47	1	Mercury- Sat 15:48 New Moon 17:3	3	4	5 Jupiter Sun 12:51
6	7	8	9	10 First Quar- ter 10:45	11	12
Neptune Sun 11:08	Moon- Bee- hive 08:55	15	16 Venus- Mars 04:1 2	17	18 Full Moon 08:1	19
20 Spring Eq 16:33 Meeting, Church Lawford 19:30 (AGM) ISS, -3.5, 20:20, 53°, S	21 ISS, -3.3, 19:32, 42°, SSE	22 ISS, -3.9, 20:20, 75°, S	23 ISS, -3.7, 19:31, 65°, SSE	24 ISS, -3.9, 20:19, 81°, S	25 Last Quarter 06:37 Observing, Barby, 7:00 p.m ISS, -3.8, 19:30, 79°, S	26 Observ- ing, Bar- by, 7:00 p.m ISS, -3.8, 20:18, 70°, S
27 ISS, -3.8, 20:29, 78°, S	28  Moon- Mars 03:5 4  Moon- Ve- nus 10:50 Moon- Sat- urn 12:43  ISS, -3.3, 21:16, 48°, SSW	29 Venus- Sat 01:53 ISS, -3.5, 20:27, 61°, SSW	30	31	New Moon 07:24	2

# Sky Events Calendar by Fred Espenak and Sumit Dutta (NASA's GSFC) ISS Data and Solar System Map courtesy of Heavens-Above (www.heavens-above.com)

### The Planets, mid March



**Mercury** is in Aquarius with a magnitude of -0.5, a phase of 89%, and a diameter of 5". It rises at 06:09, transits at 11:18, and sets at 16:28. It is visible low in the east before sunrise.

<u>Venus</u> is in Capricornus with a magnitude of -4.4, a phase of 47%, and a diameter of 26". It rises at 04:35, transits at 09:13, and sets at 13:52. It is visible in the morning sky.

<u>Mars</u> is in Capricornus with a magnitude of +1.2, a phase of 93%, and a diameter of 5". It rises at 04:57, transits at 09:11, and sets at 13:26. It is visible in the morning sky.

<u>Jupiter</u> is in Aquarius with a magnitude of -2.0 and a diameter of 33". It rises at 06:16, transits at 11:48, and sets at 17:20. It is currently too close to the Sun to be observed.

<u>Saturn</u> is in Capricornus with a magnitude of +0.8 and a diameter of 15". It rises at 05:27, transits at 10:06, and sets at 14:44. It is visible in the morning sky.

<u>Uranus</u> is in Aries with a magnitude of +5.8 and a diameter of 3". It rises at 07:47, transits at 15:11, and sets at 22:36. It is visible in the evening sky.

<u>Neptune</u> is in Aquarius with a magnitude of +8.0 and a diameter of 2". It rises at 06:26, transits at 12:09, and sets at 17:52. It is currently too close to the Sun to be observed.