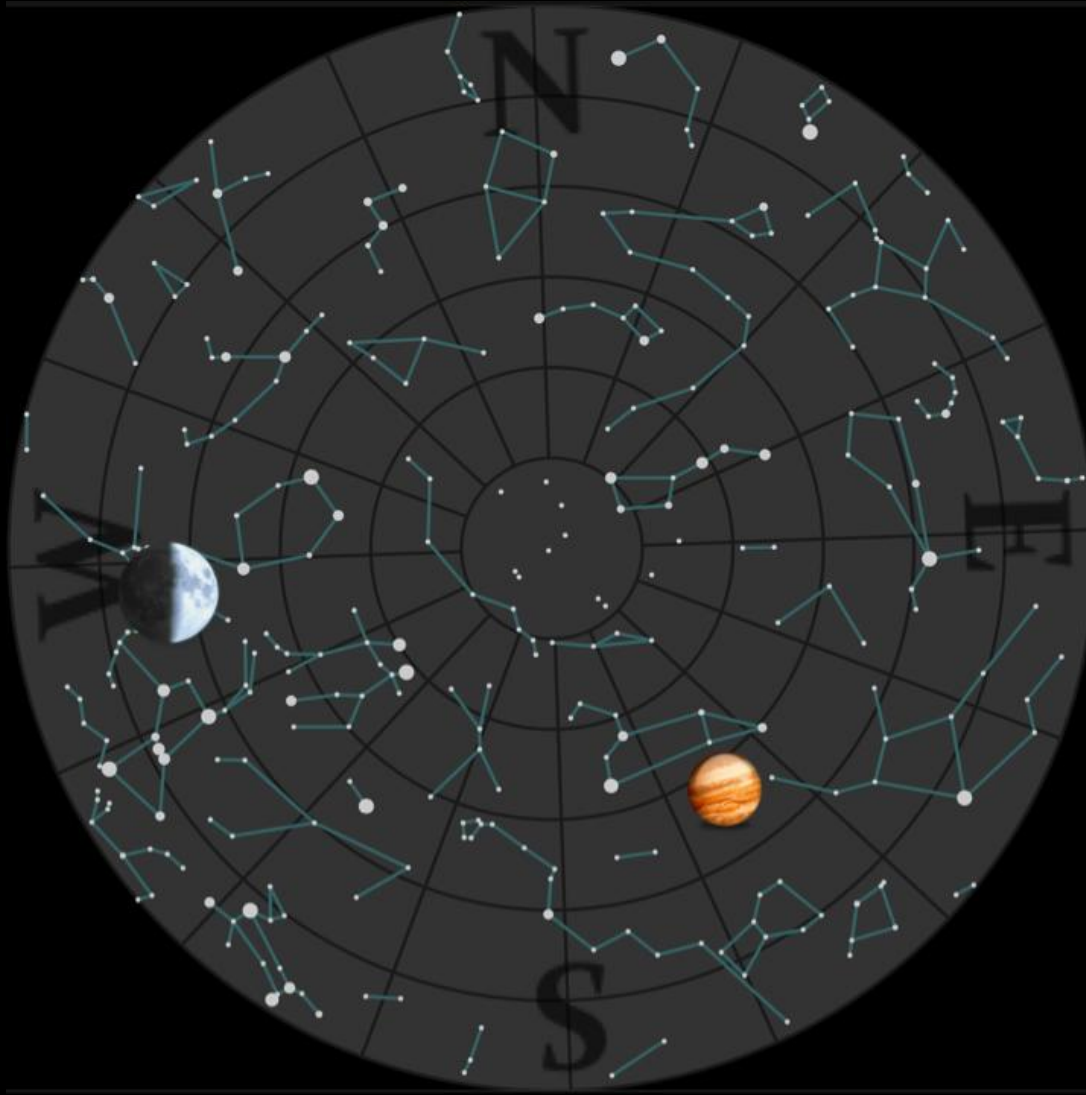


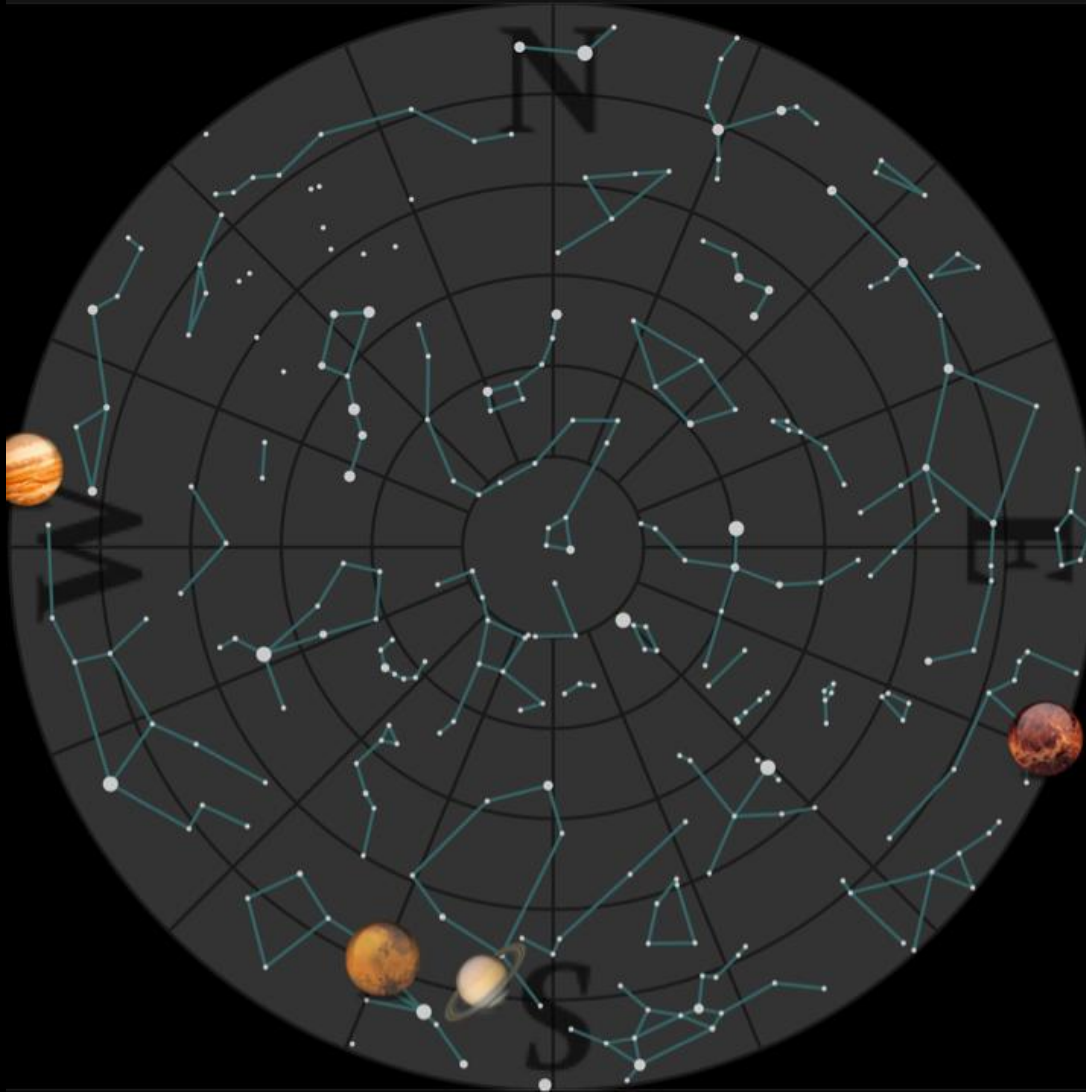
What's Up?

2016 March 14 to April 11

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- The Sky Tonight



- The Sky Tomorrow Morning

Inner Solar System

- Sun
 - Equinox March 20
- Mercury
 - In the morning sky at the beginning of the period
 - Superior Conjunction on March 23
 - Well placed for evening observation in the West at the end of the period
- Venus
 - Rising an hour before sunrise in the morning

Earth

- Moon
 - First Quarter 15
 - Full 23
 - Last Quarter 31
 - New April 07
 - Eclipses ~ partial, penumbral on March 23 (not visible from UK)
 - Occultation ~ Venus April 6 07:30-08:02 UT (although only 16° from the Sun)
- Meteors
 - Only minor activity this period

Outer Solar System

- Mars
 - Rising around mid-night, Opposition on May 22
- Jupiter
 - Was at Opposition on March 08, in the sky all night
- Saturn
 - Rising around 1am, Opposition on June 03