## Sky Outlook June/July 2019



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#### **Planets**

- Mercury is now an evening object low in the north west after sunset.
- Venus a morning object rising an hour before the Sun.
- Mars still visible in the south west after sunset, setting two hours afterwards.
- Jupiter is at opposition on the 10<sup>th</sup> but viewing imaging will be difficult due to being low.
- Saturn rises at around 22:00 UT start of the month but again same as Jupiter, being low down viewing will be difficult. Will be at opposition on July 9<sup>th</sup>

## Moon & Jupiter 15<sup>th</sup> June



## Mercury & Mars 19th June



## Moon & Saturn 19th June



## Mercury & Mars 29th June



## Partial eclipse of Moon 16th July

Event	UTC Time	Time in Slough*	Visible in Slough
Penumbral Eclipse begins	16 Jul, 18:43:51	16 Jul, 19:43:51	No, below the horizon
Partial Eclipse begins	16 Jul, 20:01:43	16 Jul, 21:01:43	No, below the horizon
Maximum Eclipse	16 Jul, 21:30:44	16 Jul, 22:30:44	Yes
Partial Eclipse ends	16 Jul, 22:59:39	16 Jul, 23:59:39	Yes
Penumbral Eclipse ends	17 Jul, 00:17:38	17 Jul, 01:17:38	Yes

\* The Moon is below the horizon in Slough some of the time, so that part of the eclipse is not visible.



11.1 FPS 2019-07-16 23:55:10 UTC+01:00

2019-07-16 22:30:53 UTC+01:00

Earth, +51°27'22", -0°58'16"

FOV 21°

12 FPS

2019-07-16 21:41:39 UTC+01:00

### Meteor showers

**Southern Delta Aquariids**: A good meteor shower that suffers from a lowish radiant altitude from the UK.

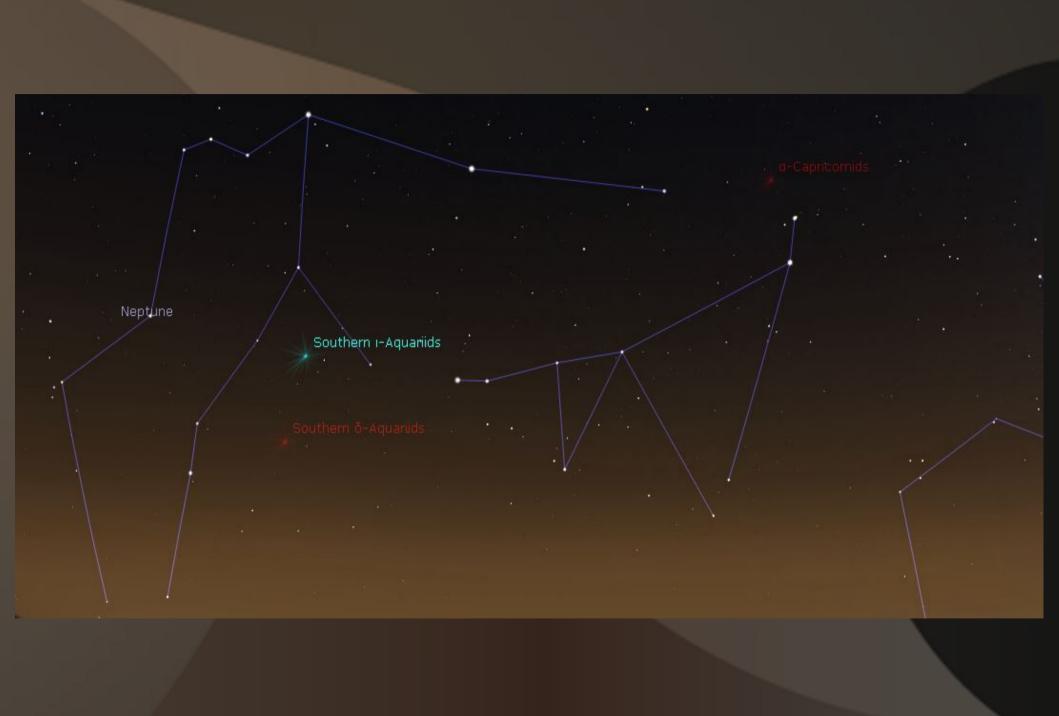
Shower details - Radiant: 22:40 -16.4° - ZHR: 16 - Velocity: medium - 41km/sec - Parent Object:96P/Machholz?

Main Activity Dates	July 12-August 23	
Peak Rates	July 29-30	
Peak ZHR	15	
Best Observed Rates	Around the middle of the night	
Visibility each night (UK)	Visible all night	
Moonlight issues at maximum	Slight: 6% crescent moon	

**Alpha Capricornids**: A lowish active meteor shower that can produce slow moving colourful bright meteors.

Shower details - Radiant: 20:28 -10.2° - ZHR: 5 - Velocity: slow - 24km/sec - Parent Object:169P/NEAT

Main Activity Dates	July 5-August 15	
Peak Rates	Aug 2-3	
Peak ZHR	5	
Best Observed Rates	Around the middle of the night	
Visibility each night (UK)	Visible all night	
Moonlight issues at maximum	Slight: 6% crescent moon	



#### Perseids

The most popular meteor shower of the year.

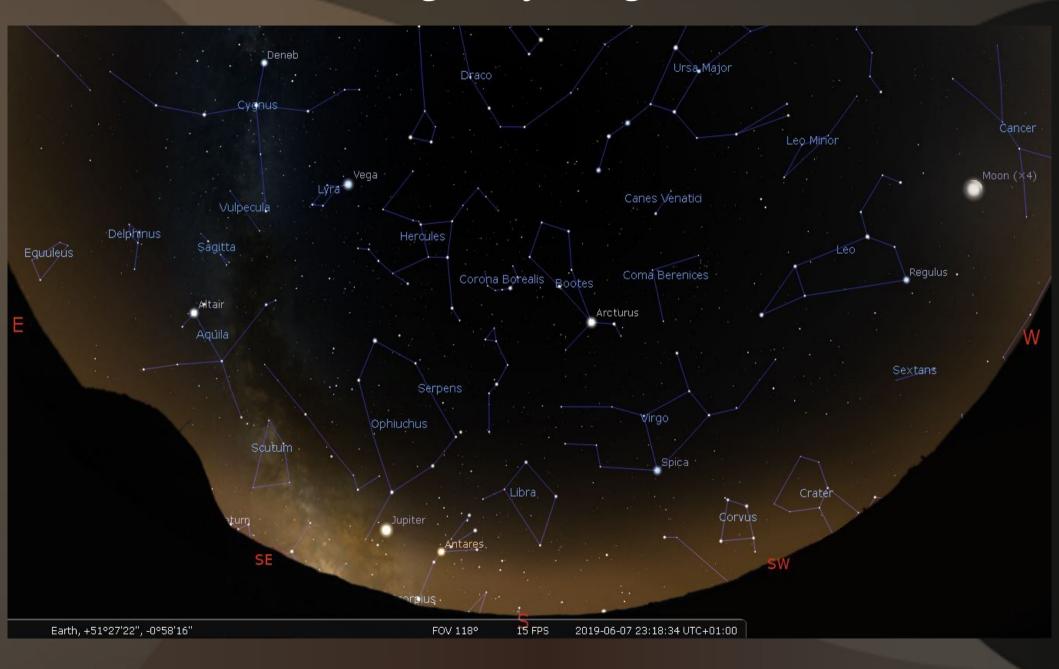
Main Activity Dates	July 17 to August 24	
Peak Rates	Aug 12-13	
Peak ZHR	80-100	
Best Observed Rates	During the night of Aug 12-13	
Visibility each night (UK)	Visible all night	
Moonlight issues at Maximum	Major: 94% moon	

Shower details - Radiant: 03:12 +57.6° - ZHR: 100 - Velocity: swift - 60km/sec - Parent

Object:109P/Swift-Tuttle



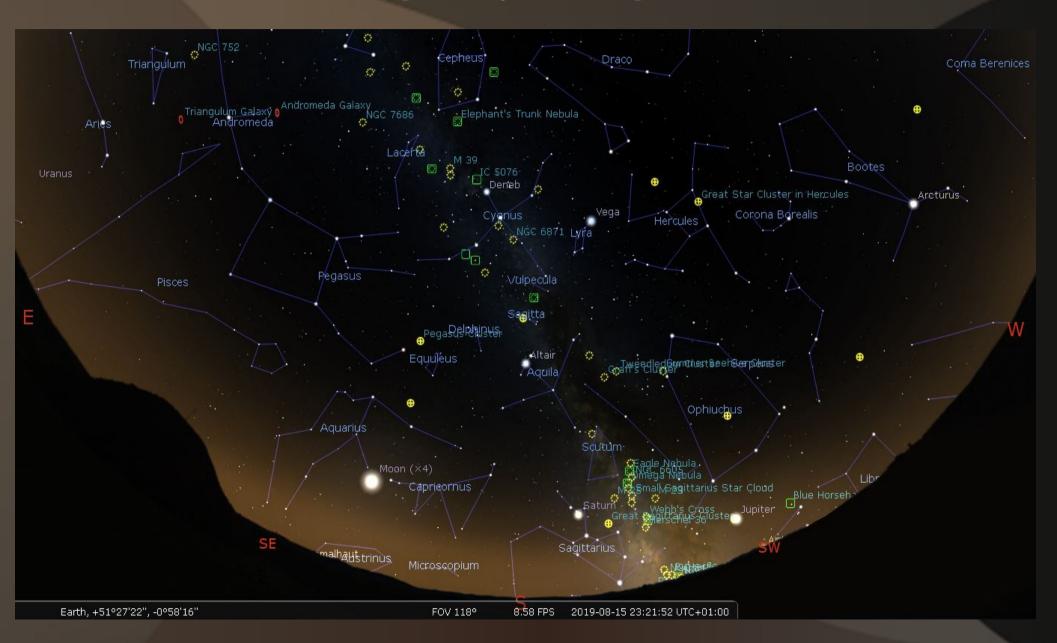
#### Night sky tonight



#### Night sky in July

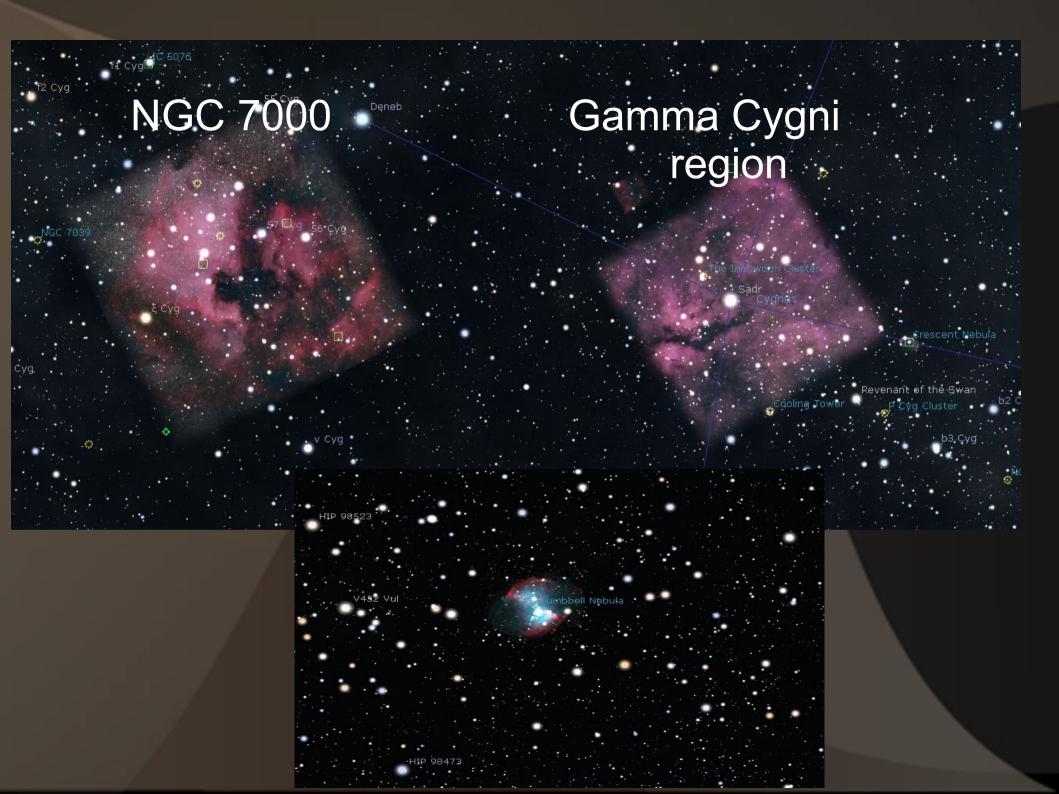


#### Night sky in August











Noctilucent clouds Noctilucent clouds, also known as polar mesospheric clouds, are most commonly seen in the deep twilight towards the north from our latitude. They are the highest clouds in the atmosphere at heights of around 80 km or 50 miles. Normally too faint to be seen, they are visible when illuminated by sunlight from below the horizon

# Wishing you all a fantastic Summer and plenty clear skies