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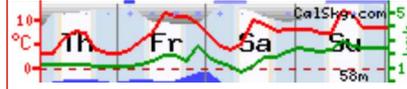
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## The Calendar-Sky

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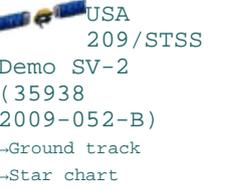
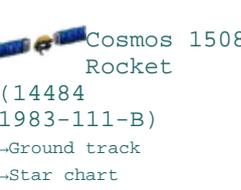
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### Monday 5 August 2013

Time (24-hour clock)	Object (Link)	Event
	Observer Site	ND Landes, France WGS84: Lon: -1d42m40.57s Lat: +47d22m53.48s Alt: 106m All times in CET or CEST (during summer)
23h10m15s	 NOSS 2-1 (E) (20642 1990-050-E) →Ground track →Star chart	<p><b>Appears</b> 22h58m43s 7.7mag az:215.5° SW horizon</p> <p><b>at Meridian</b> 23h05m04s 4.5mag az:180.0° S h:78.1°</p> <p><b>Culmination</b> 23h05m20s 4.5mag az:127.9° SE h:82.7°</p> <p>distance: 724.9km height above Earth: 719.7km elevation of Sun: -13° angular velocity: 0.62°/s</p> <p><b>Disappears</b> 23h13m38s 8.3mag az: 41.2° NE horizon</p> 

 23h10m15s	 <p>USA 209/STSS Demo SV-2 (35938 2009-052-B) -Ground track -Star chart</p>	<p><b>Appears</b> 22h57m05s 9.0mag az:211.1° SSW horizon <b>at Meridian</b> 23h06m03s 6.6mag az:180.0° S h:48.7° <b>Culmination</b> 23h08m06s 6.3mag az:130.6° SE h:61.2° distance: 1506.6km height above Earth: 1354.0km elevation of Sun: -14° angular velocity: 0.28°/s <b>Disappears</b> 23h19m11s 9.1mag az: 50.8° NE horizon</p>	
 23h10m15s	 <p>IGS 7A Rocket (37955 2011-075-B) -Ground track -Star chart</p>	<p><b>Appears</b> 23h08m32s 4.1mag az: 91.3° E h:16.0° <b>Culmination</b> 23h09m41s 4.2mag az: 65.8° ENE h:18.5° distance: 1169.2km height above Earth: 461.4km elevation of Sun: -14° angular velocity: 0.39°/s <b>Disappears</b> 23h14m35s 7.4mag az: 2.0° N horizon Time uncertainty of about 2 seconds</p>	
 23h10m15s	 <p>Cosmos 1508 Rocket (14484 1983-111-B) -Ground track -Star chart</p>	<p><b>Appears</b> 23h04m05s 5.0mag az:157.8° SSE h:18.4° <b>Culmination</b> 23h06m43s 3.9mag az: 91.6° E h:45.6° distance: 785.1km height above Earth: 582.9km elevation of Sun: -14° angular velocity: 0.57°/s <b>Disappears</b> 23h13m26s 8.2mag az: 14.1° NNE horizon Time uncertainty of about 2 seconds</p>	
 23.2h	 Saturn	<p>Magnitude= 0.7mag Best seen from 21.8h - 0.6h (h<sub>top</sub>=23° at SW at 21.8h) (in constellation Virgo) RA=14h15m11s Dec=-11°04.2' (J2000) Distance=9.938AU Elongation= 82° Diameter=16.6" planetocentric latitude of the Earth=17.5°</p>	
 23h11m50s	 <p>NOSS 3-3 Rocket (28538 2005-004-B) -Ground track -Star chart</p>	<p><b>Appears</b> 23h02m08s 6.0mag az:189.1° S horizon <b>at Meridian</b> 23h05m41s 5.2mag az:180.0° S h:13.4° <b>Culmination</b> 23h11m50s 4.0mag az:115.1° ESE h:42.1° distance: 1682.3km height above Earth: 1231.1km elevation of Sun: -14° angular velocity: 0.25°/s <b>Disappears</b> 23h22m03s 6.7mag az: 42.4° NE horizon</p>	
 23h13m17s	 <p>Yaogan 16A Rocket (39014 2012-066-D) -Ground track -Star chart</p>	<p><b>Appears</b> 23h04m20s 10.6mag az:317.4° NW horizon <b>Culmination</b> 23h13m17s 4.3mag az:237.5° WSW h:57.7° distance: 1207.1km height above Earth: 1048.3km elevation of Sun: -14° angular velocity: 0.34°/s <b>at Meridian</b> 23h15m43s 4.4mag az:180.0° S h:38.3° <b>Disappears</b> 23h18m45s 5.3mag az:163.9° SSE h:16.2°</p>	
 23h14m03s	 <p>IGS 5 H2A Rocket (36105 2009-066-B) -Ground track -Star chart</p>	<p><b>Appears</b> 23h10m15s 4.9mag az:183.4° S h:11.0° <b>Culmination</b> 23h14m03s 3.6mag az:260.2° W h:51.9° distance: 707.6km height above Earth: 570.7km elevation of Sun: -14° angular velocity: 0.63°/s <b>Disappears</b> 23h20m09s 8.6mag az:343.1° NNW horizon Time uncertainty of about 12 seconds</p>	
 23h16m05s	 <p>Resurs P1 (39186 2013-030-A) -Ground track -Star chart</p>	<p><b>Appears</b> 23h14m54s 3.9mag az:103.7° ESE h:22.5° <b>Culmination</b> 23h16m05s 3.9mag az: 69.2° ENE h:27.9° distance: 906.8km height above Earth: 471.6km elevation of Sun: -15° angular velocity: 0.50°/s <b>at Meridian</b> 23h20m42s 7.6mag az: 0.0° N h:2.6° <b>Disappears</b> 23h21m19s 7.9mag az:357.8° N horizon</p>	
 23h16m56s	 <p>ISS -Ground track -Star chart</p>	<p><b>Appears</b> 23h11m33s -0.1mag az:230.1° SW horizon <b>at Meridian</b> 23h16m29s -3.8mag az:180.0° S h:47.5° <b>Culmination</b> 23h16m56s -4.0mag az:148.3° SSE h:52.3° distance: 525.1km height above Earth: 422.9km elevation of Sun: -15° angular velocity: 0.85°/s</p>	

		<b>Disappears</b> 23h20m56s -1.1mag az: 69.2° ENE h:6.2°	
 23h19m	 Sun	Sun 15° below horizon	
 23.3h	<b>Deep-Sky Observing</b>	<b>Best time interval for observing dim objects: 23.3h- 5.1h Prior to midnight</b>	
 23h19m40s	 <b>ALOS (28931 2006-002-A)</b> -Ground track -Star chart	<b>Appears</b> 23h16m13s 4.4mag az:165.8° SSE h:18.5° <b>at Meridian</b> 23h19m30s 2.9mag az:180.0° S h:83.9° <b>Culmination</b> 23h19m40s 3.0mag az:255.7° WSW h:88.5° distance: 697.7km height above Earth: 697.6km elevation of Sun: -15° angular velocity: 0.64°/s <b>Disappears</b> 23h26m39s 8.5mag az:346.9° NNW horizon	
 23h19m41s	 <b>Yaogan 10 LM Rocket (36835 2010-038-B)</b> -Ground track -Star chart	<b>Appears</b> 23h15m58s 5.3mag az:189.8° S h:10.3° <b>Culmination</b> 23h19m41s 4.3mag az:261.2° W h:41.3° distance: 791.5km height above Earth: 547.9km elevation of Sun: -15° angular velocity: 0.56°/s <b>Disappears</b> 23h25m32s 9.0mag az:340.7° NNW horizon	
 23h20m04s	 <b>USA 208/STSS Demo SV-1 (35937 2009-052-A)</b> -Ground track -Star chart	<b>Appears</b> 23h08m59s 9.0mag az:215.4° SW horizon <b>at Meridian</b> 23h18m41s 6.4mag az:180.0° S h:59.4° <b>Culmination</b> 23h20m04s 6.3mag az:132.8° SE h:68.5° distance: 1438.1km height above Earth: 1355.9km elevation of Sun: -15° angular velocity: 0.29°/s <b>Disappears</b> 23h31m14s 9.2mag az: 50.8° NE horizon	

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## Glossary:

### Appears

Local time at which the satellite appears visually. The first figure indicates the **visual brightness** of the object. The smaller the number, the brighter and more eye-catching it appears to an observer. The units are astronomical magnitudes [m]. **Azimuth** is given in degrees counting from geographic north clockwise to the east direction. The three-character direction code is given as well. In case the satellite exits from the Earth shadow and comes into the glare of the Sun, the elevation above horizon is given in degrees for this event. If this figure is omitted, the satellite is visible straight from the horizon.

### at Meridian

Time of the transit of the meridian, i.e. the satellite is due South or due North. At this time, the satellite will not reach its highest point of the pass. Look for culmination.

### Azimuth/az

Azimuth direction of the object is given in degrees counting from geographic north (0°) clockwise to the east direction. East is 90°, south 180°, and west 270°. The three-character direction code is given as well. For example, NNW stands for north-north-west.



### Best seen between / h<sub>max</sub>

This is the best visibility time interval of the object, and the time is rounded to the next decimal hour; e.g. 6.4h corresponds to about 6:15 (hh:mm) to 6:20, and 18.9h to about 18:50 to 18:55. The calculation takes into account the magnitude of the object (required elevation above horizon), and the elevation of the Sun. The time is given in local civil time (LCT), i.e., the time zone and definitions as selected by you. h<sub>max</sub> is the maximum altitude over the horizon, that the object reaches during this time period.

### Culmination

Time at which the satellite reaches his highest point in the sky as seen from the observer. For description of the figures see **Appears**. Visually "better" passes of satellites are indicated by highlighting the information. The selection within the list of all possible transits is coupled with the observer level, the daylight, and several other conditions.

### Dec., declination, DE

One coordinate used to indicate the position on the sky. It is the angular distance of the object from the celestial equator. North pole, close to Polaris, is 90° north.

### Diameter

Diameter is the geocentric apparent angular diameter of a celestial object (topocentric for artificial satellites). The value is given in seconds of arc for planets and satellites, and in minutes of arc for Sun and Moon.

### Disappears

Local time of visual disappearance of the satellite. This may either be the time at which the satellite moves below the observer's horizon or the entry of the object in the shadow of Earth (the elevation is given for this event). The low Earth orbiting (LEO) satellites are usually visible for about 10 seconds more than the listed time, when they start fading rapidly.

### Elongation

The elongation is the angular separation a celestial body and the central body (Sun, for moons: Jupiter or Saturn), as seen from the Earth mass center.

### International Space Station ISS

The manned ISS is according to NASA the biggest and most complex scientific project in history. During twilight passed, the space station is easily seen by everyone as a strikingly bright and silently running star. It crosses the sky in a few minutes basically from west to east.

**J2000, precession, nutation**

The plains of ecliptic and equator shift with time by perturbations from the Sun, Moon and planets. The long-term shift is called precession; the short periodic variations are called nutation. The given celestial coordinates are referred to the true direction of the vernal equinox and the true obliquity of the ecliptic to the standard reference time 1 January 2000. For this date many star charts and coordinate tables are printed.

**Magnitude/Mag**

Brightness of an object considered as a point source of light, on a logarithmic scale. Visual limiting magnitude is about 6mag, whereas the brightest star Sirius reaches -1.4mag. The Hubble Space Telescope can image objects as dim as 29mag.

**R.A., right ascension, RA**

One coordinate used to indicate the position on the sphere. It is the angular distance of the object from the spring equinox measured along the celestial equator, expressed in hours of arc.

**Time and Date**

Date of validity of calculated output in local time and date, taking into account daylight saving time as well (see the current time zone on the left of the Earth icon on top right of almost all pages). The time is given as hours:minutes:seconds, or 00h00m00s. The time may also be rounded and given in decimal form, in order to correspond to the accuracy of the calculation: e.g., 10.1h means that the event will take place at about 5 minutes past 10 o'clock. This may also happen for days: 4.3d corresponds to the fourth day at around 7 o'clock. The start time is taken as selected by you, i.e., this is *not* necessarily at midnight. For intervals shorter than one day, decimal days are given. Times are given in 24 hour format (0h00m is midnight, 12h: noon, 18h: 6 pm.)

**WGS84 / Geographical Coordinates**

Geographical coordinates are given by the angles longitude (Lon), latitude (Lat), and altitude in meters (Alt). A place north of the equator is marked by N or +, places south of the equator by S or -. The longitude from the meridian of Greenwich is counted positive towards east (E). Places west from Greenwich are marked W or by -. The geographical coordinates refer to an ellipsoid, which fits the true shape of the Earth (geoid). The geoid corresponds to calm sea surface. The keyword "Geographic:" uses the local ellipsoid as reference system. WGS84 mark coordinates referring to the WGS84 ellipsoid. The difference in altitude to the geoid sums up to 100 meters and is called geoid undulation. This is corrected for when tagged "MSL" (mean sea level), such that the origin of the height system is at sea level.

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