

July 2017 Sky Events – the Planets

Conjunction the Crescent Moon with Mercury

On the evenings of **Monday, July 24th** and **Tuesday, July 25th**, just after 9:00 p.m. EDT, hunt through dusk skies for a very thin **Crescent Moon** accompanied by the planet **Mercury** and the alpha star in Leo, **Regulus**.

An unobstructed view low to the western horizon will be necessary, and the task will benefit greatly from the aid of binoculars.

The Moon, Mercury and Regulus will all feature together once again near the sun on August 21st, and in spectacular fashion – **during totality of a solar eclipse!**

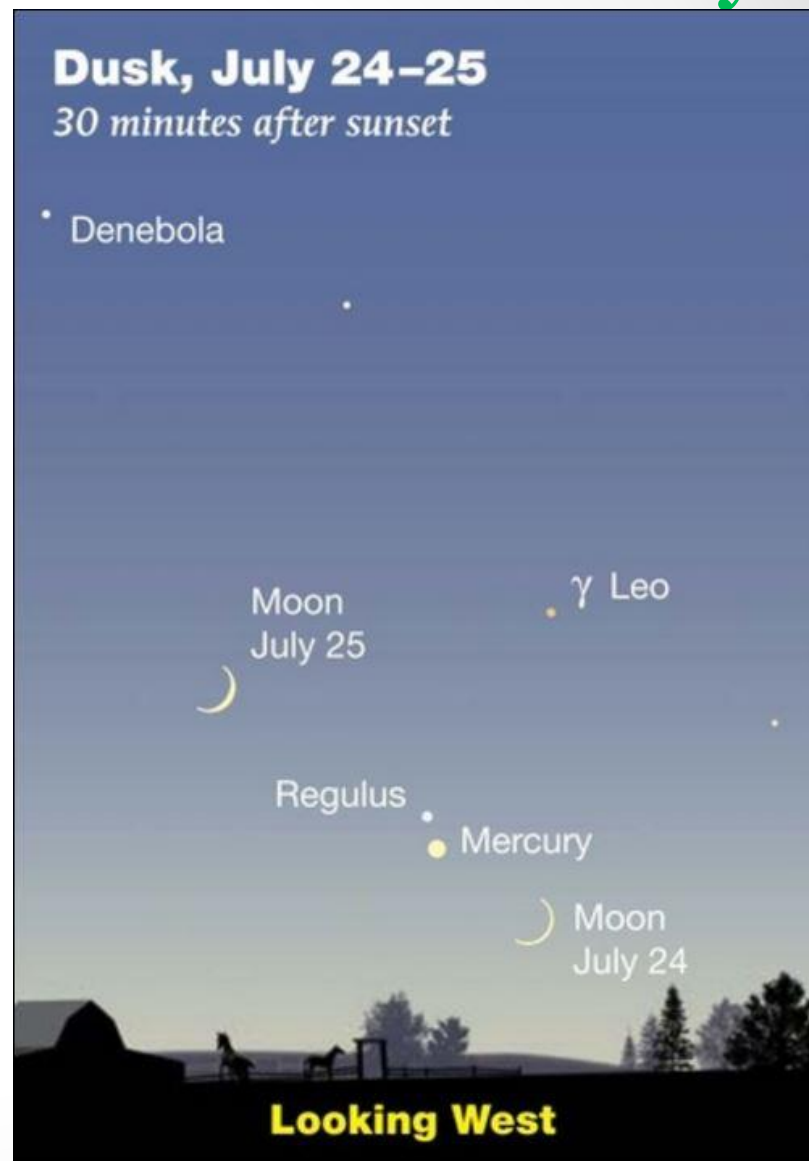


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