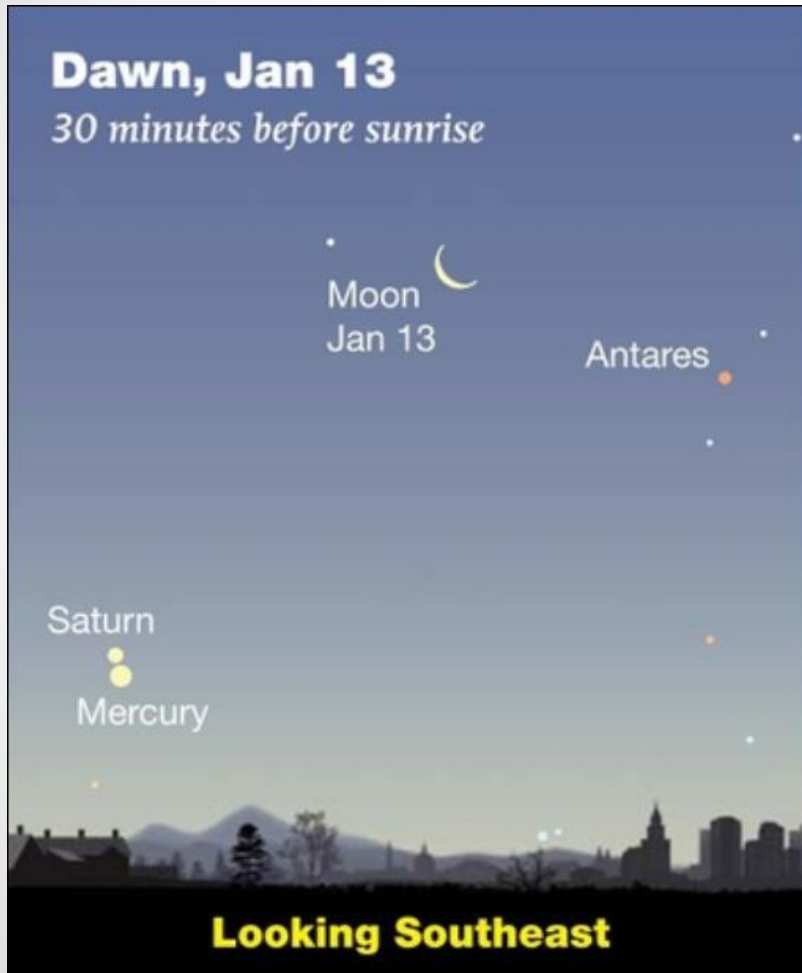


January 2018 Highlight

Dawn Pairing of Mercury and Saturn



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On the morning of **Saturday, January 13th**, very low to the east-southeastern horizon, **Mercury** and **Saturn** join to form an attractive conjunction.

Separated by 0.6° , binoculars may be necessary to discern the two planets through dawn's glow. Telescopic views will also work, though any planetary detail will be lost due to the Earth's thick atmosphere near the horizon.

Try to locate this duo about 7:00 a.m., enjoying the view as they quickly fade into morning's light.