

**May 17-19, 2018**

# Conjunction of the Moon with Venus

Find the very brilliant planet Venus in the west all month during the first few hours following sunset.

On the nights of May 17-19, catch the beautiful waxing crescent Moon in conjunction with Venus – closest on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

While observing these two solar system bodies, contemplate that Venus is actually some 126 million miles behind the Moon and some 3.5 times the diameter of the Moon!

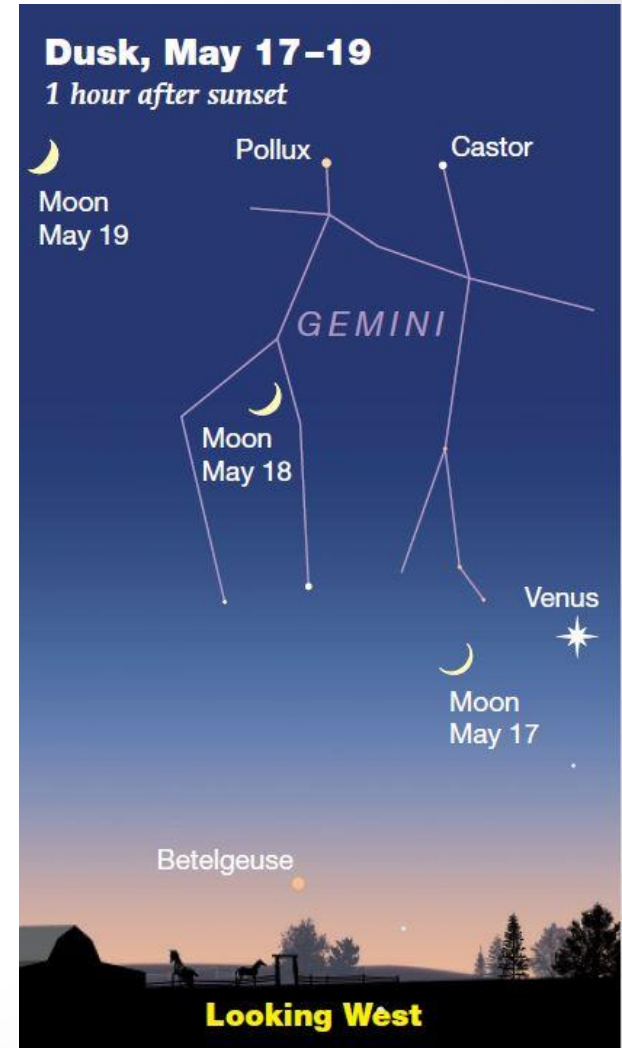


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