



# 14 October 2018 Sky Events – the Planets

## A Crescent Moon Curls to Saturn

On the evening of **Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**, find the planet **Saturn** about 2 degrees to the left (east) of a crescent Moon. Both objects will be seen hovering over the famous **teapot asterism** of **Sagittarius**.

To locate this lunar-planetary pair, look to the **S-SW** about **8:00 p.m. EDT**. Depending on how light polluted your skies are, you may have to wait for dark to connect the stars of this amusing kettle shape.

Binoculars will easily show the Moon's rugged features. A small telescope pointed at the light and shadowed areas along the Moon's **terminator** (the line demarcating day and night on its surface) reveal an inhospitable lunar terrain... as well as our solar system's true gem: Saturn's rings!



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