

The Long Night Moon Glides Past Jupiter and Saturn

The waxing crescent Long Night Moon glides past the gas giant planets Jupiter and Saturn, in the constellation Capricornus, on the nights of **December 16-18**. This year the Long Night Moon is “full” on December 29th.

On these nights, Jupiter and Saturn are located some 548 million miles and 1 billion miles, respectively, behind the Moon.

Jupiter and Saturn will appear very close in the sky on these nights, as they continue on, what seems to be, a collision course. They will be positioned nearest on the night of Dec. 21st — the closest conjunction of the two planets since the year 1623! [Find out more...](#)

