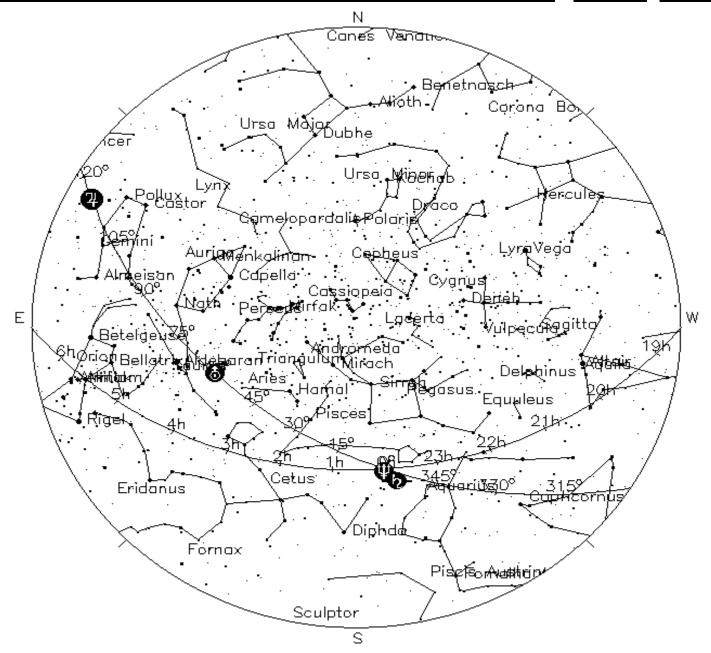
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Aspect of the sky from 50 45' N: 2 00' W at 21:00 UTC

Chart from www.fourmilab.ch

<u>Lunar Phases</u> Full Nov. 5th at 13:19; Last Qtr: Nov. 12th at 05:28; New: Nov. 20th at 06:47 and First Qtr: Nov. 20th at 06:59. This full moon will be a <u>super moon</u>, coinciding with perigee on the same date. See apsides below.

Apsides: Perigee (closest) Nov. 5th at 22:26, 356822 km, (33' 09"); Apogee (furthest) Nov. 20th at 02:48, 406691 km, (29' 02"). The Full moon will be a 'supermoon', being on the perigee date, see above. This is the second of 3 supermoons this year. This will be the brightest supermoon since 2019! December's full moon will also be a supermoon.

<u>Mercury</u> ($\space{1}{4}$): Despite starting the month near maximum eastern elongation as an evening star, it will not be observable, being on or below the western horizon at dusk. Mercury is at Superior Conjunction (far side of the Sun) on the 20th.

Venus (): is 7° above the horizon at dawn on the 1st, an hour before sunrise, mag -3.9, but moving in toward the Sun. **Mars** (): is within a few degrees east of the Sun and will be lost in its glare all month, same as for October.

Jupiter (a): rises at 20:20, mid-month and transits at 04:20, mag – 2.2. Moon close on the 9th. See later for timings of the GRS. **Saturn** (h): is moving slowly retrograde being just past opposition last month, so is visible all night, mag.0.6. It reaches a stationary point on the 30th thence moves direct. Moon is close on the 1st, 2nd, and 29th.

Uranus (場): is 3° SE of the Pleiades all month, mag. 5.6. Moon near on the 10th.

Neptune (Ψ): is about 3° above left of Saturn during the month, mag 7.8. The chart shows Neptune (Ψ) and Saturn close together. The Moon close on the 5th, as for Saturn.

Moon occults the Pleiades on the 10th at 05:45, just as dawn is breaking. –

Sunrise set times: All times in UTC Rise Transit Set Date Date Rise Transit Set 01 Nov 2025 06:59:52 11:51:35 16:42:36 21 Nov 2025 07:33:24 11:53:55 16:13:59 06 Nov 2025 07:08:25 11:51:38 16:34:12 26 Nov 2025 07:41:05 11:55:22 16:09:15 11 Nov 2025 07:16:56 11:52:03 16:26:34 01 Dec 2025 07:48:11 11:57:07 16:05:43 16 Nov 2025 07:25:17 11:52:48 16:19:47

Moonrise set times: All times in UTC

| Date | Rise | Transit | Set | Date | Rise | Transit | Set |
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| 01 Nov 2025 | 15:00:00 | 20:40:58 | 01:15:49 | 21 Nov 2025 | 09:17:04 | 12:48:34 | 16:16:18 |
| 06 Nov 2025 | 16:35:23 | 00:12:28 | 08:42:35 | 26 Nov 2025 | 12:34:31 | 17:01:12 | 21:38:51 |
| 11 Nov 2025 | 22:25:34 | 05:25:37 | 13:28:41 | 01 Dec 2025 | 13:45:40 | 20:56:08 | 02:59:50 |
| 16 Nov 2025 | 03:22:37 | 09:05:05 | 14:34:09 | | | | |

B Persei, (Algol) (mag. 2.1 to 3.4) – the minimum are

 5^{th} at 03:10; 8^{th} at 00:00; 25^{th} at 04:50; 28^{th} at 01:40 and 30^{th} at 22:30.

RZ Cassiopeiae (mag. 6.2 to 7.7) – these are the following opportunities

3rd at 19:40; 5th at 00:25; 9th at 19:08;10th at 23:50; 12th at 04:30; 15th at 18:35; 16th at 23:15; 18th at 03:55; 23rd at 02:20 and 22:15; 25th at 04:00 and 23:50; 28th at 01:30 and 21:25 and finally 30th at 03:10 and 23:00. Being circumpolar, RZ Cass is visible whenever it's dark.

Lambda Tauri (mag. 3.4 to 3.9) – There are no opportunities this month, mostly in daytime.

Evenig passes of the ISS start on the 13th. See page 3.

Durlston event this month is on Saturday November 29th at 7.00pm. when Saturn with Enceladus appearing from behind at 8:48pm, Jupiter with Callisto appearing from behind at 8:50 pm and Io's shadow transit at 10:00pm, a 66% Moon with crater Copernicus will be on view, also Neptune and autumn constellations, will be observed.

Solar news

The Sun is still active. Keep a watching brief. Spaceweather.com is a good resource, showing the auroral oval.

Timings for Jupiter's **Great Red Spot (GRS)**:

 1^{st} at 04:10; 2^{nd} at 00:00; 3^{rd} at 05:45; 4^{th} at 21:30; 6^{th} at 03:15 and 23:10; 8^{th} at 04:55; 9^{th} at 00:45 and 20:40; 11^{th} at 02:25 and 22:15; 13^{th} at 04:05 and 23:55; 15^{th} at 05:45; 16^{th} at 21:25; 18^{th} at 03:15 and 23:05; 20^{th} at 04:50; 21^{st} at 00:45 and 20:35; 23^{rd} at 02:20 and 22:15; 25^{th} at 04:00; 27^{th} at 05:40; 28^{th} at 01:30 and 21:24 and 30^{th} at 03:10 and 23:00. End of listing!

<u>Meteor Activity:</u> The November Leonids peak on the morning of the 17th. The Moon is New on the 20th so reasonably favourable conditions this year! The shower is very weak with fast meteors emanating from a point in the sickle (head) of Leo.

Good observing.

Robert Hatch 04 November 2025

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| Date Bright | tness | Start | | Highe | est poi | nt | End- | | Pas | s type |
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| (mag) | Time | Alt. | Az. | Time | Alt. | Az. | Time | Alt. | Az. | |
| 13 Nov-1.5 | 18:44:27 | 10° | SSW | 18:45:33 | 17° | S | 18:45:33 | 17° | S | visible |
| 14 Nov-2.0 | 17:56:38 | 10° | S | 17:59:00 | 18° | SE | 17:59:14 | 18° | SE | visible |
| 14 Nov-0.5 | 19:31:59 | 10° | WSW | 19:32:09 | 11° | WSW | 19:32:09 | 11° | WSW | visible |
| 15 Nov-1.4 | 17:09:20 | 10° | SSE | 17:10:42 | 12° | SE | 17:12:05 | 10° | ESE | visible |
| 15 Nov-2.4 | 18:43:36 | 10° | SW | 18:45:44 | 33° | SSW | 18:45:44 | 33° | SSW | visible |
| 16 Nov-2.9 | 17:55:18 | 10° | SW | 17:58:23 | 35° | SSE | 17:59:13 | 30° | ESE | visible |
| 16 Nov-0.5 | 19:31:36 | 10° | W | 19:32:07 | 14° | W | 19:32:07 | 14° | W | visible |
| 17 Nov-2.2 | 17:07:09 | 10° | SSW | 17:09:57 | 25° | SE | 17:12:37 | 11° | E | visible |
| 17 Nov-2.8 | 18:43:02 | 10° | WSW | 18:45:31 | 47° | WSW | 18:45:31 | 47° | WSW | visible |
| 18 Nov-3.7 | 17:54:28 | 10° | WSW | 17:57:47 | 64° | SSE | 17:58:51 | 38° | E | visible |
| 18 Nov-0.5 | 19:31:12 | 10° | W | 19:31:44 | 14° | W | 19:31:44 | 14° | W | visible |
| 19 Nov-3.2 | 17:05:59 | 10° | SW | 17:09:12 | 46° | SSE | 17:12:08 | 12° | E | visible |
| 19 Nov-2.8 | 18:42:31 | 10° | W | 18:45:01 | 47° | W | 18:45:01 | 47° | W | visible |
| 20 Nov-3.9 | 17:53:50 | 10° | W | 17:57:11 | 86° | N | 17:58:15 | 40° | ENE | visible |
| 20 Nov-0.5 | 19:30:39 | 10° | W | 19:31:08 | 14° | W | 19:31:08 | 14° | W | visible |
| 21 Nov-3.7 | 17:05:08 | 10° | WSW | 17:08:29 | 79° | SSE | 17:11:28 | 13° | ENE | visible |
| 21 Nov-2.7 | 18:41:55 | 10° | W | 18:44:20 | 44° | WNW | 18:44:20 | 44° | WNW | visible |
| 22 Nov-3.8 | 17:53:09 | 10° | W | 17:56:31 | 74° | N | 17:57:31 | 41° | ENE | visible |
| 22 Nov-0.4 | 19:29:57 | 10° | WNW | 19:30:24 | 13° | WNW | 19:30:24 | 13° | WNW | visible |
| 23 Nov-3.8 | 17:04:22 | 10° | W | 17:07:43 | 78° | N | 17:10:41 | 13° | E | visible |
| 23 Nov-2.7 | 18:41:11 | 10° | WNW | 18:43:34 | 44° | WNW | 18:43:34 | 44° | WNW | visible |
| 24 Nov-3.9 | 17:52:22 | 10° | W | 17:55:43 | 79° | N | 17:56:45 | 41° | Е | visible |
| 24 Nov-0.4 | 19:29:09 | 10° | W | 19:29:38 | 13° | W | 19:29:38 | 13° | W | visible |
| 25 Nov-2.7 | 18:40:17 | 10° | WNW | 18:42:50 | 44° | WSW | 18:42:50 | 44° | WSW | visible |
| 26 Nov-3.7 | 17:51:25 | 10° | WNW | 17:54:45 | 76° | SSW | 17:56:04 | 34° | ESE | visible |
| 26 Nov-0.4 | 19:28:28 | 10° | W | 19:28:58 | 13° | W | 19:28:58 | 13° | W | visible |

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| 27 Nov-3.8 | 17:02:31 | 10° | WNW | 17:05:52 | 88° | N | 17:09:14 | 10° | ESE | visible |
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| 27 Nov-2.2 | 18:39:22 | 10° | W | 18:42:17 | 31° | SW | 18:42:17 | 31° | SW | visible |
| 28 Nov-2.8 | 17:50:21 | 10° | W | 17:53:34 | 45° | SSW | 17:55:42 | 18° | SE | visible |
| 29 Nov-3.3 | 17:01:22 | 10° | WNW | 17:04:41 | 62° | SSW | 17:07:59 | 10° | ESE | visible |
| 29 Nov-1.1 | 18:38:44 | 10° | W | 18:40:55 | 16° | SW | 18:42:13 | 14° | SSW | visible |
| 30 Nov-1.5 | 17:49:21 | 10° | W | 17:52:07 | 24° | SW | 17:54:52 | 10° | SSE | visible |
| 01 Dec-2.0 | 17:00:10 | 10° | W | 17:03:15 | 34° | SSW | 17:06:19 | 10° | SE | visible |
| 02 Dec-0.5 | 17:49:05 | 10° | WSW | 17:50:23 | 12° | SW | 17:51:41 | 10° | SSW | visible |
| 03 Dec-0.7 | 16:59:12 | 10° | W | 17:01:33 | 18° | SW | 17:03:53 | 10° | S | visible |