



Mars Science Laboratory
Spacecraft separating and heading to Mars

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00:00:07,249 --> 00:00:04,400
what's up for December a mission recap

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00:00:09,169 --> 00:00:07,259
and lots of planets to view hello and

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00:00:11,030 --> 00:00:09,179
welcome I'm Jane Houston Jones at NASA's

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00:00:15,230 --> 00:00:11,040
Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena

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00:00:17,029 --> 00:00:15,240
California NASA's Juno spacecraft which

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00:00:19,010 --> 00:00:17,039
launched in August will arrive at

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00:00:22,010 --> 00:00:19,020
Jupiter in 2016

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00:00:24,050 --> 00:00:22,020
Juno will map the giant planets magnetic

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00:00:27,349 --> 00:00:24,060
field and help us better understand the

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00:00:29,630 --> 00:00:27,359
strange material scientists think

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00:00:31,389 --> 00:00:29,640
Jupiter's magnetic field is generated by

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00:00:34,520 --> 00:00:31,399
an ocean of liquid metallic hydrogen

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00:00:37,010 --> 00:00:34,530

hidden within the planet metallic

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00:00:38,900 --> 00:00:37,020

hydrogen is hydrogen gas compressed so

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00:00:42,110 --> 00:00:38,910

much by gravity that it becomes an

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00:00:44,150 --> 00:00:42,120

electrically conductive liquid NASA's

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00:00:46,069 --> 00:00:44,160

twin grail spacecraft launched on a

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00:00:48,830 --> 00:00:46,079

three-month journey to the moon in

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00:00:51,529 --> 00:00:48,840

September grey of a will enter lunar

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00:00:54,290 --> 00:00:51,539

orbit on New Year's Eve and Grail B will

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00:00:56,360 --> 00:00:54,300

follow the next day then they'll spend

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00:00:58,700 --> 00:00:56,370

about two months reshaping and merging

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00:01:00,410 --> 00:00:58,710

their orbits until one spacecraft is

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00:01:03,500 --> 00:01:00,420

following the other in the same low

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00:01:07,070 --> 00:01:03,510

altitude near circular near polar orbit

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00:01:09,080 --> 00:01:07,080

and they begin formation flying NASA's

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00:01:12,080 --> 00:01:09,090

Dawn mission is using its ion propulsion

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00:01:14,899 --> 00:01:12,090

system to lower its orbital altitude a

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00:01:18,550 --> 00:01:14,909

new framing camera image is dominated by

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00:01:21,649 --> 00:01:18,560

bright raid craters of different sizes

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00:01:24,469 --> 00:01:21,659

and NASA's Mars Science Laboratory and

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00:01:26,660 --> 00:01:24,479

its rover named curiosity are on their

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00:01:29,310 --> 00:01:26,670

way to Mars after a successful launch in

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00:01:34,030 --> 00:01:31,720

through a small telescope you may be

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00:01:35,770 --> 00:01:34,040

able to see some markings on Mars but

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00:01:38,830 --> 00:01:35,780

this year and next just aren't good for

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00:01:41,800 --> 00:01:38,840

Mars viewing Venus climbs higher in the

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00:01:44,140 --> 00:01:41,810

southwest sky after sunset Jupiter

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00:01:47,500 --> 00:01:44,150

continues to shine all night long

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00:01:49,510 --> 00:01:47,510

while Mars rises in the late evening you

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00:01:54,460 --> 00:01:49,520

can even catch Saturn a few hours before

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00:01:57,250 --> 00:01:54,470

dawn and mercury just at dawn there's an

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00:02:00,010 --> 00:01:57,260

eclipse this month - on December 10th

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00:02:02,380 --> 00:02:00,020

observers in Asia Australia and on the

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00:02:05,590 --> 00:02:02,390

Pacific coast of the US will get to see

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00:02:07,780 --> 00:02:05,600

a total lunar eclipse from the west

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00:02:11,560 --> 00:02:07,790

coast the Eclipse is visible from 606

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00:02:15,100 --> 00:02:11,570

until 647 a.m. just before the moon sets

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00:02:18,370 --> 00:02:15,110

at 7:17 you can learn about the planets

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00:02:20,970 --> 00:02:18,380

at solarsystem.nasa.gov and you can

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00:02:24,700 --> 00:02:20,980

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