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00:00:04,470 --> 00:00:02,790  
[Music]

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00:00:07,430 --> 00:00:04,480  
what's up for april

3  
00:00:09,509 --> 00:00:07,440  
morning planets a sunset arch and

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00:00:12,070 --> 00:00:09,519  
finding leo the lion

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00:00:14,870 --> 00:00:12,080  
the morning sky on april 6th finds

6  
00:00:16,550 --> 00:00:14,880  
jupiter and saturn forming a lovely trio

7  
00:00:18,630 --> 00:00:16,560  
with the crescent moon

8  
00:00:21,189 --> 00:00:18,640  
look for them low in the southeast in

9  
00:00:24,230 --> 00:00:21,199  
the hour before sunrise

10  
00:00:26,310 --> 00:00:24,240  
april 22nd is earth day an annual

11  
00:00:28,630 --> 00:00:26,320  
opportunity to collectively appreciate

12  
00:00:30,310 --> 00:00:28,640  
the wonder and beauty of our home planet

13  
00:00:32,069 --> 00:00:30,320

so it seems appropriate to feature an

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00:00:33,750 --> 00:00:32,079

earth-related site you can see

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00:00:36,310 --> 00:00:33,760

any time of the year when you have clear

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00:00:37,270 --> 00:00:36,320

skies it's a twilight phenomenon that

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00:00:40,470 --> 00:00:37,280

you might have noticed

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00:00:42,389 --> 00:00:40,480

just after sunset if you can pull your

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00:00:43,990 --> 00:00:42,399

gaze away from the sunset in the west

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00:00:46,950 --> 00:00:44,000

and spin yourself around to

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00:00:49,590 --> 00:00:46,960

face east you'll often notice a band of

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00:00:51,430 --> 00:00:49,600

pink or orange colored sky with a darker

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00:00:53,670 --> 00:00:51,440

bluish band underneath

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00:00:55,830 --> 00:00:53,680

these bands move upward over the minutes

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00:00:58,229 --> 00:00:55,840

following sunset to form an arch across

26  
00:00:58,869 --> 00:00:58,239  
the sky that slowly fades as night sets

27  
00:01:04,869 --> 00:00:58,879  
in

28  
00:01:05,509 --> 00:01:04,879  
above it the rosy hued band is known as

29  
00:01:08,469 --> 00:01:05,519  
the belt

30  
00:01:10,710 --> 00:01:08,479  
of venus we observe this site for a

31  
00:01:12,230 --> 00:01:10,720  
short time after sunset when the sun is

32  
00:01:13,830 --> 00:01:12,240  
just below the horizon

33  
00:01:15,270 --> 00:01:13,840  
but some of its light rays are still

34  
00:01:16,630 --> 00:01:15,280  
making their way through the atmosphere

35  
00:01:18,630 --> 00:01:16,640  
before nightfall

36  
00:01:20,469 --> 00:01:18,640  
the redder or longer wavelengths of

37  
00:01:21,990 --> 00:01:20,479  
sunlight are able to travel the longest

38  
00:01:24,230 --> 00:01:22,000

distance through the atmosphere

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00:01:26,070 --> 00:01:24,240

and at the point opposite to the sunset

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00:01:28,469 --> 00:01:26,080

this reddish light is scattered off the

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00:01:30,710 --> 00:01:28,479

atmosphere and back toward your eyes

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00:01:33,270 --> 00:01:30,720

the belt of venus is named not for the

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00:01:34,950 --> 00:01:33,280

planet but for the mythical goddess

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00:01:38,149 --> 00:01:34,960

together with earth's shadow these

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00:01:40,469 --> 00:01:38,159

sights form the anti-twilight arch

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00:01:42,630 --> 00:01:40,479

this arch rises like a curtain on the

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00:01:44,310 --> 00:01:42,640

night slowly fading as earth's shadow

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00:01:46,069 --> 00:01:44,320

eventually fills the sky

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00:01:48,550 --> 00:01:46,079

allowing us to gaze outward into the

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00:01:50,149 --> 00:01:48,560

stars you can see this sight in morning

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00:01:52,310 --> 00:01:50,159

twilight as well by looking in the

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00:01:54,630 --> 00:01:52,320

direction opposite the rising sun

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00:01:55,670 --> 00:01:54,640

that is toward the west as the sky

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00:01:57,830 --> 00:01:55,680

begins to lighten

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00:01:59,429 --> 00:01:57,840

earth's shadow becomes noticeable with

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00:02:01,190 --> 00:01:59,439

the belt of venus above it

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00:02:04,789 --> 00:02:01,200

and these bands slowly sink to the

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00:02:09,190 --> 00:02:07,670

april is a great time to look for leo

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00:02:12,470 --> 00:02:09,200

that is the constellation

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00:02:14,309 --> 00:02:12,480

leo leo is the latin word for lion

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00:02:16,229 --> 00:02:14,319

and this well-known grouping of stars is

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00:02:19,110 --> 00:02:16,239

named for a super-powered lion

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00:02:20,790 --> 00:02:19,120

vanquished by the mythical hero hercules

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00:02:22,630 --> 00:02:20,800

it's a pretty easy constellation to

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00:02:24,949 --> 00:02:22,640

locate because it sort of looks like a

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00:02:26,869 --> 00:02:24,959

lion reclining in the sky and has this

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00:02:29,750 --> 00:02:26,879

recognizable curving shape called the

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00:02:31,990 --> 00:02:29,760

sickle that represents the lion's head

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00:02:33,589 --> 00:02:32,000

in april you can find leo high overhead

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00:02:34,949 --> 00:02:33,599

in the south in the first few hours

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00:02:36,470 --> 00:02:34,959

after sunset

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00:02:38,390 --> 00:02:36,480

in addition to the sickle shape of the

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00:02:41,030 --> 00:02:38,400

lion's head look for the lion's

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00:02:42,630 --> 00:02:41,040

heart the brilliant bluish-white star

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00:02:44,229 --> 00:02:42,640

regulus which is one of the brightest

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00:02:46,229 --> 00:02:44,239

stars in the sky

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00:02:48,309 --> 00:02:46,239

astronomers think most stars have a

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00:02:50,630 --> 00:02:48,319

family of planets orbiting them

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00:02:52,869 --> 00:02:50,640

and these two bright stars in leo named

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00:02:55,350 --> 00:02:52,879

algiba which is actually a double star

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00:02:57,110 --> 00:02:55,360

and raceless each have a confirmed

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00:02:58,149 --> 00:02:57,120

planet larger than jupiter orbiting

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00:03:00,149 --> 00:02:58,159

around them

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00:03:02,149 --> 00:03:00,159

so step out after dark in april to look

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00:03:02,630 --> 00:03:02,159

for leo with its sickle-shaped lion's

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00:03:05,750 --> 00:03:02,640

mane

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00:03:07,270 --> 00:03:05,760

and blazing bluish heart

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00:03:09,750 --> 00:03:07,280

here are the phases of the moon for

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00:03:13,190 --> 00:03:11,350

you can catch up on all of nasa's

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00:03:15,270 --> 00:03:13,200

missions to explore the solar system and

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00:03:16,869 --> 00:03:15,280

beyond at [nasa.gov](http://nasa.gov)

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00:03:18,949 --> 00:03:16,879

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