

The Harvest Moon Rises with Saturn

Shortly after sunset on **September 26 & 27**, the Harvest Full Moon will rise in the East accompanied by the gas giant planet Saturn in the constellation Pisces – the Fishes. You will need an unobstructed view low to the eastern horizon to watch this alignment, as they rise into the night sky.

Saturn reaches opposition (opposite the Earth from the Sun) on October 4th this year, and its rings are now tilting up about 7.5°, exposing the planet's southern hemisphere and an improving view of the ring system as well. Even a small telescope, at 60 magnification or more, will expose the grandeur of our planetary “lord of the rings”. Enjoy the view!

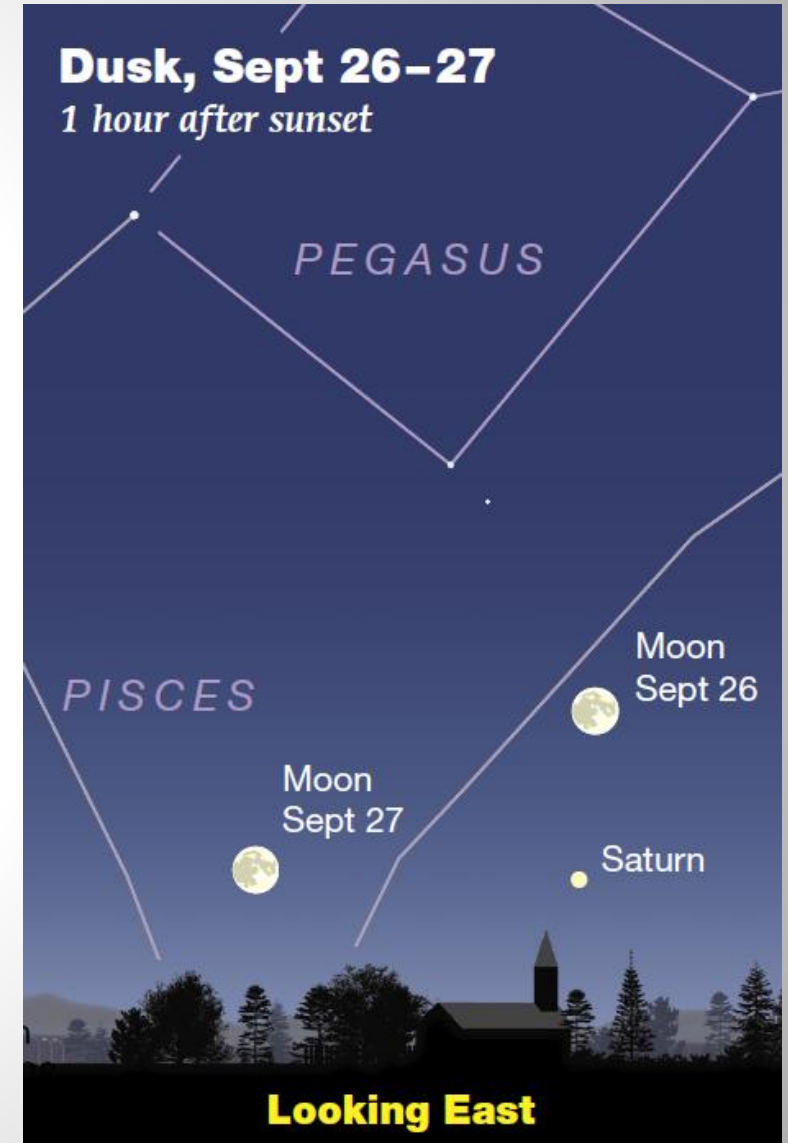


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