

Exoplanets Day

True or false: Our solar system is the only solar system with planets.

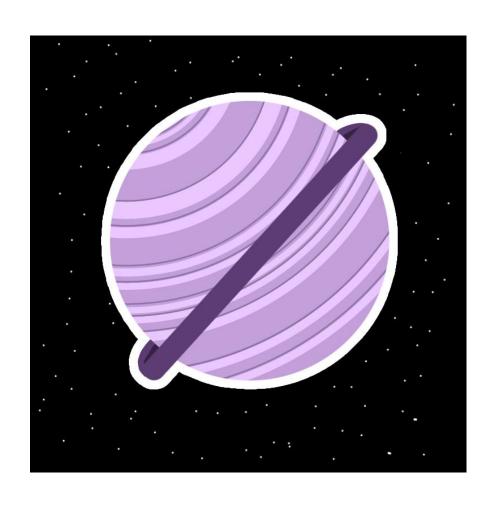
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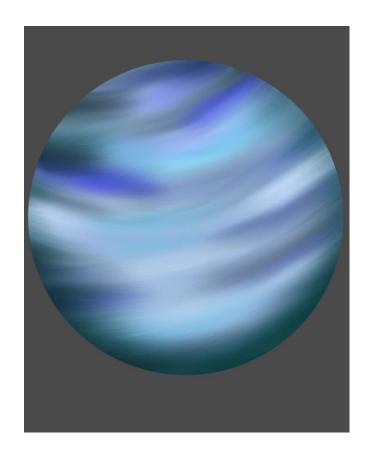
Over 5,000 confirmed

And there are way more awaiting confirmation right now



What is an exoplanet?







Ways to find exoplanets

Radial Velocity

Watch for the wobble in the light spectrum

Gravity Changes

Light is bent by gravity (microlensing)

Transit

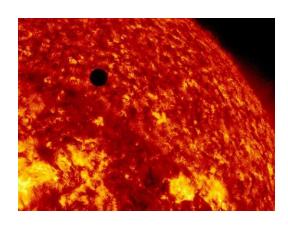
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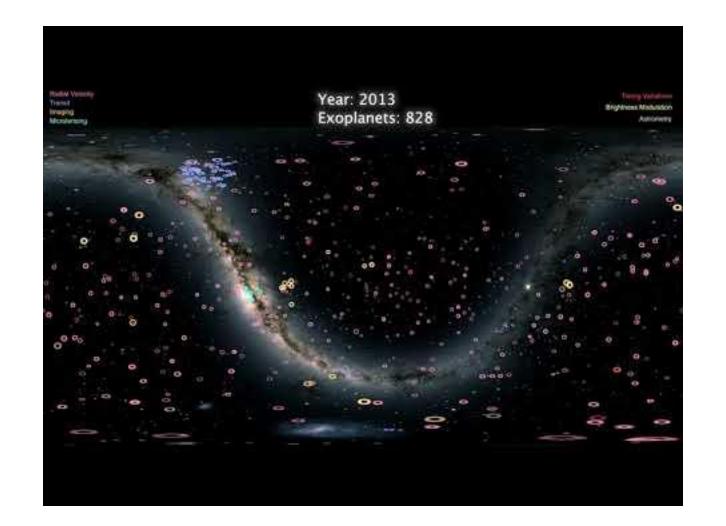
Direct Image

Take a picture of it

Astrometry

Watch for movement in relation to nearby stars





Explore!

NASA's Site

Explore NASA's site on exoplanets here. Read through the articles, look at the pictures, and be prepared to answer some questions about exoplanets.



Links to Check Out

Eyes on Exoplanets

Explore Milky Way exoplanets here

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View travel posters <u>here</u>

Time's Article

The history of the hunt here

Play to relocate aliens <u>here</u>

Scary Exoplanets

Worlds gone wrong here



Give a definition of an exoplanet.

