

# STARRY NIGHTS

December 2017



## HOW TO USE THIS MAP

MPM's sky map shows the night sky as it appears on various dates and times. The sky lies overhead so we've designed the map to be held above your head. Compass directions are indicated along the edge of the circle. Turn the sky map around its center so the compass direction that appears along the bottom of the map is the same as the direction that you face. Begin by using the sky map to find a bright star pattern in the sky.

## BEST VIEWS

This chart should be used within an hour of the times listed: 9 p.m. December 1, 8 p.m. December 15, and 7 p.m. December 31. It is drawn for 43 degrees latitude but December be applied throughout the continental United States.

## DECEMBER MORNING SKY

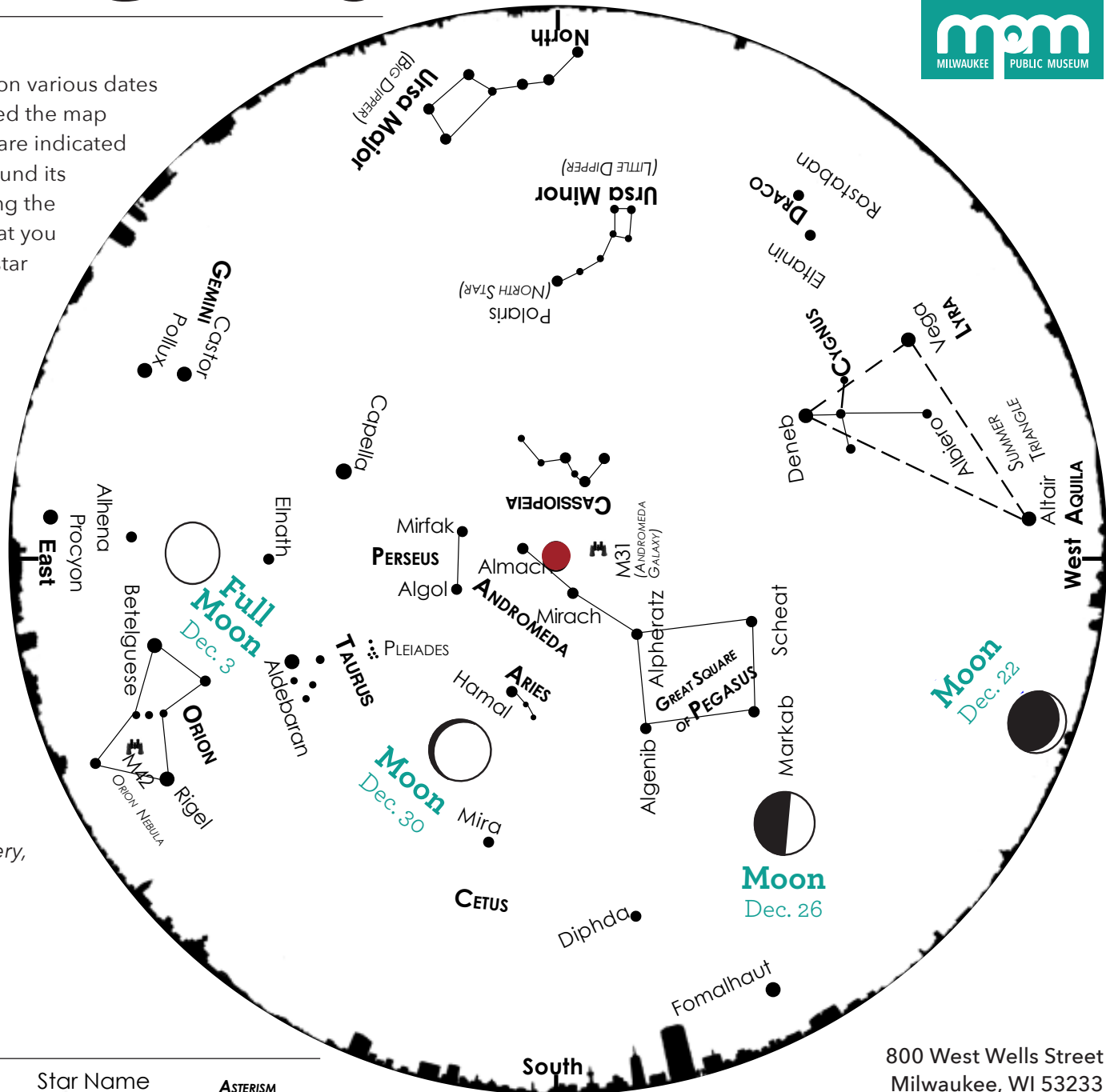
Jupiter is big, bright, and unmistakable in the Southeast. Venus sinks lower and lower in Southeast and will be hard to see after the first week of December. Mars is near the bright star Spica, much higher in Southeast.

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Star Name  
**KEY: CONSTITUTION** Asterism  
 Binocular sights

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