## Suggested Observing List

, INTERNATIONAL OBSERVE THE MOON NIGHT
Under the Same Moon

The Moon on September 22, 2012 presents a wide range of fascinating features for observers using telescopes, binoculars, and even just the unaided eye. Observers using just their eyes will see a number of mare or seas, vast plains of solidified lava. Binocular observers will be able to see a number of additional smaller mare and may just be able to glimpse the elusive Mare Australe. Telescopic features include craters, mountain ranges, valleys, and volcanic features. Selected telescopic features are on the lunar terminator, the line between day and night on the Moon, where lighting makes elevated features stand out best. Note that the terminator will move from east to west throughout the day, so observers at different locations on the Earth will see the terminator in different positions and experience different visibility of features on the terminator.


Unaided eye objects Binocular objects Telescopic objects

|  | Object | Lon | Lat | Diam/ Length (km) | Lunar $100$ | Rukl Chart | Description |
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| - | Mare/highland dichotomy | - | - | - | 3 | - | Light highlands and dark, low mare terrain |
| - | Earthshine | - | - | - | 2 | - | Night side of the Moon faintly illuminated by sunlight reflecting off of Earth |
| 1 | Mare Serenitatis | 16E | 28N | 674 | - | 24 | Large lava-filled impact basin |
| 2 | Mare Tranquilitatis | 30E | 6N | 873 | - | 36 | Large mare about the size of the Black Sea on Earth |
| 3 | Mare Nectaris | 34E | 15S | 350 | - | 58 | Lava-filled impact basin south of Tranquilitatis |
| 4 | Mare Fecunditatis | 48E | 4S | 840 | - | 48 | Lava-filled impact basin southeast of Tranquilitatis |
| 5 | Mare Crisium | 58E | 16N | 570 | 10 | 26 | Lava-filled impact basin northeast of Tranquilitatis |
| 6 | Mare Frigoris | 1E | 56N | 1600 | 26 | 5 | Arcuate mare of uncertain origin |
| 7 | Mare Vaporum | 4E | 13N | 245 | - | 33 | Small mare southwest of Serenitatis |
| 8 | Sinus Medii | 2E | 2N | 350 | - | 33 | Small mare at center of near side of the Moon |
| 9 | Mare Undarum | 68E | 6N | 243 | - | 38 | Small mare southeast of Crisium |
| 10 | Mare Spumans | 64E | 1N | 139 | - | 38 | Small mare east of Fecunditatis |
| 11 | Mare Australe | 84E | 50S | 880 | 56 | 69,76 | Much of this mare lies on the far side of the Moon, but on nights of favorable lunar tilt (like tonight) it can just be glimpsed |
| 12 | Apennine Mountains | 4W | 19N | 600 | 4 | 22 | Spectacular mountain range reaching over 5000m heights |
| 13 | Caucasus <br> Mountains | 10E | 40N | 520 | - | 13 | Prominent mountain range north of Apennines |
| 14 | Alps Mountains | 0 | 46N | 250 | - | 12 | Prominent mountain range includes Alpine Valley |
| 15 | Haemus Mountains | 11E | 19N | 400 | - | 23 | On southwest edge of Mare Serenitatis |
| 16 | Albategnius | 4E | 11S | 136 | - | 44 | Large flat-floored crater |
| 17 | Ptolemaeus | 2W | 9S | 153 | - | 44 | Prominent flat-floored crater |
| 18 | Alphonsus | 3W | 13 S | 119 | - | 44 | Large crater with prominent central peak and volcanic pits with dark haloes |
| 19 | Arzachel | 2W | 18S | 97 | - | 55 | Large crater with terraced walls and prominent central peak |
| 20 | Alpine Valley | 3E | 49N | 165 | 19 | 4 | Large graben in the Alps |
| 21 | Hyginus | 6.3E | 7.8 N | 10.6 | - | 34 | Small rimless crater, possibly of volcanic origin amid Hyginus rille |
| 22 | Ariadaeus Rille | 13E | 7N | 220 | - | 34 | Prominent straight rille |
| 23 | Hyginus Rille | 7N | 7E | 220 | 24 | 34 | Prominent straight rille with multiple collapse pits |
| 24 | Triesnecker Rille | 4E | 4N | 215 | 35 | 33 | System of straight rilles |
| 25 | Hadley Rille | 3E | 25N | 80 | 66 | 22 | Sinuous rille in a bay on west of Apennine Mtns; explored by Apollo 15. (challenging) |
| 26 | Bradley Rille | 1E | 22N | 130 | - | 22 | Prominent straight rille |
| 27 | Valentine Dome | 30.5E | 10.1 N | 30 | 89 | 13 | Large volcanic dome (challenging) |
| 28 | Tranquility Base | 23.5E | 0.7 N | - | - | 35 | Apollo 11 landing site |



Terminator at 8UT Sept 22


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