



Flagstaff Dark Skies Coalition

To Celebrate, Promote and Protect Dark Skies

Dark Sky Moment – June 2019

June evenings take us into deep space! The band of the winter Milky Way has set in the west; the summer Milky Way is peeking over the eastern horizon... Looking overhead early on June nights our gaze passes sideways out of the flattened pinwheel of the Milky Way Galaxy. Though our galaxy is 100,000 light-years across, the sparkling overhead stars of June evenings are much closer. When looking sideways like this the stars thin out quickly – only about 500 light-years, and your gaze enters the starless deep space between galaxies!

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