

Forthcoming Lucky Star predictions

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Objects

- ▶ TNOs, Centaurs and Trojans (~ 360)
- ▶ chosen by their scientific interests, size, current position in the sky, ...

Ephemeris

- ▶ Using NIMA ephemeris
- ▶ Update regularly with astrometric positions from Brazil, Spain, ...
- ▶ and with previous positive occultations

Predictions

- ▶ Predictions of stellar occultations for the current year

Lucky Star predictions webpage

<http://lesia.obspm.fr/lucky-star/>



Predictions of stellar occultations by TNOs and Centaurs in 2019

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This page presents the prediction of occultations by selected TNOs and Centaurs for 2019. These predictions are made in the framework of Lucky Star project (led by B. Sicardy) and in collaboration with groups from Paris, Meudon, Granada and Rio.

For specific campaigns, you can have a look to [campaigns page](#).

Information about the predictions can be found in [Assafin et al. \(2010\)](#) for Pluto system predictions, [Assafin et al. \(2012\)](#) for the TNO predictions, [Camargo et al. \(2014\)](#) for TNO and Centaur predictions. Ephemerides of the selected objects come from [Desmars et al. \(2015\)](#) and they are regularly updated (see 'Ephemerides' section) thanks to observations from Minor Planet Center and our own observations made at ESO, Pic du Midi, Calar Alto, Sierra Nevada and Observatorio do Pico dos Dias, and also from astrometric positions coming from the Dark Energy Survey ([Banda-Huarca et al., 2019](#)). Predictions make use of Gaia DR2 ([Gaia Collaboration, 2018](#)) for the position of the stars and the proper motions.

You can choose to display the events only visible for a specific place

IMPORTANT: If you plan to observe one of these predicted events, please contact [J. Desmars](#) .

Date filter:

2019-09-01 2019-11-02

Object filter :

Magnitude filter:

4.0 18.0

Zone Selection :

(East-Asia, Europe & North Africa, Oceania, Southern Africa, North America, South America)

| Date | Object | G* mag | Zone | Map |
|-------------------|-----------|--------|---------------|-----|
| 2019-Sep-01 03:30 | Amycus | 17.7 | South America | |
| 2019-Sep-01 03:32 | Cebriones | 12.7 | North America | |

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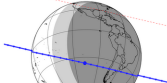
Longitude: ° (East positive) Latitude: ° (North positive)

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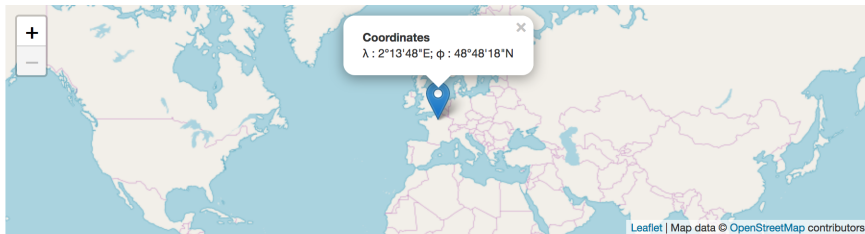
Predictions of stellar occultations by TNOs and Centaurs in 2019

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This page presents the prediction of occultations by selected TNOs and Centaurs for 2019 for the place with the following coordinates:

Longitude: 02°13'48.2"E

Latitude: 48°48'18.0"N



Events for which the sun is below the horizon (i.e. sun's elevation smaller than 0°) and the object is above the horizon (i.e. object's elevation greater than 0°), are displayed in the following table.

Date filter:

2019-08-24 2019-10-25

Object elevation:

Object filter :

Probability:

Magnitude filter:

7.0 18.0

Date filter:

2019-08-24 2019-10-25

Object filter :

Magnitude filter:

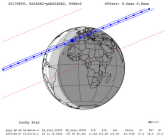
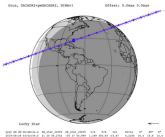
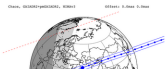
7.0 18.0

Object elevation:

10° 90°

Probability:

3 % 100 %

| Date | Object | G* mag | H _{obj} | Probability | Map |
|-------------------|----------|--------|------------------|-------------|---|
| 2019-Aug-27 21:23 | 2017OF69 | 17.2 | 33.4° | 5.6% |  |
| 2019-Aug-28 03:02 | Orus | 16.4 | 13.3° | 5.3% |  |
| 2019-Sep-02 03:20 | Choo | 17.7 | 42.3° | 4.1% |  |

Occultation by 2003VS2 (2019-10-22)

[Link to the global page](#)

[Map](#)

[Circumstances](#)

[Star & Object](#)

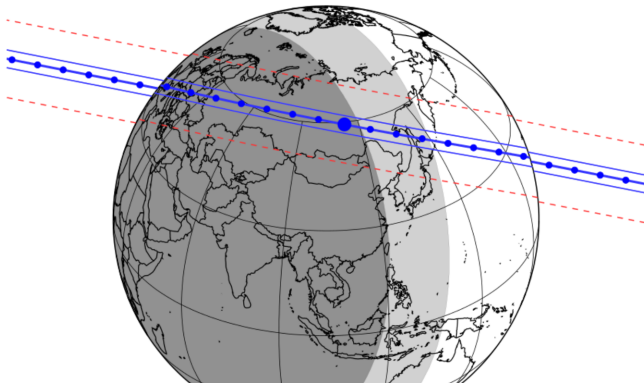
[Sky Map](#)

[Interactive Map](#)

Occultation map

2003VS2, GAIADR2+pmGAIADR2, NIMAv8

Offset: 0.0mas 0.0mas

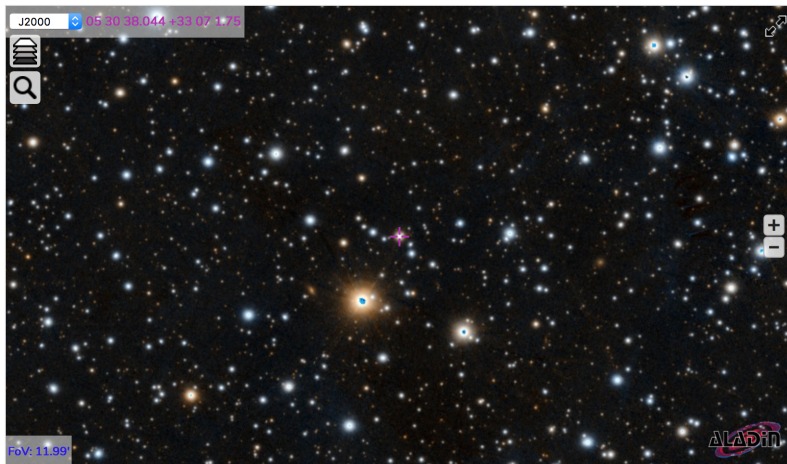


Local circumstances

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Longitude | 02°13'48.2"E |
| Latitude | 48°48'18.0"N |
| Mid-time | 20h43m15s ± 02m35s |
| <u>Impact parameter</u> | 613 ± 876 km |
| Object elevation | 18.9° |
| Expected duration | 0s |
| Object azimuth | 61° |
| Sun elevation | -38.1° |
| Probability of occultation | 18.5% |

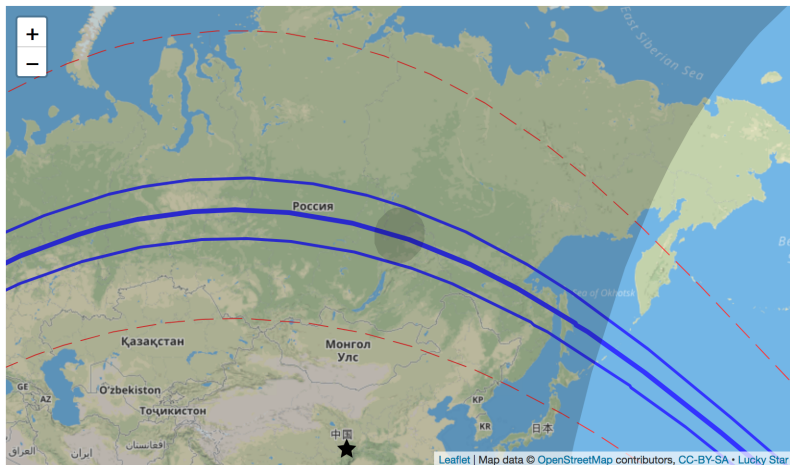
Global circumstances

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Date | Tue. 22 Oct. 2019 20:36:56 |
| <u>Star position (ICRF)</u> | 05 30 38.0442 +33 07 01.748 |
| <u>C/A</u> | 0.110 arcsec |
| <u>P/A</u> | 11.08 ° |
| <u>velocity</u> | -13.01 km/s |

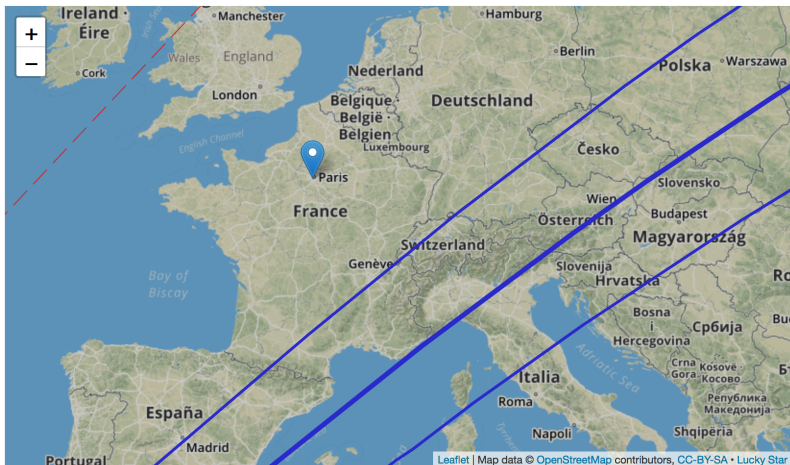


[link to sky-map](#)

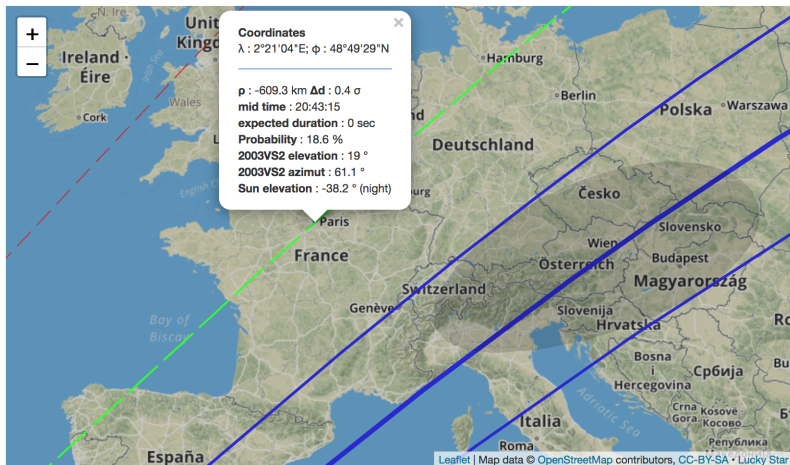
For declination above -25° , Pan-STARRS survey is displayed by default whereas below -25° , DSS is displayed.



The large blue line represents the centrality of the nominal prediction. The thin blue lines represent the body's limits of the nominal prediction. Red dotted lines show the 1- σ uncertainty on the body's limits. The grey area represents the night part on Earth and the light blue area represents the region on Earth where the object is not visible. The shadow at mid-time for the selected place is displayed. The Sun symbol



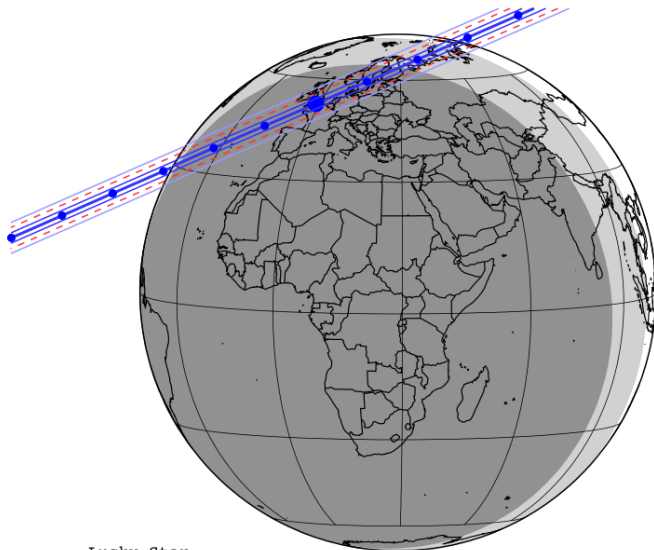
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Forthcoming Lucky Star occultations

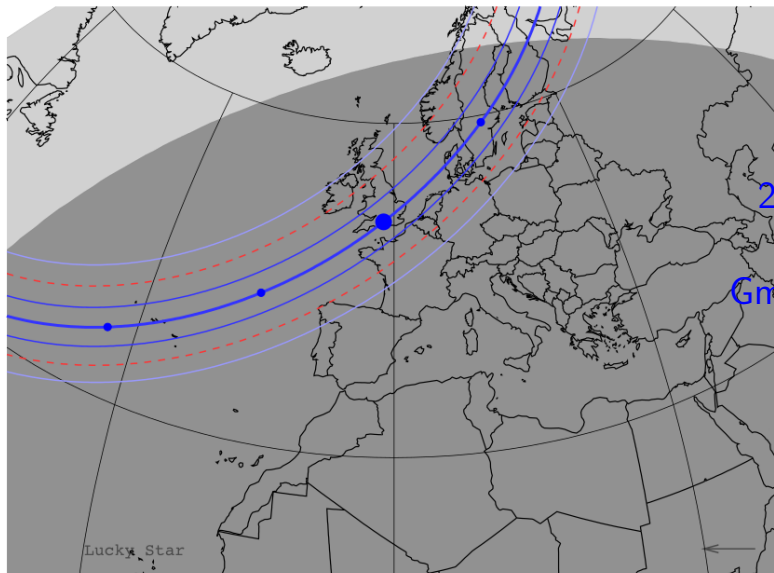
2019



2019.09.08
Chiron
Gmag* = 16.7

Lucky Star

| yyyy mm dd hh:mm:ss.s | RA_star_J2000 | DE_star_J2000 | C/A | P/A | vel | Delta | G* | RP* | H* |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2019-09-08 23:04:26.5 | 00 10 12.7430 | +04 37 04.914 | 0.392 | 336.30 | -22.80 | 17.8500 | 16.7 | 16.1 | 15.0 |



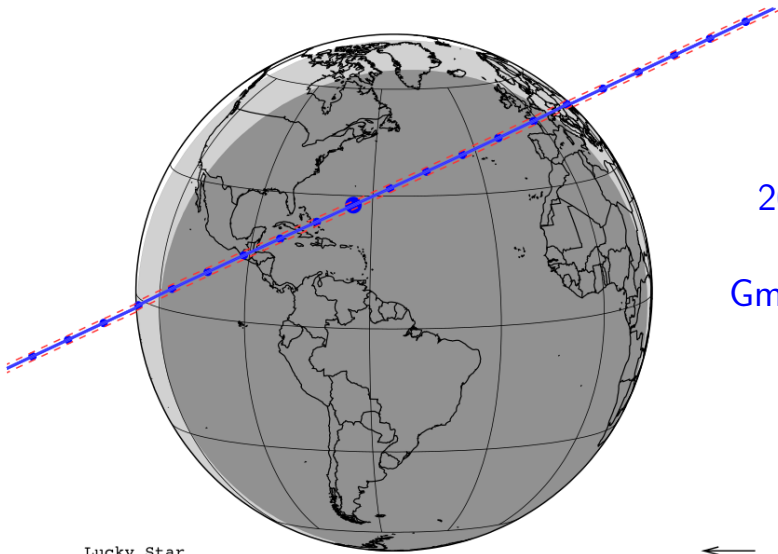
2019.09.08

Chiron

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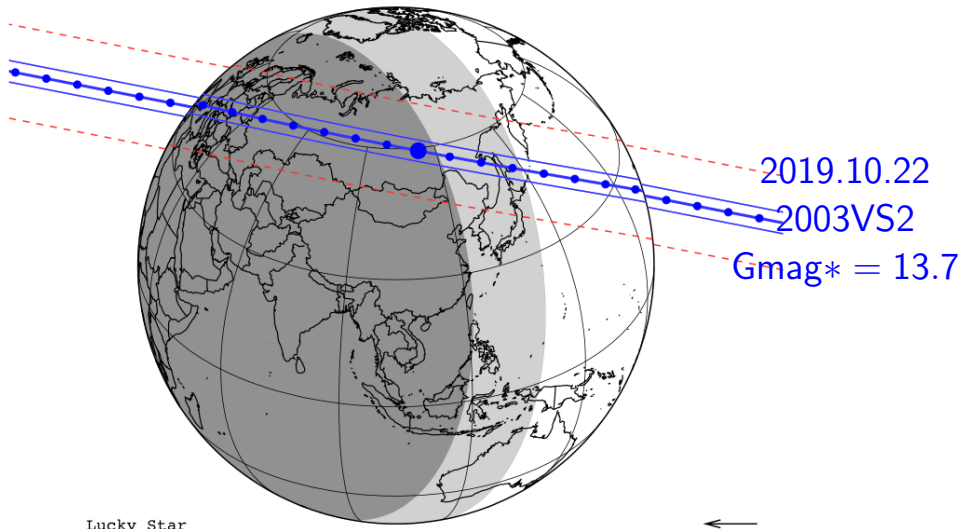


2019.09.12
Leucus
Gmag* = 13.6

Lucky Star

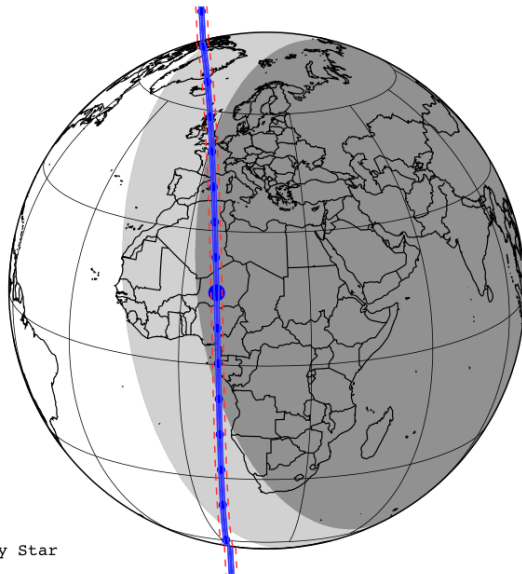


| yyyy mm dd hh:mm:ss.s | RA_star_J2000 | DE_star_J2000 | C/A | P/A | vel | Delta | G* | RP* | H* |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|------|
| 2019-09-12 03:05:47.7 | 22 49 49.2002 | +07 59 30.653 | 0.787 | 334.88 | -16.22 | 4.1449 | 13.6 | 12.9 | 11.5 |



Lucky Star

| yyyy mm dd hh:mm:ss.s | RA_star_J2000 | DE_star_J2000 | C/A | P/A | vel | Delta | G* | RP* | H* |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|-------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2019-10-22 20:36:56.5 | 05 30 38.0442 | +33 07 01.748 | 0.110 | 11.08 | -13.01 | 36.1211 | 13.7 | 12.8 | 10.7 |

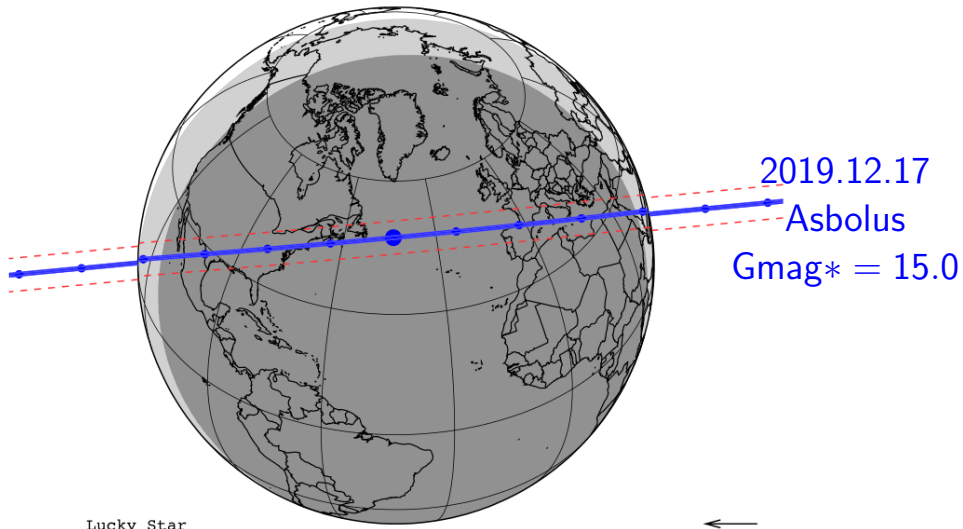


2019.10.30
Antilochus
Gmag* = 13.3

Lucky Star

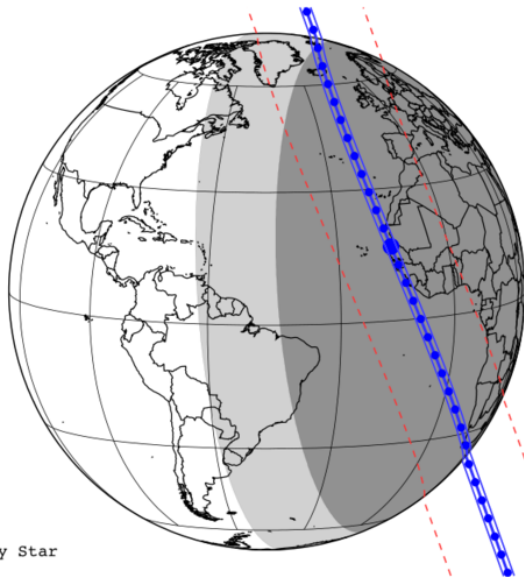


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|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|------|------|------|
| 2019-10-30 18:28:36.2 | 22 22 54.8529 | +16 53 49.792 | 0.395 | 266.95 | 14.53 | 4.3622 | 13.3 | 12.8 | 12.0 |



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|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2019-12-17 02:25:41.2 | 05 13 31.1886 | +40 53 17.635 | 0.043 | 354.56 | -25.81 | 21.6656 | 15.0 | 14.2 | 12.6 |

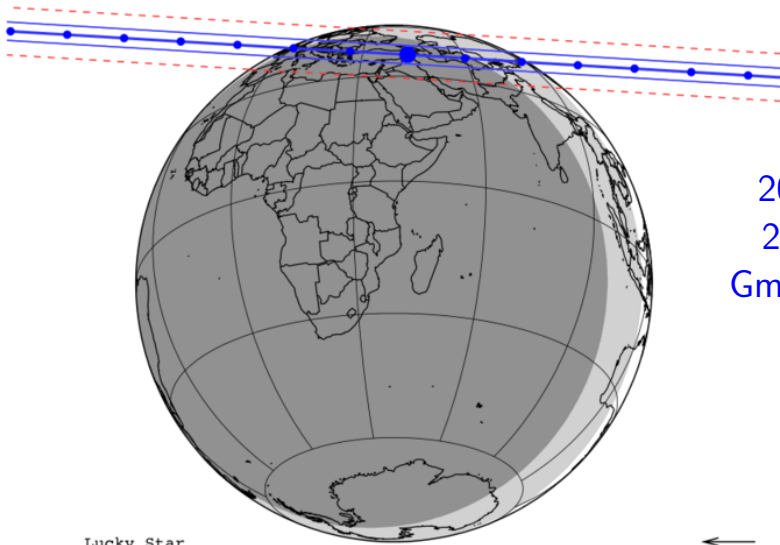
2020



2020.03.06
2002VE95
Gmag* = 15.8

Lucky Star

| yyyy mm dd hh:mm:ss.s | RA_star_J2000 | DE_star_J2000 | C/A | P/A | vel | Delta | G* | RP* | H* |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2020-03-06 22:17:37.5 | 06 10 08.8653 | +07 29 00.439 | 0.150 | 70.27 | -7.91 | 29.9515 | 15.8 | 15.1 | 13.7 |

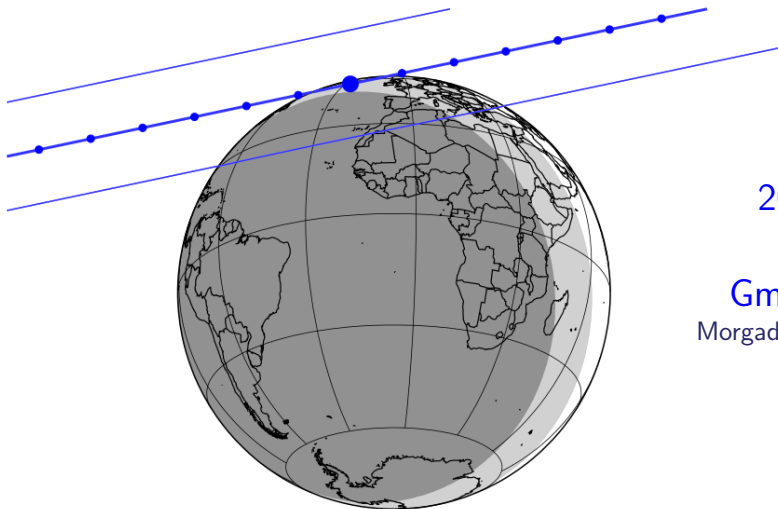


2020.05.26
2002KX14
Gmag* = 14.7

Lucky Star

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|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2020-05-26 22:29:13.5 | 17 24 20.6730 | -23 21 50.203 | 0.205 | 3.43 | -23.41 | 38.0146 | 14.7 | 13.7 | 11.0 |

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2020.06.22

Europa

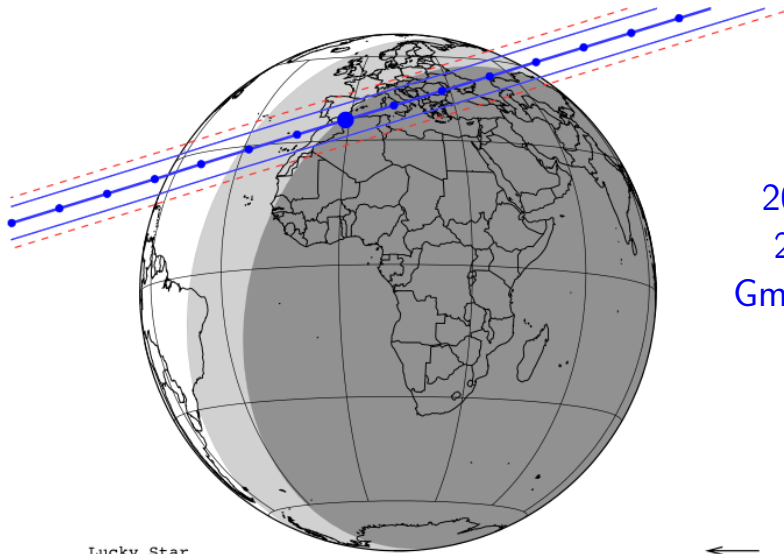
 $G_{\text{mag}^*} = 11.3$ Morgado *et al.* A&A 2019

Lucky Star



| yyyy mm dd hh:mm:ss.s | RA_star_J2000 | DE_star_J2000 | C/A | P/A | vel | Delta | G* | RP* |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|
| 2020-06-22 02:08:49.4 | 19 47 01.3431 | -21 26 03.732 | 2.053 | 348.12 | -26.06 | 4.2146 | 11.6 | 10.8 |

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2020.08.08
2002MS4
Gmag* = 14.7

Lucky Star



| yyyy mm dd hh:mm:ss.s | RA_star_J2000 | DE_star_J2000 | C/A | P/A | vel | Delta | G* | RP* | H* |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2020-08-08 20:44:21.1 | 18 47 29.9638 | -06 16 31.473 | 0.134 | 342.98 | -20.53 | 45.6937 | 14.7 | 13.6 | 11.3 |

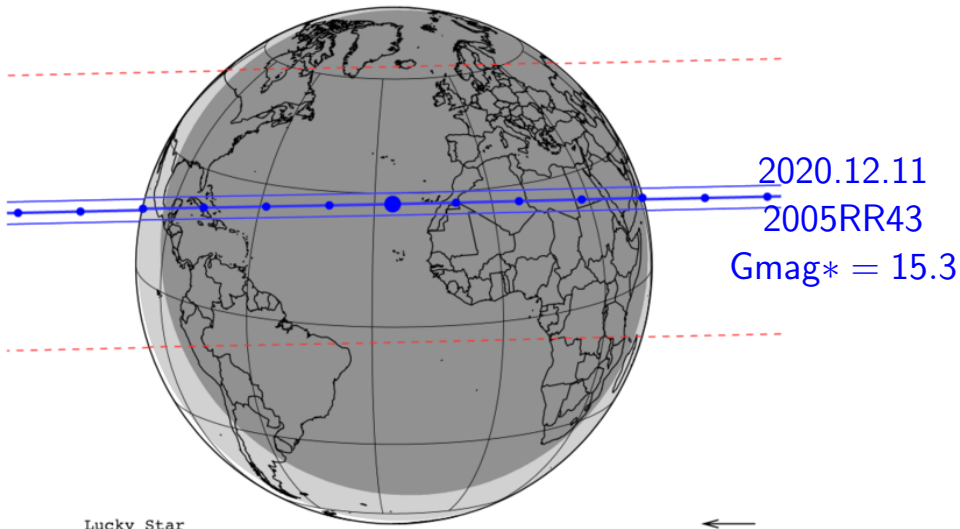


2020.10.23
 Bienor
 $G_{mag^*} = 15.9$

Lucky Star

| yyyy mm dd hh:mm:ss.s | RA_star_J2000 | DE_star_J2000 | C/A | P/A | vel | Delta | G* | RP* | H* |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2020-10-23 02:13:39.4 | 04 55 55.7363 | +44 23 18.844 | 0.121 | 205.40 | -14.26 | 13.6072 | 15.9 | 15.2 | 13.9 |

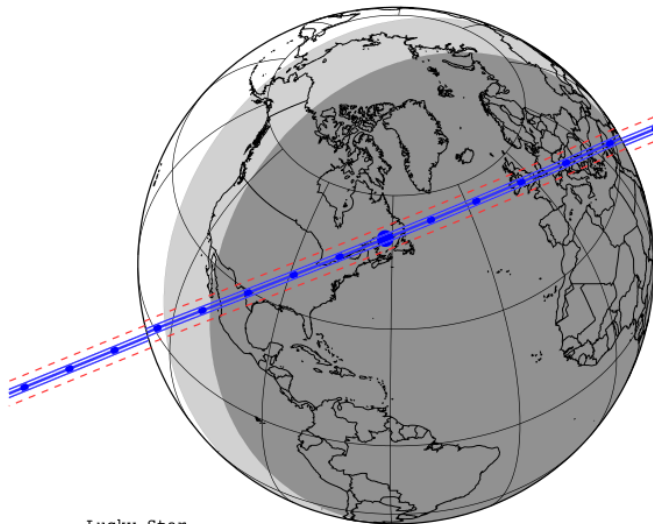
... a dense December 2020 ...



Lucky Star

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|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2020-12-11 01:00:46.0 | 04 39 55.2807 | +13 44 56.652 | 0.053 | 358.79 | -25.73 | 38.9447 | 15.3 | 14.3 | 12.1 |

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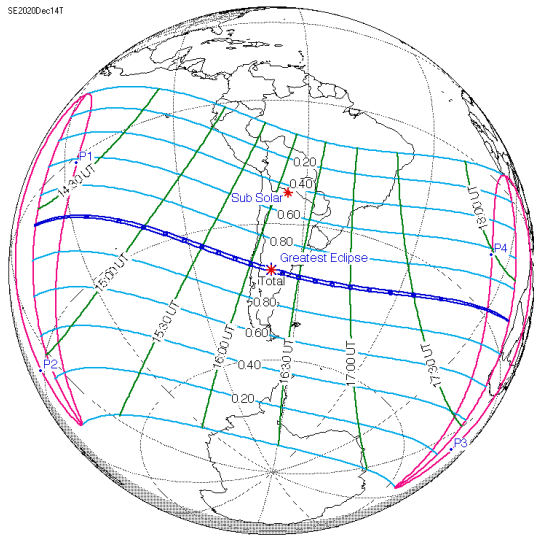


2020.12.29
 Bienor
 $G_{mag*} = 13.3$

Lucky Star



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|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|------|------|------|
| 2020-12-29 02:02:18.3 | 04 37 54.3245 | +44 14 40.527 | 0.072 | 337.78 | -20.08 | 13.3516 | 13.3 | 13.0 | 12.4 |




2020.12.14

Moon

mag = -26.7

NASA F .Espenak



2020.12.21
Jupiter and Saturn
Great conjunction (6')
NO OCCULTATION !!

Thank you / Merci !