

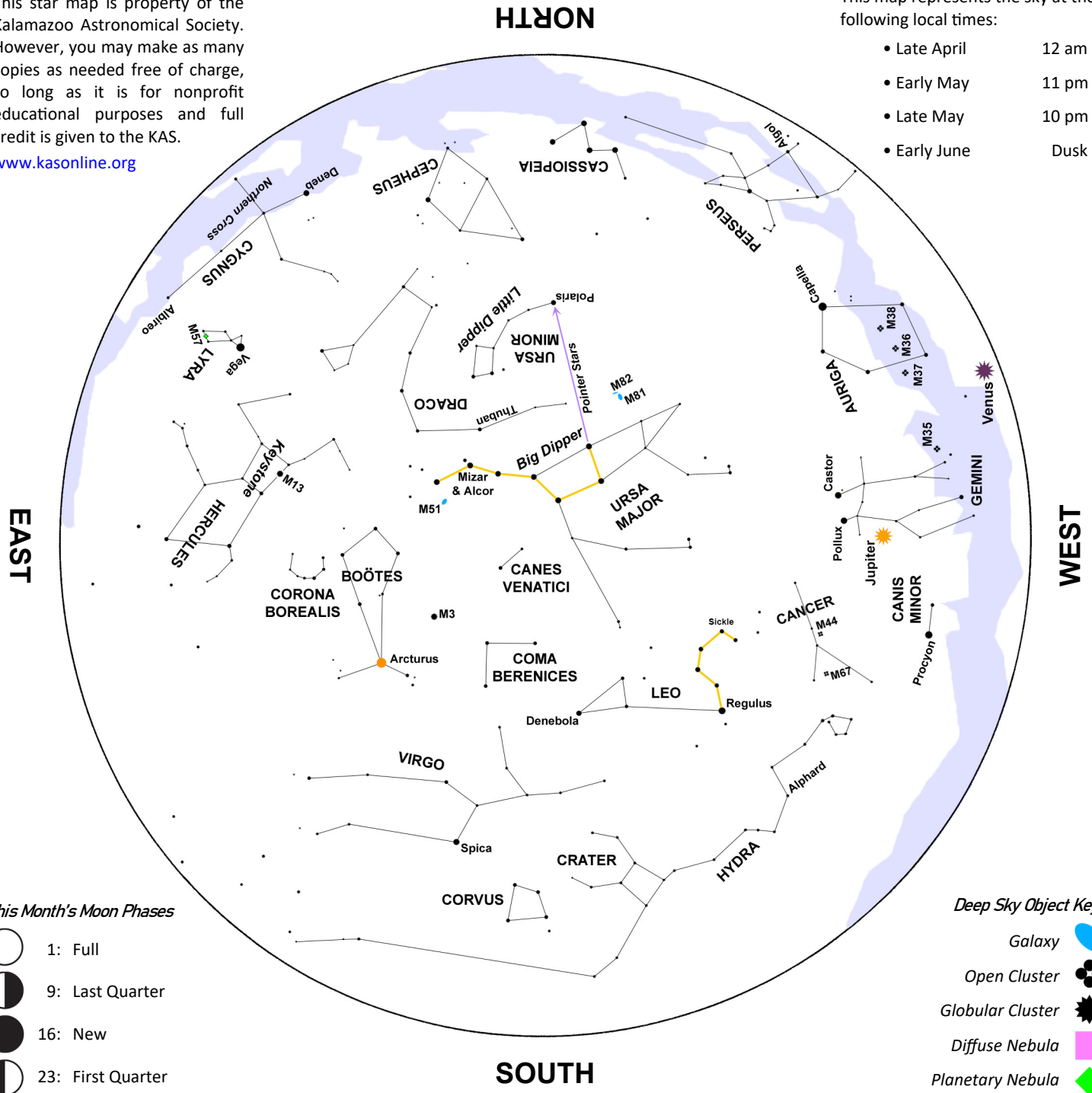
May Night Sky

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This map represents the sky at the following local times:






- Late April 12 am
- Early May 11 pm
- Late May 10 pm
- Early June Dusk



This Month's Moon Phases

-  1: Full
-  9: Last Quarter
-  16: New
-  23: First Quarter

Deep Sky Object Key

-  Galaxy
-  Open Cluster
-  Globular Cluster
-  Diffuse Nebula
-  Planetary Nebula

Face southeast shortly before midnight on May 3rd to witness a waning gibbous Moon rising alongside Scorpius' brightest star, Antares, which will be positioned about 1½° above the Moon.

On May 18th, at dusk, look for a two-day-old waxing crescent Moon, featuring earthshine, located 2½° to the upper right of brilliant Venus. Using binoculars will greatly

enhance this beautiful scene, especially as twilight deepens and the pair descends toward the northwestern horizon.

The two brightest planets, Jupiter and Venus, will follow the crescent Moon shortly after dusk on May 22nd. Jupiter will be approximately 7° to the lower right of the Moon, with Venus positioned even farther to the lower right.

High above the west-southwestern horizon at dusk on May 22nd, a first-quarter Moon will appear 3° to the lower right of Regulus.

On May 26th at dusk, a waxing gibbous Moon will be 5½° to the right of Spica, another of spring's brightest stars in Virgo.

Finally, on May 30th, the nearly full Moon will be 2½° ahead of Antares.