

For key dates, yellow dots indicate what part of the Moon's limb is tipped the most toward Earth by libration under favorable illumination.

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The Moon • May 2012

Phases

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FULL MOON

May 6 3:35 UT

LAST QTR MOON

May 12 21:47 UT

NEW MOON

May 20 23:47 UT

FIRST-QTR MOON

May 28 20:16 UT

Distances

Perigee 220,160 miles May 6, 4^h UT diam. 33′ 44″

Apogee

May 19, 16^h UT

249,182 miles di

diam. 29′ 48″

Librations

Pythagoras (crater)

Byrd (crater) May 6 Plutarch (crater) May 7

Langrenus (crater)

May 8

May 5