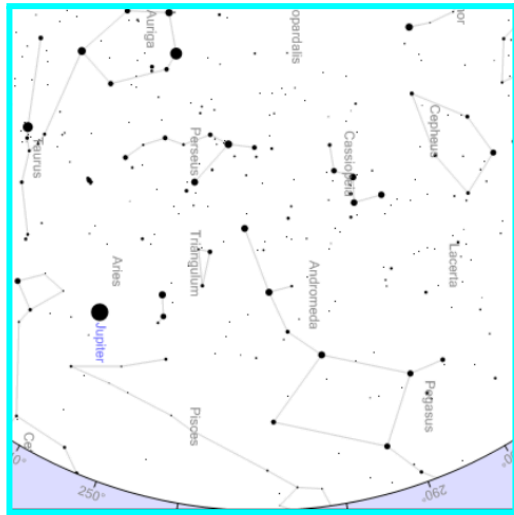
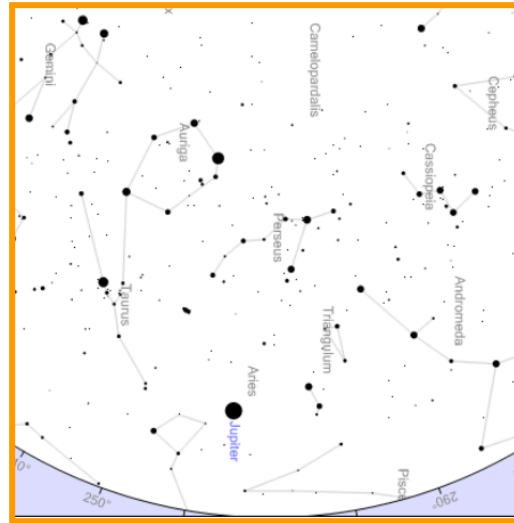


Visual aids to accompany StarDate Susitna 4-7-24, showing why the evening constellations in the western sky vanish so quickly during spring.

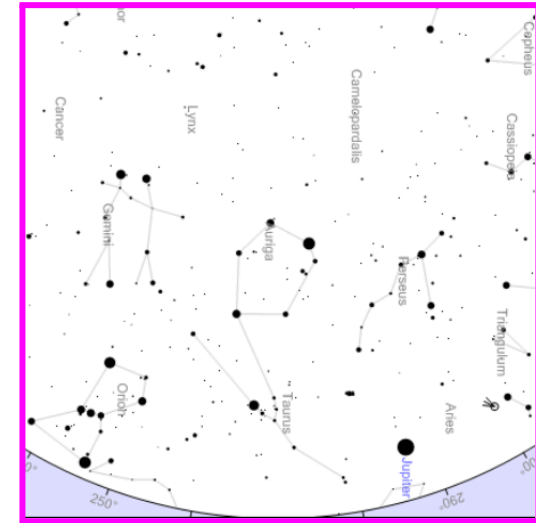
These charts show the sky **LOOKING WEST** at the same time each night, 10pm. This is to illustrate the normal, continuous westward progression of constellations over the course of months through the year.



10 pm AST Feb 1

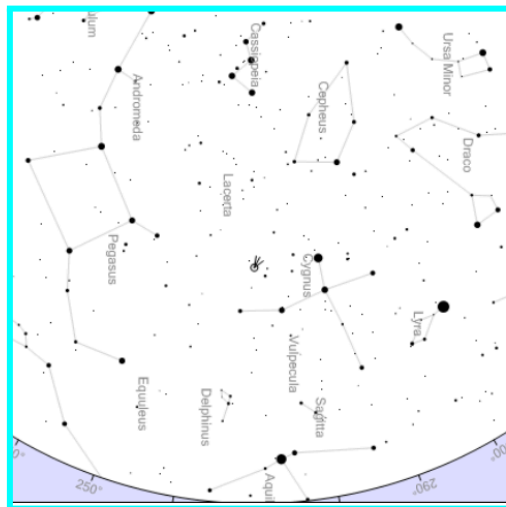


10 pm March 1

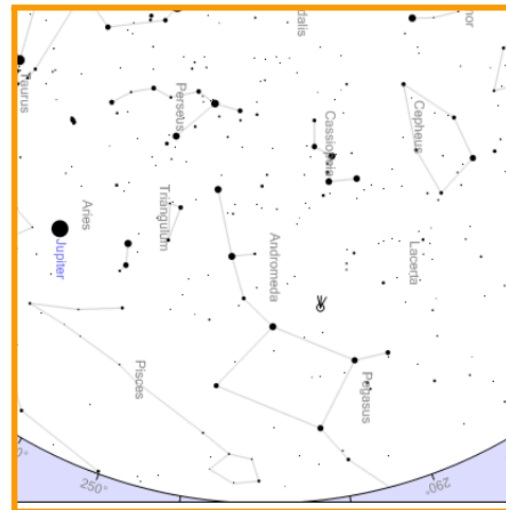


11 pm ADT (same as 10 pm AST) April 1

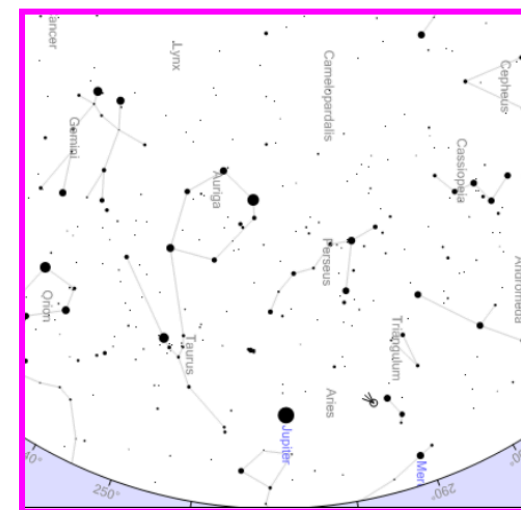
The following charts show the western sky during the same months, Feb Mar Apr, 1 HOUR AFTER SUNSET, early Nautical Twilight. “1 hour after sunset” gets dramatically later each night as our days get longer, causing western constellations to submerge unusually fast.



Feb 1 at 6:00 pm AST



March 1 at 7:25 pm



April 1 at 9:50 pm ADT