



# The Robotic Liverpool Telescope



Discover the  
Cosmos

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# The Liverpool Telescope



The Liverpool Telescope is sited on the Spanish island of La Palma.

With the benefit of good weather, dark nights and a 2400m extinct volcano, the **Roque de los Muchachos** observatory hosts **14** telescopes from a number of EU nations, and is widely considered to be one of the top two observing sites in the northern hemisphere.

# The Liverpool Telescope



Fully robotic 2 metre mirror telescope – Clamshell Enclosure

8.5 m high, 6.5 m wide and weighs 24 tonnes

Designed for rapid response – Supernovae, GRBs, NEOs

Six instruments – RATCam, RISE, RINGO2, FRODOspec, IO, SkyCam

Sophisticated scheduling system – no human intervention

90% used by professional astronomers, 10% UK & Spanish schools

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**Liverpool Telescope**



[Live Webcam](#)

Status: Closed

**Weather on La Palma**

Humidity: 69% (Dry)  
Temperature: 12.5 °C  
Wind Speed: 2.7 m/s  
Last night: Poor

**NSO Observations**

Observed last night: 4  
Requests last 30 days: 477  
Running Total: 19523

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Welcome to the National Schools' Observatory



**About Us**

The Liverpool Telescope (LT) is a professional robotic telescope located in the Canary islands.

The National Schools' Observatory (NSO) provides schools in the UK and Ireland with access to the LT.

**Getting Started**

A few links to get you started:

- [The Liverpool Telescope \(LT\)](#)
- [More about the NSO](#)
- [Register your School](#)
- [How to Observe with the LT](#)
- [Viewing images from the LT](#)

Search this site:

Sun Moon Planets ?

Moonrise: 8:34 PM Moonset: 1:10 PM



Waning Gibbous  
76% of Full

Liverpool : Tue, 28 Sep 2010

**New NSO Resources**

- 21/09/10 : Ask an Astronomer
- 21/09/10 : New Student Zone
- 21/09/10 : Variable Stars
- 21/09/10 : LTImage Tutorials
- 21/09/10 : Moosaic Puzzle

## www.schoolsobservatory.org.uk

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Established (2004) to provide schools in the UK and Ireland with access to the Liverpool Telescope through a guided observing system, together with astronomy related content, news and learning activities.

# National Schools Observatory (LJMU)



## Active Accounts

2432 Teacher ; 4908 Student

## Observing Requests

Total : 29143 ; average 1000+ per month in term time.

## Website Visits

1.2 million pages served per year ;  
average 4300 unique visitors per week

# Go Observing

## Guided Observing System

Designed for ages: 7+

Moon, Planets, Galaxies, Nebulae

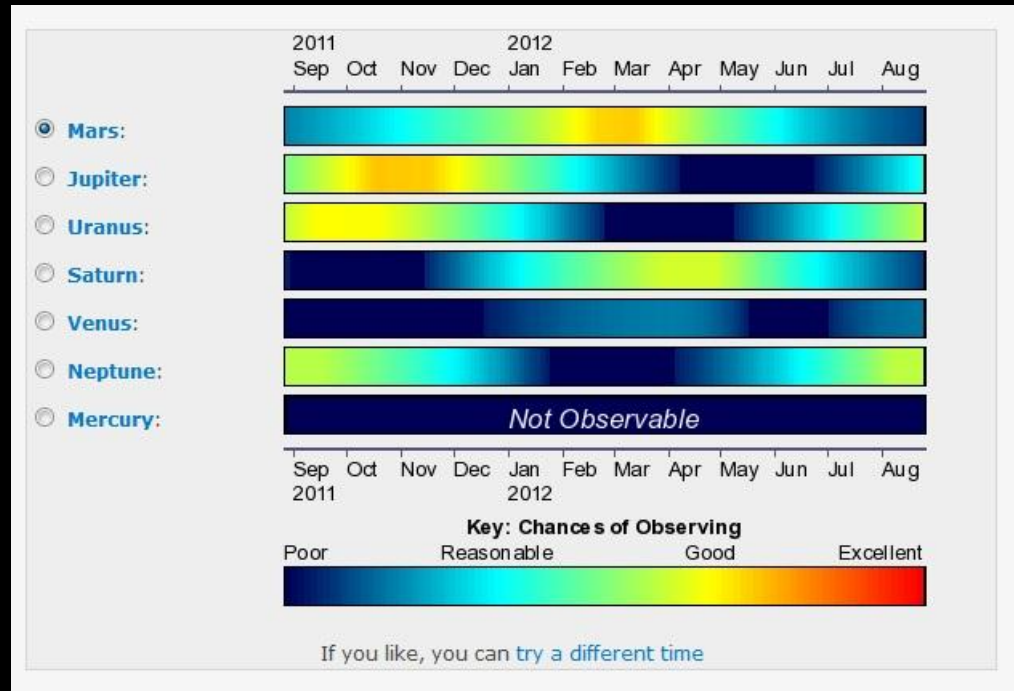
Single Filter or  
Three Filter (Colour)

Projects:

Exoplanet Transits

NEO, Asteroids

Supernovae



# NSO Projects and Activities

Activities

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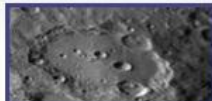
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Here we have a selection of astronomy-related activities that combine elements of science, maths and ICT. The **projects** are collaborative ventures, with students from different schools working together to achieve the same goal, such as determining the path of an asteroid. **Workshops**, on the other hand, are self-contained lessons that can be downloaded and presented to individuals or groups.

For more detailed information, please select the appropriate link:



[NSO Projects](#)



[NSO Workshops](#)

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[GCSE Astronomy](#)



[Maths and ICT](#)

Name	Description	Age	Time
<a href="#">Moonsaic : 1 - 5</a>	Assemble some mosaics of the Moon at different phases	7-14	1 hour
<a href="#">Hunting for Asteroids</a>	Detect and calculate the velocity of nearby asteroids	7-10	
<a href="#">Lunar Craters</a>	Investigate cratering on the surface of the Moon	7-10	
<a href="#">Quiz Corner</a>	A few quizzes to test your knowledge of astronomy	11-14	
<a href="#">3-Colour Imaging</a>	Learn about creating 3-colour images using LTIImage	11-14	
<a href="#">Gravity Workshop</a>	See how the effect of gravity changes on different planets	14-16	
<a href="#">Galaxy Classification</a>	Identify the different types of galaxy in the Universe	14-16	
<a href="#">Sunspots Workshop</a>	Look for patterns in surface activity on the Sun	14-16	
<a href="#">Seeing Workshop</a>	Investigate why stars twinkle and why it's a problem	14-16	
<a href="#">Tides Workshop</a>	Discover what causes the tides in Earth's oceans	14-16	

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*Any Questions ?*

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