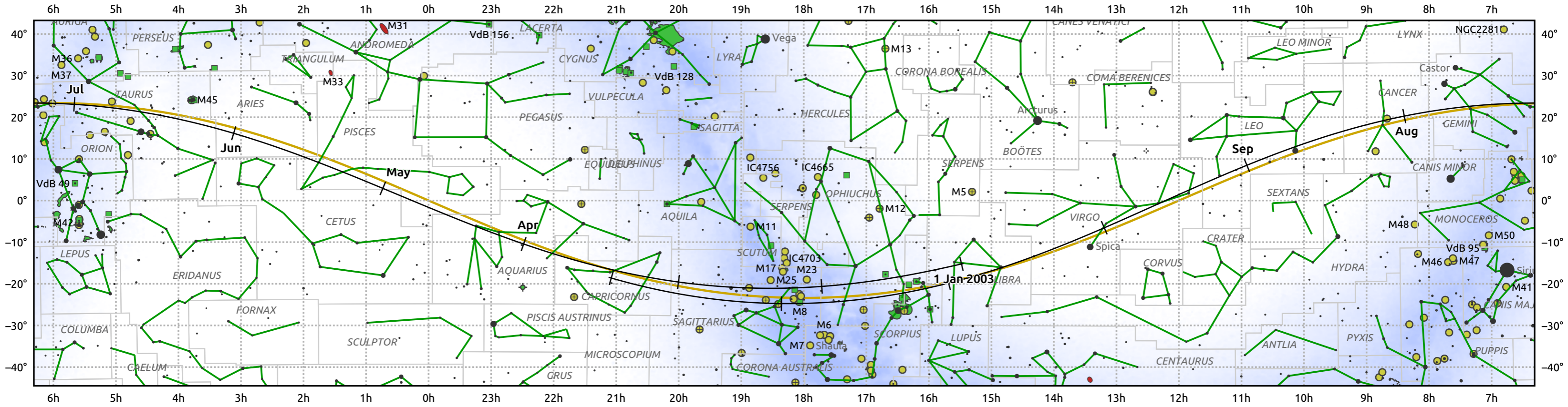


The path of Venus in 2003



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Magnitude scale: -5.0 -4.0 -3.0 -2.0 -1.0 -2.0

Ecliptic Plane

Galaxy
 Bright nebula
 Open cluster
 Globular cluster
 Planetary nebula

Date	Mag	Phase	Angular size
2003 Jan 1	-4.5	45%	27.9"
2003 Apr 1	-4.0	80%	13.4"
2003 Jul 1	-3.9	97%	10.0"
2003 Oct 1	-3.9	98%	10.0"
2004 Jan 1	-4.0	83%	12.8"