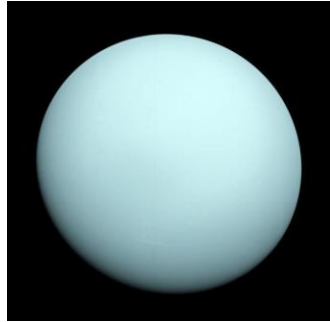


Oscars Space Facts Sheet

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Uranus



Uranus is the seventh planet from the sun and is known as the sideward planet because of how it spins sideways on its axis.

Uranus is the third biggest planet in our solar system and appears a blue-green in colour.

Uranus is believed to be around 4,503 billion years old, named after the Greek God of Sky and is the only planet in our solar system to be named after a Greek God.

First discovered in 1781 by William Herchel who when first observed believed that Uranus was not a planet but a comet because of the speed in which it traveled.

Traveling at the speed of 15,290 mph it still takes 84 years to complete a full orbit of the sun, this is because Uranus is 1.8 Billion miles away from the Sun.

Uranus is the coldest planet in our solar system with average temperatures of minus 214 degrees Celsius.

DID YOU KNOW ?

In 1986 Voyager 2 came within 81,000 Km of Uranus. This is the closest human beings have ever come to Uranus

Facts and Figures

- Seventh Planet from the Sun
- Takes 84 years to orbit the sun
- Length of day is 17 hours
- Average temperature is minus 200 degrees Celsius
- Uranus is 1.8 Billion Miles from the sun
- Orbits the sun at a speed of 15,290 mph