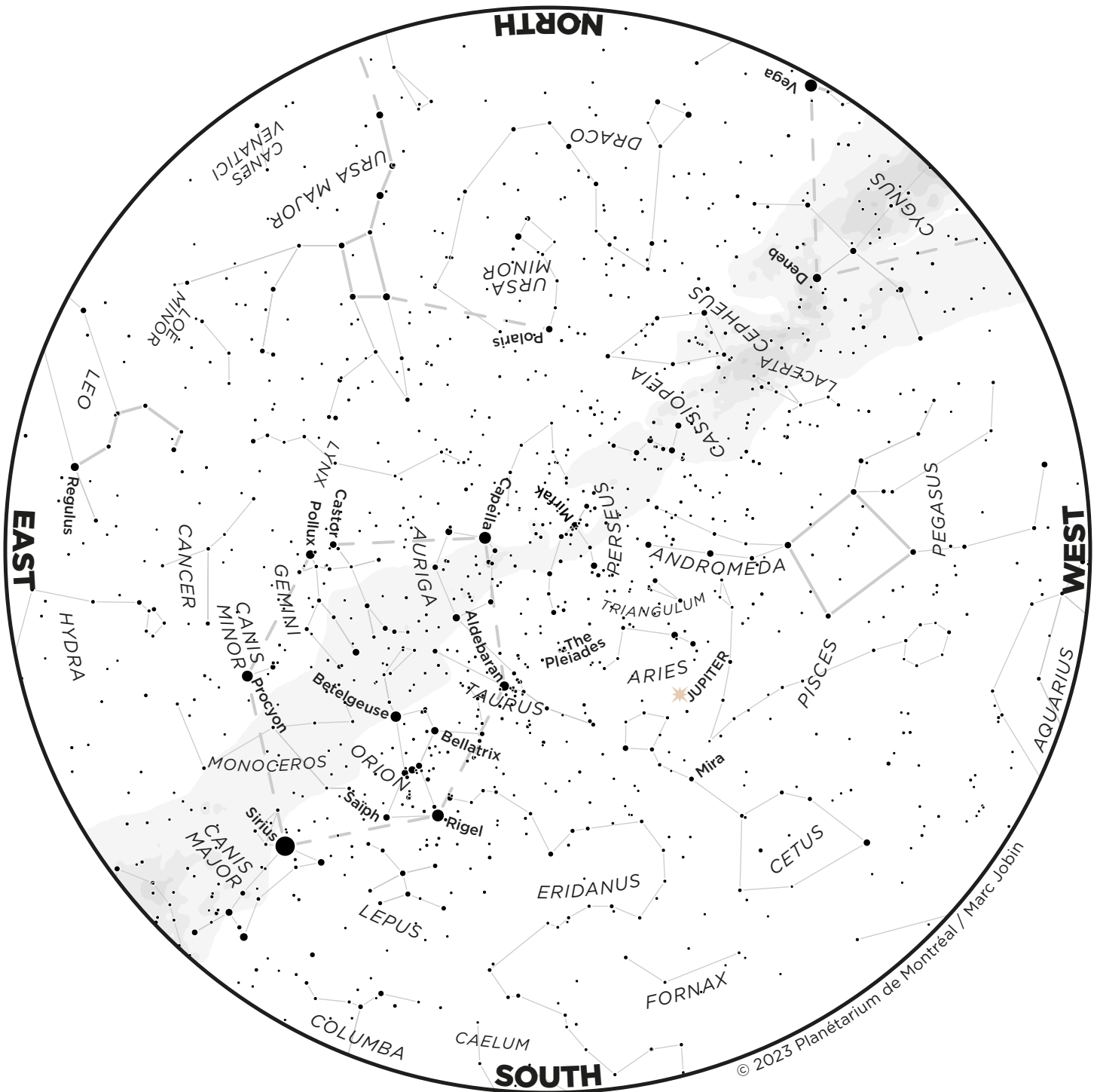


Star map for December 2023



The map shows the starry sky as it will appear in mid-December around 10:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, one hour later at the beginning of the month, and one hour earlier at month's end. It remains usable for a few hours before and after. Hold the map up to the sky in front of you and turn it so the direction you are facing appears at the bottom. The outline of the map is the horizon. Lines joining stars represent the major constellations. The shaded area shows the approximate contours of the Milky Way. The position of planets is shown for mid-month or the indicated date.