# Comet Nucleus Tour Description

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The Comet Nucleus Tour, or CONTOUR, mission launched from Cape Canaveral on July 3, 2002. Six weeks later, on August 15, contact with the spacecraft was lost after a planned maneuver that was intended to propel it out of Earth orbit and into its comet-chasing solar orbit. Evidence suggests the spacecraft split into several pieces, and so far all efforts to make contact with CONTOUR have failed.

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