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A new class of objects called dwarf planets was created and Pluto and Eris were placed into this category. Unfortunately, the history of searches for planets--whether inside or outside our own system--has not always been a happy one. .

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A denser atmosphere may also influence the surface relief, making it more regular and decreasing the size of the , which would improve diversity of marine life in shallow waters.

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Some of the small knots of matter are believed to be protoplanetary disks, or 'proplyds' that might evolve into planets. Highly recommended for both public and academic libraries.

Nonfiction Book Review: Planet Quest: The Epic Discovery of Alien Solar Systems by Ken Croswell, Author, Kris Croswell, Author
Simon & Schuster \$25 (304p) ISBN 978

The remainder of the book describes the discovery of the planets around normal stars and the plans for extending the search to Earth-mass objects.

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In 1846 the French scientist Urbain Le Verrier, looking at the orbit of Uranus, came to the conclusion that the way it moved suggested it was being pulled by the gravity of an unknown body, probably another planet beyond Uranus's orbit. But what's most exciting is that this book explains how we now have within our grasp the ability to spot a true twin of Earth.

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Planet Quest : The Epic Discovery of Alien Solar Systems by Ken Croswell (1999, Trade Paperback) for sale online

Heller and Armstrong speculate that the number of superhabitable planets around Kepler 442-like stars can far exceed that of: less massive stars in the are more abundant than the larger and brighter stars, so there are more orange K dwarfs than solar analogues. Croswell demonstrates viscerally how delicate the balance of life is here.

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Nonetheless, he provides a survey of the subject without giving the protagonists anything to complain about. Take a trip through the starry sky to learn all about constellations, what happens when stars explode, and learn more about the star closest to us: the sun! Nothing could be further from the truth.

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