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In Depth

There are 27 known moons around Uranus and they hold the distinction of being named for characters from the works of Alexander Pope and William Shakespeare. The reason behind the monotonous atmospheric appearance is the composition of the top-most layer of the atmosphere.

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This image has colors added to show the different altitudes and thicknesses of clouds in the atmosphere. All other planets, with the exception of Uranus, have a rotation axis that is almost perpendicular to the orbital plane.

Planet Uranus facts and information

Some myths claim that the Telchines, gods who settled the isle of Rhodes, were also born at this time. In 1789 scientists named the radioactive element, uranium, eight years after the planet Uranus was discovered. Instead the planet was named for Uranus, the Greek god of the sky, as suggested by Johann Bode.

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Temperatures and pressures are too extreme on Uranus for us to consider that life could exist there. His initial conclusion was that he had discovered a and reported his findings as such to the Royal Society of England.

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The methane makes Uranus blue.

Uranus (mythology)

When it was accepted as a planet years later, Herschel lobbied to call the discovery.

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