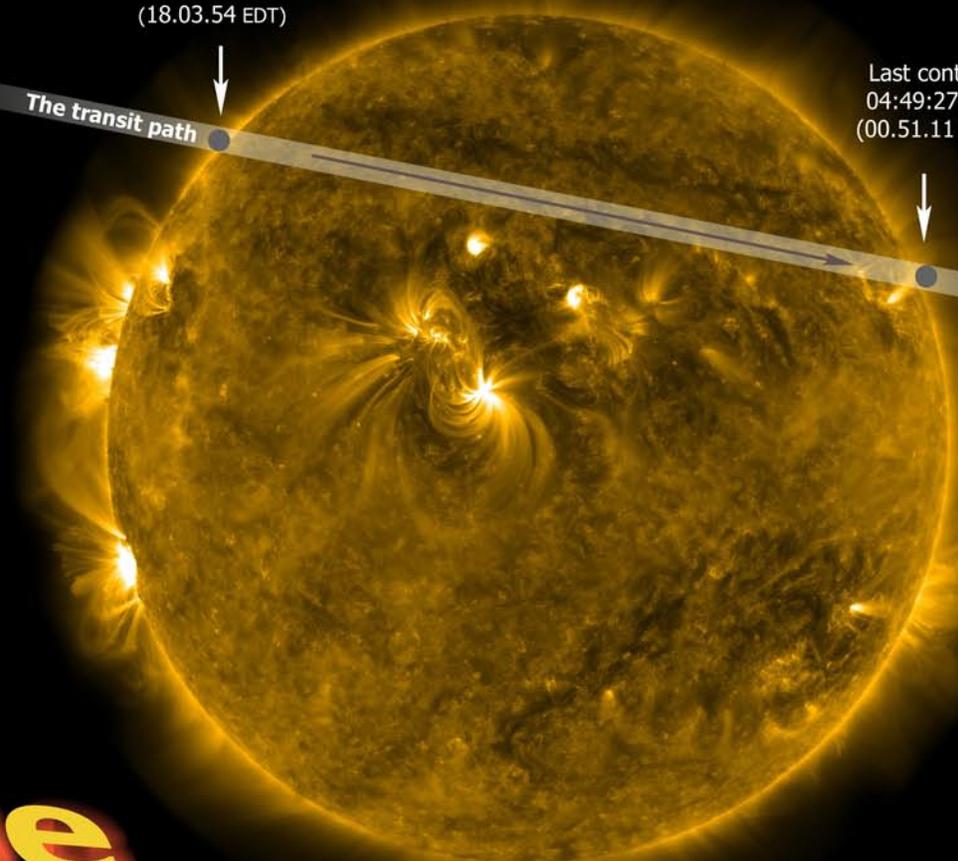


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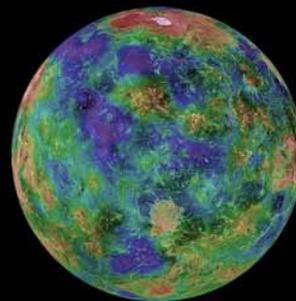
The Transit of Venus

June 5, 2012

Venus will cross in front of the Sun

On the 5th and 6th of June, Venus will pass across the face of the Sun—a rare event that in the 17th century permitted European scientists to determine the size of the Solar System. Join NASA in celebrating this last apparition of the transit till the year 2117 !

Viewing the transit in North America



Venus Topography



Venus Cloud Cover

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