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In addition to the weekly photo essays, "The Year In Space" Desk Calendar includes a preview of planetary exploration in 2012, a month-by-month sky guide, and an exclusive article by Planetary Society blogger Emily Lakdawalla who talks about some remarkable images captured by the Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter.

"The Year In Space" can be ordered at a discount athttps://www.yearinspace.com/desk-calendar, or by calling (800) 736-6836. Calendars begin shipping on November 10th, but orders can be placed now.

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