
Subject: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?

Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 19:28:32 GMT

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I could soon be wrong!

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?

Posted by [MexPirate](#) on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 19:55:46 GMT

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I have heard about the one in the asteroid field and the far out planet b4, never heard anything about classifying pluto's moon as a planet.

As it say's in that article though, it's a stupid idea - don't see any need to be classifying what are pretty much large asteroids as planets.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?

Posted by [Scythar](#) on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 20:08:37 GMT

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Yeah, but one of the problems is that Pluto is actually about as big as the moons of some of the other planets, meaning it shouldn't really be called a planet in the first place. Also, Pluto's moon is over half the size of Pluto itself... the current definitions are pretty vague, and it just gets worse when new objects are found with sizes that balance in the grey area that defines what they are called.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?

Posted by [DarkDemin](#) on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 20:40:24 GMT

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Pluto is just a dirtball in space, the only reason why it is classified as a planet is because it revolves around the sun and is not subject to any other planets gravitational force.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?

Posted by [Halo38](#) on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 20:51:54 GMT

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i'd rather they did change it as nine planets in a line is pretty boring now we might have a twin planet and one stuck in the middle of the asteroid belt wicked huh!

edit: if all it takes is for a body to revolve around the sun to be classified as a planet the there could be alot more yet to come (see link)

<http://www.gps.caltech.edu/~mbrown/whatsaplanet/howmanplanet s.html>

Edit2: this is what was printed in the Daily Telegraph Today (UK)

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [bisen11](#) on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 23:14:05 GMT

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More planets just means more names in a certain order for middle schoolers to memorize.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [Dover](#) on Wed, 16 Aug 2006 23:57:44 GMT

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I believe the American term is "Fuck that shit".

If it isn't broken, don't fix it. There's no problem with the current setup, so why go fucking it up by adding planets?

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [M1Garand8](#) on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 00:02:28 GMT

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I think they should only consider UB 2003 and Sedna as Planets and leave the rest alone.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [Blazer](#) on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 03:03:01 GMT

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All I have to say is, Jupiter is a big mofol!

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [Scythar](#) on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 05:41:50 GMT

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Dover wrote on Wed, 16 August 2006 19:57I believe the American term is "Fuck that shit".

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Ehh yeah, except that it is broken, that's the whole problem.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [xptek](#) on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 05:46:59 GMT

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Yay, Ceres makes a comeback.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [m1a1_abrams](#) on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 11:11:39 GMT

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Er, I don't understand why they can't just settle for "Pluto sized objects aren't planets, but we'll continue calling Pluto a planet because it's historical". Seems a pretty simple solution to me. Just stick a little addendum about it, under the entry for Pluto in science textbooks.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 13:01:52 GMT

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If we classify planets by their size, our moon then would have to become a planet due to Pluto being so small, not to mention the amount of planets we'd have from Jupiter's moons.

If we classify them by whether or not they rotate a star (Sun), then many many many more asteroids become planets.

Either way, I don't care.

It'd be easier to classify them by size, imo.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [warranto](#) on Thu, 24 Aug 2006 14:28:25 GMT

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Update on this: the fate of our solar system has been decided.

There are now EIGHT planets in our solar system.

Recent reports show children rampaging in the streets to celebrate not having to remember all nine.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Thu, 24 Aug 2006 14:37:46 GMT

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I'd rather drop Pluto rather than gain hundreds of planets because of the whole celestial body orbiting the Sun.

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [PlastoJoe](#) on Thu, 24 Aug 2006 16:28:40 GMT

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Great. Now my 6th grade education is worth crap. Thanks a lot, scientific community!

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [Krazyfoxx](#) on Fri, 25 Aug 2006 01:59:28 GMT

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SpyGuy246 wrote on Thu, 24 August 2006 12:28: Great. Now my 6th grade education is worth crap. Thanks a lot, scientific community!
LOL!

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [tooncy](#) on Sat, 26 Aug 2006 00:49:49 GMT

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Ceres? I seem to remember that name from a certian SNES game...

OMG SPACE STATION IN SUPER METROID

Subject: Re: Hey, I thought there were NINE planets in our Solar System?
Posted by [*Metal Vixen*](#) on Mon, 28 Aug 2006 07:02:47 GMT

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I'm looking at it from a bright side...one less thing to remember from Astronomy class ...they should oust the other 8
