From Cassini's Scenic Vista: A 'Pan-tastic' View



Cassini's best close-up of the ring moon Pan was taken on March 7, 2017. Its average size is 17.6 miles (28 kilometers) across and is embedded in the 200 mile (325 kilometer) wide Encke Gap in Saturn's A-ring

Pan, like Saturn's moon Atlas, has a prominent equatorial ridge that gives the small moon a distinctive flying saucer shape. The ridge may be accreted ring material trying to cross the Encke gap.

Impact craters are visible on both the main body of Pan and its dramatic ridge.

Image scale is about 500 feet (150 meters) per pixel.

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