

Phoenix Sees the Colors of Mars

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The northern polar plains of Mars can be seen in approximate true color in this image taken by NASA's Mars Phoenix Lander.

This approximate color (SSI's red, green, and blue filters: 600, 530, and 480 nanometers) view was obtained on sol 2 by the Surface Stereo Imager (SSI) on board the Phoenix lander.

The view is toward the northwest, showing polygonal terrain near the lander and out to the horizon.

The Phoenix Mission is led by the University of Arizona, Tucson, on behalf of NASA. Project management of the mission is by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, Calif. Spacecraft development is by Lockheed Martin Space Systems, Denver.

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