

Subtropical storm Andrea jumps the gun as the first storm of 2019 Atlantic season

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The storm was just forming when the Suomi NPP satellite captured this image on May 20, 2019. Credit: NASA Worldview, Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS)

Andrea becomes the first subtropical storm for the 2019 season although we are two weeks short of the official start date of June 1. This storm



was first spotted on Monday, May 20, 2019 forming over the western Atlantic.

At present the storm is located 295 miles west southwest of Bermuda and is moving north at 5 knots. Maximum sustained winds are near 40 mph (65 km/h) with higher gusts extending outward up to 60 miles from the center. Bermuda is within the zone of coverage for this storm, although at present there are no coastal watches or warnings in effect. The storm is expected to veer northeast later today. On the forecast track, the center of Andrea is expected to remain southwest and south of Bermuda during the next day or two.

Little change in <u>strength</u> is forecast today, followed by weakening late tonight. Andrea is expected to dissipate on Wednesday.

Provided by NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center

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