



**Saturn**

- Ancient Romans named this planet Saturn and the Greeks referred to it as Cronos. Saturn was the god of agriculture and was the father of Jupiter and many others.
- Saturn's diameter is 120,500 km.
- It's orbit is 1,429,400,000 km from Sun (9.54 AU).
- One Saturnian year is 29.45 Earth years.
- A day on Saturn is 10 hours and 47

minutes. Because it is spinning so rapidly, the planet is somewhat flattened. As a result, its equatorial diameter is greater than its polar diameter

- The most striking thing about Saturn is its rings. They are made up of mainly of water ice in the form of objects ranging from a centimeter to several meters. The rings are 250,000 km in diameter, but less than 1 km thick. If all the material in the rings were gathered together, they would make an object less than 100 km in diameter.