

Historical Sightings

1949 Project Blue Book Unknowns

- USA, Arizona, Tucson: April 28, 1949, 5:45 pm. Witnesses: Howard Hann, Mr. Hubert, Tex Keahey. One bright, sausage-shaped object was observed for 40 minutes while it rolled and flew fast.
- USA, Arizona, Tucson: May 9, 1949, 2:30 pm. Witness: M/Sgt. Troy Putnam. Two round, flat silvery objects, estimated to be 25' in diameter, flew 750-1,000 mph in a banked but steady manner.
- USA, California, Livermore: May 6, 1949, 9:35 am. Witness: C.G. Green. Two shiny, disc-like objects rotated around each other and banked. Then one shot upwards with a grey trail and rejoined the other. The sighting lasted 5 minutes.
- USA, California, Merced: April 4, 1949, 10:20 pm. Witness: William Parrott, former Air Force pilot and major. One generally round object with a curved bottom and dull coloring. The object gave off a clicking sound until overhead. Parrott's dog reacted. 35 seconds.
- USA, Florida, Cortez-Bradenton: Jan. 27, 1949, 10:20 pm. Witnesses: Capt. Sames, acting chief of the Aircraft Branch, Eglin AFB, and Mrs. Sames. They watched for 25 minutes while a cigar-shaped object as long as two Pullman cars and having seven lighted square windows threw sparks, descended and then climbed with a bouncing motion at an estimated 400 mph.
- USA, Hawaii, Hickam Field: Jan. 4, 1949, 2 pm. Witness: USAF pilot Capt. Paul Storey, on ground. One flat white, elliptical object with a matte top circled while oscillating to the right and left, and then sped away.
- USA, Idaho, Mountain Home: July 24, 1949, 12 noon. Witness: Henry Clark, manager of a flying service, flying a Piper Clipper. Seven delta-shaped objects, 35-55' in span, 20-30' long, 2-5' thick; light colored except for a 12' diameter dark circle at the rear of each. They flew in a tight formation of twos with one behind, and made a perfect, but unbanked, turn. During the 10 minute sighting, they displayed decreasing smooth oscillations. Clark's engine ran rough during the sighting, and upon landing was found to have all its spark plugs burned out.
- USA, Montana, Dillon: April 3, 1949, 11:55 am. Witnesses: construction company owner Gosta Miller and three other unnamed persons. One object shaped like two plates attached face-to-face; matte bottom, bright aluminum top; 20' diameter, 4-5' thickness. It rocked or rotated in six cycles, descended, rocked, flew, rocked; all this was very fast.
- USA, New Mexico, Arrey: April 24, 1949, 10:30 am. Witnesses: General Mills meteorologist and balloon expert C.B. Moore and others on a balloon launch crew. One white, round ellipsoid, about 2.5 times as long as wide.

- USA, South-central Oregon: May 27, 1949, 2:25 pm. Witness: Joseph Shell, ferrying SNJ trainer for North American Aviation, from Red Bluff, California, to Burns, Oregon. Five to eight oval objects, twice as long as wide, and 1/5 as thick. They flew in trail formation, with an interval equal to 3-4 times their length, except that the second and third were closer together.
- USA, Oregon, Mt. Hood: July 30, 1949, 9 pm. Witnesses: Northwest Airlines Capt. Thrush, two Portland control tower operators, and one flying instructor. One object with one white light and two red lights, maneuvered and hovered.
- USA, Texas, Camp Hood: March 17, 1949, 7:52 pm. Witnesses: guards of the 2nd Armored Division. While awaiting the start of a flare firing, they watched, for an hour, while eight large, green, red and white flare-like objects flew in generally straight lines.
- USA, Texas, Ft. Bliss: May 5, 1949, 11:40 am. Witnesses: Army officers Maj. Day, Maj. Olhausen, Capt. Vaughn. Two oblong white discs, flying at an estimated 200-250 mph, made a shallow turn during the 30-50 second observation.

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