

## Historical Sightings

### 1955 Project Blue Book Unknowns

- Iceland, Keflavik: May 4, 1955, 12:38 pm. Witnesses: Lt. Col. E.J. Stealy, 1st Lt. J.W. Burt. About 10 round, white objects, one of which left a brief smoke trail, flew in an irregular formation, some of them making erratic movements during the 5-8 second sighting.
- Iceland: Aug. 11, 1955, 11:45 am. Witness: 2nd Lt. E.J. Marlow. Twelve grey objects, from cigar to egg-shaped, varied their formation from elliptical to wavy line to scattered to straight line to trail formation. Speed varied from hover to 1,000 mph. Sighting lasted 3-4 minutes.
- USA, California, Miramar Naval Air Station: Feb. 2, 1955, 11:50 am. Witness: USN Cmdr. J.L. Ingersoll. One highly polished sphere, with reddish-brown coloring, fell, then instantly accelerated to 1,000-1,500 mph.
- USA, Colorado, La Veta: Nov. 25, 1955, 10:30 am. Witness: State Senator S.T. Taylor. One dirigible-shaped object (fat front, tapered toward the tail) object, which was luminous green-blue and jellylike, appeared overhead diving at a 45' angle, then reduced angle to 30'. Object seen for 5 seconds.
- USA, Florida, Lakeland: Jan. 26, 1955, 6:15 pm. Witness: J.M. Holland. A black smoke trail made a circle. There was an explosion and some objects fell. No further information in file.
- USA, Indiana, Loogootee: Oct. 8, 1955, 4:38 pm. Witnesses: R.D. Prather, H. Ahern. One round, silver or white object flew straight and level at more than 1,000 m.p.h. for an unstated length of time.
- USA, New Mexico, Cochise: Jan, 1, 1955, 6:44 am. Witnesses: instructor and student pilot in USAF B-25 bomber/trainer. A metallic disc, shaped like two pie pans face-to-face, and 120-130' in diameter, paced the B-25, showing both its edge and its face, for 5-7 minutes. Only item in case file was summary form.
- USA, New Mexico, 20 miles east of Cochise: Feb.1, 1955, 7:55 pm. Witnesses: Instructor Capt. D.F. Ritzdorf, aviation cadet F.W. Miller in TB-25 bomber/trainer. One red and white ball hovered off the left wing of the TB-25 for 5 minutes, then made a very fast climb. Total time of sighting was 8 minutes.
- USA, Maine, Caribou: Dec. 21, 1955, Maine, 1:11 pm. Witness: Roberta V. Jacobs. One round, very bright gold, domed disc made a short climb, rotated, hovered and then accelerated during the 6-8 minute sighting.
- USA, Maryland, Bethesda: Feb. 10, 1955, 10:03 pm. Witness: E.J. Stein, model maker at U.S. Navy ship design facility. One object, shaped like a small portion of the bottom of the Moon, with a radiant yellow color, hovered for 30 seconds. Its bottom changed to a funnel shape. Total sighting lasted 1.5-2 minutes.

- USA, Maryland, Pt. Lookout: Oct. 11, 1955, 4 pm. Witnesses: B. Hale, A. Ostrom. One round object which looked white in the daylight and turned red with sparks toward the end of the 2.5 hour sighting, made a deep roar, unlike an aircraft.
- USA, Missouri, St. Louis: Nov. 17, 1955, 6:10 am. Witness: J.A. Mapes. Twelve round, flat objects, silver on top and dark on the bottom, flew in 4-deep formation, tipping in pitch and roll, for 45 seconds.
- USA, Nebraska, Columbus: July 29, 1955, 10:45 pm. Witness: Morrice Raymond. Four orange flashing lights and one white flashing light moved up and down like yo-yos for 5-6 minutes.
- USA, Tennessee, near Alcoa: Sept. 9, 1955, 12 noon. Witness: M.N. Dawkins, using binoculars. One brown, almost square object flew with a circular motion for 10-15 minutes.
- USA, Tennessee, Lake City: Nov. 20, 1955, 5:20 pm. Witnesses: Operations Officer Capt. B.G. Denkler and five men of the USAF 663rd AC&W Sqdn. Two oblong, bright orange, semi-transparent objects flew at terrific speed and erratically, toward and away from each other. Observed by various persons for 4 to 15 minutes.
- USA, Texas, Travis County: April 30, 1955, 7:30 am. Witness: USAF Wing Intelligence Officer Maj. L.J. Pagozalski. Four black objects in a cluster made a whooshing sound like a zephyr. Sighting lasted 2-3 seconds.
- USA, Wyoming, Cheyenne: May 23, 1955, midnight. Witnesses: USAF Airman/Basic I.J. Shapiro and E.C. Ingber. During a 5 minute period, two slender, vertical rectangles were seen low on the horizon, and two ovals with tops (dark, with dark blue illumination) flew higher.
- USA, Virginia, Arlington: Aug. 23, 1955, 10:45 am. Witness: G.M. Park, using a 400x telescope. Several orange lights moved singly or in groups, circling and stopping during 30 minute sighting.
- USA, Washington, Bellingham: Sept. 3, 1955. Witness: observer Saunders for Ground Observer Corps. One white pinhead moved slowly across 30' of sky in 15 minutes. No further information.
- USA, Washington, DC. Sept. 7, 1955. Witnesses: two photographers, one plate maker for the Army Map Service (one named Smith). One glowing round object flew an arc for 1 minute.

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