

# Mars landing live blog

Follow the action as NASA's Curiosity rover heads for its rendezvous with the red planet.

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On 6 August at 05:31 UTC, NASA's Curiosity rover is expected to alight at the bottom of Gale Crater on Mars. Please join *Nature* editor Ivan Semeniuk and reporter Eric Hand who will blog the event live from mission control at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory at Pasadena, California, beginning at 03:00 UTC (8 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time) on 5 August. Full coverage of events as mission managers attempt the most complicated landing in the history of Mars exploration will be available on *Nature's* [News blog](#) and, for more, see the Mars Curiosity rover [news special](#).