## Solar System in My Neighborhood <br> Planet Sizes and Distances

The charts below give the scaled sizes and distances of the planets if the Sun were the size of a giant pumpkin. Other foods may be substituted for the planets; they are provided in order of size to make substitution easier.

|  |  | Diameters (reduced by factor of 1 billion) | Food Representative (be creative!) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Largest | Sun | 55 inches (1392 mm) | Giant pumpkin (or a Halloween orange pumpkin garbage bag) |
|  | J upiter | $51 / 2$ inches ( 142.9 mm ) | Large mango or potato |
|  | Saturn | $4 \frac{1}{2}$ inches ( 116.4 mm ) | Large unpeeled orange or cantaloupe or coconut |
|  | Uranus | 2 inches ( 51.1 mm ) | Plum |
|  | Neptune | 2 inches ( 49.5 mm ) | Kiwi or lime (not a lemon) |
|  | Earth | $1 / 2$ inch ( 12.7 mm ) | Small grape |
|  | Venus | $1 / 2$ inch ( 12.1 mm ) | Large blueberry |
|  | Mars | $1 / 4$ inch ( 6.8 mm ) | Pea or navy bean |
|  | Mercury | $3 / 8$ inch ( 4.9 mm ) | Uncooked orzo pasta |
| $\downarrow$ | Eris | $3 / 32$ inch ( 2.4 mm ) | Grain of uncooked rice |
|  | Pluto | 1/16 inch ( 2.3 mm ) | Grain of uncooked rice |
| Smallest | Comet Halley | Microscopic (1/100 mm) | -- |


|  |  | Distance from the Sun (reduced by factor of 1 billion) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Miles (Roughly) | Feet | Meters |
| Nearest | Mercury | 4/100 | 190 | 58 |
|  | Venus | 7/100 | 355 | 108 |
|  | Earth | 9/100 | 491 | 150 |
|  | Mars | 1/10 | 748 | 228 |
|  | Asteroid Ceres | $1 / 4$ | 1,358 | 414 |
|  | $J$ upiter | 1/2 | 2,553 | 778 |
|  | Saturn | 3/4 | 4,682 | 1,427 |
|  | Uranus | $13 / 4$ | 9,418 | 2,871 |
|  | Neptune | $23 / 4$ | 14,765 | 4,498 |
|  | Comet Halley | $\begin{gathered} \hline \hline \frac{1}{4} 4 \\ 5 / 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \hline 17,228 \\ 289 \end{gathered}$ | 5,251 (on Dec. 9, 2023) 88 (on J uly 28, 2061) |
| $\checkmark$ | Pluto | $33 / 4$ | 19,401 | 5,906 |
| Furthest | Eris | 6 | 32,923 | 10,035 |

