



# TED 3 VE<sup>2</sup>NOM

MISSION OVERVIEW | AUGUST 2022

# LAUNCH DETAILS





**LAUNCH WINDOW** 

Opens August 29



**DAILY LAUNCH OPPORTUNITY** 

08:00 - 16:00



**LAUNCH VEHICLE** 

2 x T-Minus Engineering DART rockets



PAYLOAD TMESLA-1323



**CUSTOMER** 

T-Minus Engineering, Asension



## MISSION OVERVIEW

The TED 3/VE<sup>2</sup>NOM mission will be the third and fourth launch from Southern Launch's Koonibba Test Range.

The rocket will carry small payloads close to the edge of space. The payloads will separate from the rocket and fall back to Earth using a parachute.

Scientists and engineers will then recover the payloads to examine how they performed under the pressures of launch.

TED 3/VE2NOM mission patch designed by Koonibba artist Kevina Ware



For the TED3/VE<sup>2</sup>NOM mission, Southern Launch will successively launch two DART rockets each carrying two small payloads.

The DART rocket is manufactured in the Netherlands by T-Minus Engineering. The payloads have been designed by T-Minus Engineering, Southern Launch and Asension.

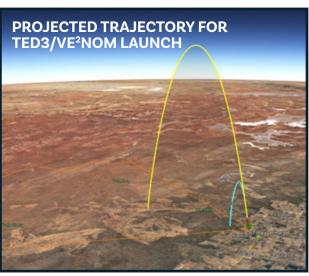
Launched northwards over the uninhabitated Koonibba Test Range, each rocket will travel at Mach 5 or approximately 1.5km per second. The rockets will reach an altitude of 75 kilometres above Earth.

The rocket engine will burn out of fuel 7 seconds after lift-off. The front 'Dart' section of the rocket will separate and continue up to 75kms above Earth while the rocket motor will fall back into a designated area within the Koonibba Test Range.

The motor and payloads will be recovered from the test range by a specialist team made up of the Koonibba community, engineers and environmental experts.

The TED 3/VE<sup>2</sup>NOM mission is the second time that Southern Launch has partnered with T-Minus Engineering to launch DART rockets from the Koonibba Test Range.

In 2020, Southern
Launch, DEWC Systems
(now Asension), T-Minus
Engineering and the
Koonibba Community
Aboriginal Corporation
entered the history
books as the first
entities to launch a
commercial rocket to
the edge of space from
Australia.



#### **DART ROCKET**

#### **Dimensions**

Diameter - 35mm Length - 1.12m

#### Weight

Total mass - 3.5kg Payload mass - 0.5kg

#### Loads

Max longitudinal acceleration - <60G
Max mach number - 5.2

#### **DART BOOSTER**

#### **Dimensions**

Diameter - 118mm Length - 2.3m

#### Weight

Propellant mass - 19.7kg Loaded mass - 25.7kg

#### Motor performance

Burn time - 7 seconds Average thrust - 8.0kN



# **COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

#### **KOONIBBA TEST RANGE**

The Koonibba Test Range (KTR) is located 40km north-west of Ceduna on the West Coast of the Eyre Peninsula, South Australia.

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#### **PUBLIC VIEWING**

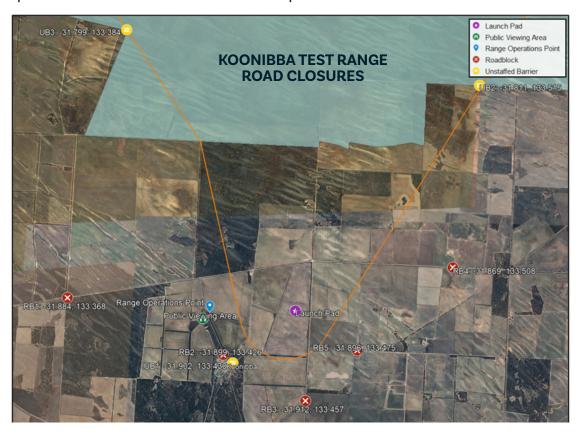
Members of the public wishing to view the launch should follow the directions to the public viewing area in the township of Koonibba.

Members of the public are not permitted to enter the Koonibba Test Range at any point during launch operations.

#### LAUNCH EXCLUSION AREAS

#### **GROUND EXCLUSION AREA**

Roads surrounding the Koonibba Test Range will be closed to ensure the safety of the surrounding community on the day of launch. Trained members of the Koonibba Community will staff roadblocks preventing entry into the range area. To minimise disruptions to community members, road closures will be in place for the minimum amount of time possible.



#### **AIRSPACE RESTRICTIONS**

A Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) providing details of airspace restrictions will be published on the National Aeronautical Information Processing System (NAIPS).

## **SOUTHERN LAUNCH**

Southern Launch is a launch service provider, headquartered in Adelaide, South Australia. Our offering includes the Southern Launch Orbital Launch Complex, and the Koonibba Test Range, our suborbital testing facility.

#### Launch

As the evolution of technology continues, launch performs the key role in sending satellites into space. Without space launch, there is no GPS, no broadband internet, and no effective way to monitor the environment or handle emergency situations. Space technologies are also critical for national security.

Southern Launch's unique offering relates to all elements of launch, including designing, building, testing, and flying the next generation of smart rocket vehicles.

#### Land

The Southern Launch orbital and suborbital launch facilities are located on the Eyre Peninsula in South Australia. The preservation of this land is at the forefront of how we work, including paying our respect to traditional landowners including the Barngarla (Port Lincoln area), Nauo (southern side), and Wirangu (further west coast) peoples.

We believe that the space industry and biodiversity conservation can coexist. Our Conservation Policy Statement and our Biodiversity Management Strategy illustrate our commitment to establishing two world-class launch complexes that minimise the impact on biodiversity, natural scenic beauty and cultural heritage conservation.

As part of the development of our launch sites, we have consulted with experts from numerous disciplines to ensure our developments have minimal environmental and cultural impacts.

Throughout the development of the Southern Launch Orbital Launch Complex, we will be introducing infrastructure to help eradicate feral animals and weeds to protect native flora and fauna.

#### Leadership

Southern Launch has been at the forefront of fostering a full-spectrum, strategic, sovereign and globally engaged Australian space sector.

We believe Australia is ideally placed to be the leading Indo-Pacific hub for launch operations and to play an innovative and significant role in shaping the future global space economy.

We remain a close and committed partner of the Australian Space Agency in pursuit of its vision and strategic objectives.

