



The Goddard Visitor Center
will open on Monday,
November 18, 2013 at 1pm for
viewing of the MAVEN launch!*

MAVEN will launch from Cape
Canaveral Air Force Station aboard an
Atlas V vehicle. The launch window
opens at 1:28 pm for two hours.

The Visitors Center will broadcast NASA
TV and a Planetary Scientist will be on
hand to answer questions.

*In the event of a launch delay, this event will be
cancelled. Please check NASA.gov for current launch
status before arriving at the Visitors Center.

The Mars Atmosphere and Volatile Evolution (MAVEN) mission will
be the first mission devoted to understanding the Martian upper
atmosphere.

The goal of MAVEN is to determine the role that loss of
atmospheric gas to space played in changing the Martian climate
through time. Where did the atmosphere—and the water—go?

MAVEN will determine how much of the Martian atmosphere has
been lost over time by measuring the current rate of escape to
space and gathering enough information about the relevant
processes to allow extrapolation backward in time.

You can also watch the
launch from your computer!
Go to www.nasa.gov/ntv
for live streaming.