

Timeline of Yuri Gagarin's life

1934 - 1955

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| 09 March 1934 | Yuri Alexeyevich Gagarin born | Klushino, nr Gzhatsk (Smolensk region) |
| 1941 | Enrols in a Grade School | Klushino |
| Spring 1941 | Germany attacks The Soviet Union | USSR |
| October 1942 | Klushino attacked and occupied by Germans | Klushino |
| Spring 1943 | Valentin and Zoya abducted | |
| 09 April 1943 | Germans retreat from Gzhatsk | Klushino |
| Autumn 1945 | Valentin and Zoya return home | Klushino |
| 1946 | Inspired by ex-airman teacher | Gzhatsk |
| Summer 1949 | Finishes secondary school (6th grade) Moves in with an Uncle | Gzhatsk Moscow |
| 30 September 1949 | Starts at Vocational School no.10 (Training as a foundry-man) | Lyubertsy, Moscow |
| Summer 1951 | Graduates from Vocational School no.10 | Lyubertsy, Moscow |
| September 1951 | Starts at Saratov Industrial Technical School | Saratov, Moscow |
| 04 September 1954 | Starts at Saratov Oblast Flying Club | Saratov, Moscow |
| 14 March 1955 | First parachute jump | Saratov, Moscow |
| September 1955 | Drafted into Orenburg Flying School | Orenburg |
| November 1955 | Rank: CADET | Orenburg |
| 22 February 1956 | Rank: CADET SERGEANT - permitted to fly | Orenburg |

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1956 - 1961

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| October 1956 | Meets Valentina Goryacheva | Orenburg |
| 26 March 1957 | First Solo Flight in MiG-15 jet | Orenburg |
| 04 October 1957 | SPUTNIK launched | |
| 27 October 1957 | Marries Valentina Goryacheva | Orenburg |
| November 1957 | Graduates from Military School | Orenburg |
| | Posted as LIEUTENANT in Soviet Air Force | Luostari, Murmansk |
| 10 April 1959 | Elena Gagarina born | Luostari, Murmansk |
| 05 October 1959 | Tested for Cosmonaut training | Luostari, Murmansk |
| 06 November 1959 | Rank: FIRST LIEUTENANT | Luostari, Murmansk |
| 11 January 1960 | Approved for cosmonaut training | Star City, Moscow |
| 18 June 1960 | Meets Sergei Korolëv | Star City, Moscow |
| 07 March 1961 | Galina Gagarina born | Gzhatsk |
| 06 January 1961 | Yuri Gagarin and Gherman Titov selected | Star City, Moscow |
| 16 March 1961 | Sent to Tyuratam for final training | Tyuratam, Baikonur |
| 10 April 1961 | Officially confirmed for launch | Tyuratam, Baikonur |
| 12 April 1961 | YURI GAGARIN ORBITS THE EARTH | Tyuratam, Baikonur |
| 12 April 1961 | Rank: MAJOR | In Orbit |
| 14 April 1961 | Received as a hero in Moscow | Moscow |
| 18 April 1961 | Undergoes 6 days of observation | Star City, Moscow |

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1961 - 1968

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| 21 April 1961 | Appears on the cover of TIME Magazine | United States |
| 25 April 1961 | Begins his World Tour | Global |
| April - August 1961 | World tour | Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Finland, UK, Iceland, Poland, Cuba, Brazil, Canada and Hungary |
| 01 September 1961 | Starts at the Air Force Engineering Academy | Zhukovsky |
| 29 November - 15 December 1961 | Asian Tour | India, Sri Lanka, Afganistan |
| 12 June 1962 | Rank: LIEUTENANT COLONEL | Zhukovsky |
| September 1963 | State visit to France | Paris |
| 06 November 1963 | Rank: COLONEL | Zhukovsky |
| April 1965 | Re-enters mission training as a back-up cosmonaut | Zhukovsky |
| September 1965 | Starts at the Institute of Aeronautical Engineering | Zhukovsky |
| 1967 | Begins training as a back-up for the first manned Soyuz flight | Zhukovsky |
| 17 February 1968 | Graduates with honours as cosmonaut engineer | Zhukovsky |
| 27 March 1968 | Death of Colonel Yuri Alexeyevich Gagarin Crash lands in a MiG-15UTI alongside Colonel Vladimir Serëgin | Kirzhach |