



Clays in the Eridania Basin

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This colorful image shows clays within the Eridania basin region. Many scientists using orbital data have proposed that a large lake may have once existed here during the Late Noachian through Early Hesperian time periods, and then much of the water drained out to the north via Ma'adim Vallis. (NASA/JPL/University of Arizona. 255 km above the surface and less than 1 km across.)

