

## LAUNCH

On July 23, 1999, the Space Shuttle Columbia lifted off the launch pad at John F. Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Florida. Its mission was to carry NASA's Chandra X-ray Observatory into space. The astronauts aboard Columbia that night were Eileen Collins (mission commander), Michel Tognini (mission specialist), Steven Hawley (mission specialist), Jeffrey Ashby (pilot), and Cady Coleman (mission specialist).

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20 YEARS OF NASA'S CHANDRA X-RAY OBSERVATORY