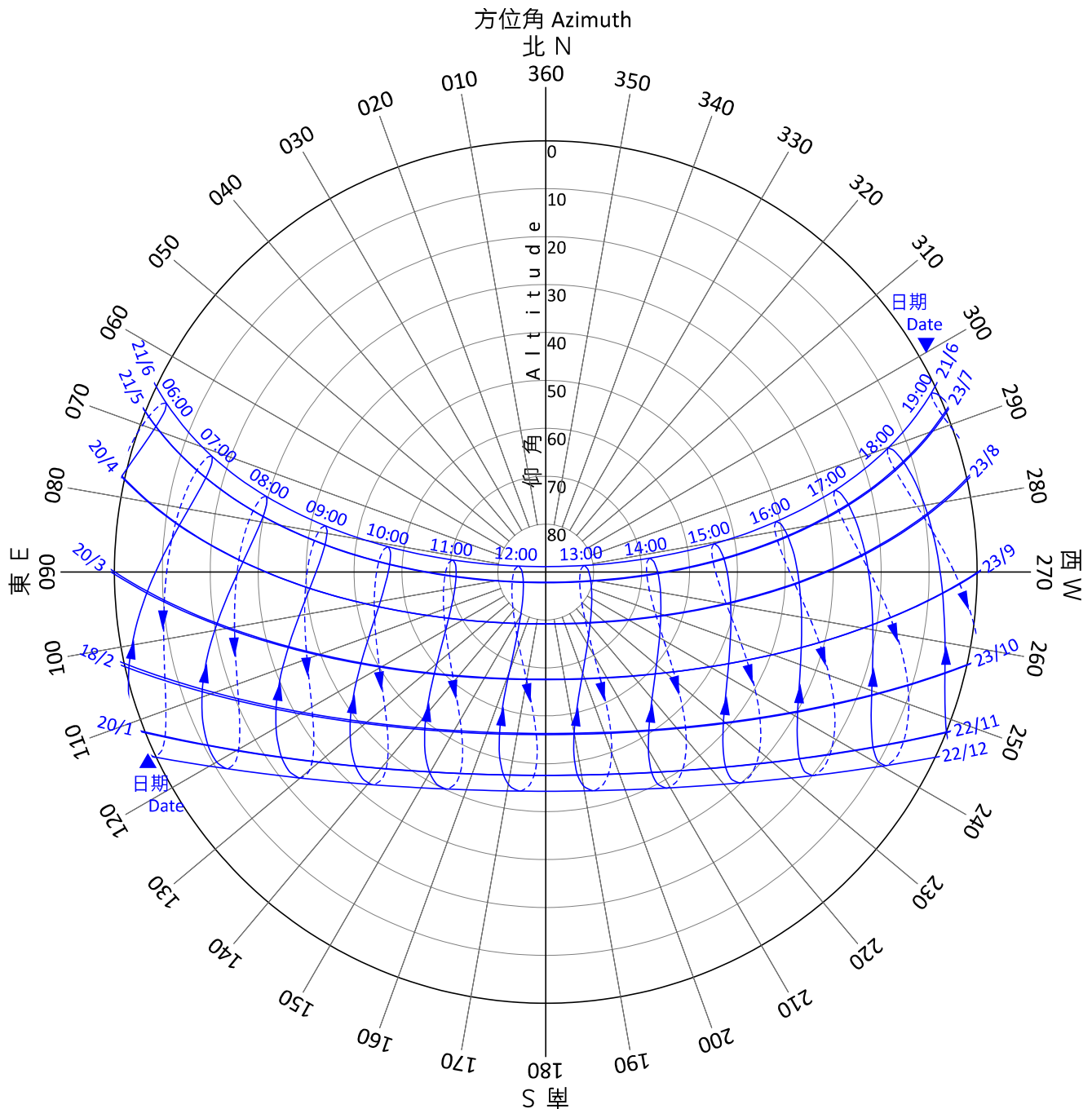


太陽周年路徑圖 (詳盡版)

Paths of the Sun throughout the Year (Full version)



以上的太陽路徑圖方便讀者找尋年內不同時刻的太陽方位角和仰角。藍色弧形線標誌著十二個中氣當天不同時刻的太陽位置，十二個中氣按順時針方向排列，依次序由東側的大寒 (20/1) 開始，經過春分 (20/3)、夏至 (21/6)，轉到西側的大暑 (23/7)，最後於冬至 (22/12) 終結。最上方藍色弧形線上標籤了夏至日由 06:00 至 19:00 香港時間的整鐘點。由這些時間標籤，向下延伸了兩組藍色曲線呈閉合的「8」字形，實線標誌了上半年直到夏至期間各天的整鐘點；虛線則適用於夏至及冬至期間。按照定好的日子和時間查看，就可以分別從放射線及同心圓環線讀取方位角和仰角。

The above Sun Path Diagram can be used to read the solar azimuth and altitude for Hong Kong throughout the year. The blue arcs mark the Sun's positions on 12 major Solar Terms with date sequence in clockwise direction starting from Severe Cold (20/1) labelled on the eastern flank, moving upward to Vernal Equinox (20/3), Summer Solstice (21/6), then Great Heat (23/7) labelled on the western flank, and ending at the Winter Solstice (22/12). The uppermost blue arc is marked with clock hour from 06:00 to 19:00 HKT. There are two sets of blue curves extending from these time labels, forming closed loops with the shape of "8". The solid curves mark the clock hour for the first half of the year up to Summer Solstice, and the dotted curves for the period between Summer Solstice and Winter Solstice. Once the date and time are located, the azimuth can then be read off from the radial lines and the altitude from the concentric circles.