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The Night Sky 30°-40° (Small) Star Finder



Synopsis

The Night Sky is a rotating star finder (planisphere) that allows the user to recognize the constellations for any time of night, any day of the year. The sky appears to rotate (due to the rotation and orbital motion of the earth), so to be successful recognizing the constellations a beginner needs to know which stars are above the horizon at any time. This is the pocket-sized version of The Night Sky suitable for the southern half of the United States, North Africa, and the Middle East. There are versions for the following latitude zones: 50° -60° , 40° -50° , 30° -40° , 20° -30° , and the Southern Hemisphere. There are also full-sized versions available for the same latitude zones.

Book Information

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The Night Sky comes in two sizes: Large (8 inch diameter) and Small (5 inch diameter). The large size is best for learning the constellations. The small size is best as a pocket reference to tell you what constellations are up if you are already reasonably familiar with the constellations. In each size the charts are available for different latitude zones. To find the correct size and latitude zone, use

the following ISBN numbers in your .com search: The Night Sky 50° -60° (Large), 1891938088 (Small), 1891938096 The Night Sky 40° -50° (Large), 0961320745 (Small), 1891938010 The Night Sky 30° -40° (Large), 0961320753 (Small), 1891938029 The Night Sky 20° -30° (Large), 0961320761 (Small), 1891938037 The Night Sky Southern Hemisphere (Large), 0961320737 (Small), 1891938002

Awesome reference material for star gazing, easy to use and understand. Make sure to use a red LED flashlight or red film cover over a regular flashlight so you can read it in the low light. Also, bring you reading glasses to see the small print, there is a LOT of info on this compact wheel. See link below; Get one of these low costs Red LED flashlights to help keep your adjusted night vision in tact. WAYLLSHINE® Zoomable Scalable CREE LED 3 Mode 200 Lumen 150 Yard Long Range Red Light Flashlight Red Hunting Light Tactical Flashlight Red Light Torch For Fishing Hunting & Detector

Very nice product, easy to handle and reasonable price. Good quality. If you are ordering, make sure you get the right one...large and 30*-40* or you will regret it.

There's a lot of information packed into a very small package - I've a long way to go before I've absorbed all of it. However, it's very useful and I'm using it to understand and recognize the constellations. Highly recommended for beginning amateur astronomers.

Not a bad chart. Got my first telescope when I was 10. Great then and great now. Only 58! Use it a lot because I have forgotten a lot over the years. Its funny when I find it on the chart I say ,Oh , I knew that. Easy to use with instruction and hints printed right on it. But if you plan to use it for binocular viewing it does not show all or even a lot of the brightest "deep sky" objects So when you sweep the sky and jump up and down thinking you found a new star changes are it's not new.

It comes in a clear rubber plastic sleeve and is made of durable - but thin - bendable plastic. The inside is cardboard. The center metal axis would be Polaris the North Star. It lights up nice with a red filtered flash light at night. There are direction on it, but for beginners I recommend watching a you tube video on how to use it. It shows the milky way on the star map and has a key for other objects such as nebula and planets. I remember these from back in school in the 90s when I was into space exploration and the shuttles where taking off all the time. Now I am using it for

astronomy, astrology research and sky watching. Works great and feels good in the hands. 30 - 40 degrees for Florida. Make sure you get the proper degrees for you location and hemisphere.

Recently got interested in night photography and shooting pictures of the Milky Way. Although there are apps for Android, and programs for the Mac to help you figure out what's in the sky when, this device is a lot faster and easier to use. In the time it would take me to just launch an app or a program, I can already have the information I need. And it doesn't need batteries!

Very pleased with purchase.

Nice addition to my go bag!

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