

ASTRONOMY INFORMATION

Articles about astronomy and telescopes are available from

- **Astronomy Magazine:** <http://www.astronomy.com/>
- **Sky & Telescope Magazine:** <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/>

Winston-Salem information on astronomy and telescopes can be found at

- **The Forsyth Astronomical Society (FAS):** <http://FAS37.org>
- **SciWorks Planetarium:** <http://www.sciworks.org/visit/exhibits/planetarium/>

Learning the sky

- Sea and Sky "[The Sky](#)"
- Sea and Sky "[Astronomical Calendar of Celestial Events for 2013](#)"
- [Guy Ottewell Astronomical Calendar](#) available from Amazon.com
- [Stardate.org](#)
- [EarthSky.org](#)
- [Heavens-Above.com](#)
- [Space.com](#)

Star Charts

Star charts provide a map of the night sky and show the location of stars, constellations, planets and "deep sky" objects.

- **Sky & Telescope ([Getting Started in Astronomy](#))** set of star charts for the entire year
- **Astronomy Magazine ([The starry sky](#))** on-line tour of the night sky
- Star charts and observation highlights for the current month can be found at
 - **Astronomy Magazine (current issue):** <http://www.astronomy.com/>
 - **Sky & Telescope Magazine (current issue):** <http://www.skyandtelescope.com/>
 - **Orion Telescopes ([Monthly Star Chart](#)):**
 - [What's Out Tonight?](#)
 - [Skymaps.com](#)
 - **One-Minute Astronomer ([The Night Sky This Month](#))**
 - **Space.com ([Skywatching](#)):**

Planispheres

- Planispheres (star wheels) are also useful. Among them are:
 - [Uncle Al's Star Wheels](#)
 - [Guide to the Stars \(16"\)](#)
 - [Guide to the Stars \(11"\)](#)
 - [The Night Sky 3⁰⁰-4⁰⁰](#) (Large; North Latitude):
 - **The Star Finder:** Sold in the SciWorks Gift Shop
- There are many star chart apps available including **Planets, Sky Guide, Star Chart, SkySafari 3, Pocket Universe, Red Shift, GoSkyWatch, Distant Suns, Star Walk, Night Sky, Sky Map, ...**

Telescopes

Here are a few on-line articles and videos with advice about choosing a telescope.

- *Astronomical League:* "[What is the Best Telescope for Me?](#)"
- *Sky & Telescope:* "[Choosing Your First Telescope](#)"
- *Astronomy magazine and Celestron:* "[Buying a telescope](#)"
- *Astronomy Magazine:* "[How to Choose a Telescope](#)"
- *Orion Telescopes:* "[Choosing a Telescope for Astronomy - The long version](#)"
- *Video from Astronomy Magazine:* "[Buying your first telescope](#)"
- *One-Minute Astronomer:* "[How To Choose A Telescope – Video Series](#)"

Telescopes can be purchased from a number of suppliers including the following.

- **Orion Telescopes:** <http://www.telescope.com/>
- **Meade Instruments:** <http://www.meade.com/>
- **Celestron:** <http://www.celestron.com/>