



# **OVERVIEW**

SkyTonight.com is a place where members of the astronomical community can come together to share their love of the night sky with each other and with the broader public. The focus is on observing – what visitors will see in the "sky tonight." From starhopping to deep-sky object hunting to equipment browsing, SkyTonight.com has something for everyone. Community and interactivity are key at SkyTonight. SkyTonight.com visitors can:

- Program an Interactive Star Chart for a specific location/date/time
- · Personalize almanac settings
- Upload photos to various astrophoto galleries
- Submit comments in response to articles and blogs
- Submit questions to our Hobby Q&A section
- Download podcasts (starhops, interviews, and more)
- · Set up RSS feeds
- Submit an astronomy club listing
- · Search for astronomy clubs
- Submit a star party or other local event
- · Search for star parties and other events
- Partake in polls, trivia, and reader panels
- Compare products in our Telescope Buyer's Guide
- View the most popular articles on the site
- Read selected articles from Sky & Telescope and Night Sky magazines
- Download PDFs of archived articles dating back to 1996
- Post and browse classified ads
- · Track Jupiter's Red Spot
- Predict the locations of Saturn's moons
- · Learn the phase of the Moon for any night

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# **HOME PAGE**

## LEADERBOARD BANNER ■

Dimensions: 728 x 90 Max. File Size: 32k Continuous Loop

# SKYSCRAPER ■

Dimensions: 160 x 600 Max. File Size: 48k Continuous Loop

## **BUTTON** ■

Dimensions: 120 x 90 Max. File Size: 8k gif

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# **RUN OF SITE**

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# MARKETPLACE/TEXT ADS ■

Pay-for-performance marketing program. Click on "Buy a Link" to place a bid.

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# **CHANNEL FOCUS**

Channel advertising is a unique way to reach a specific audience by their defined area of interest. You can set up banner rotation in one or multiple channels. SkyTonight has six topic channels:

- News
- Observing
- How To
- Equipment
- Community
- Resources

Units include: Leaderboards, Medium Rectangles, Skyscrapers, and Buttons.

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## **NEWS**

News from SkyTonight News off the Wires

#### **OBSERVING**

Observing Highlights
This Week's Sky at a Glance
Celestial Objects
Observing Projects
Sky Tour Podcasts
Interactive Sky Chart
Mobile Sky Chart
Interactive Observing Tools

#### HOW TO

Stargazing Basics Do It Yourself Visual Observing Astrophotography

## **EQUIPMENT**

Telescope Buyer's Guide Choosing Your Equipment Industry News S&T Test Reports Classifieds Advertiser Directory

## COMMUNITY

Clubs & Organizations Event Calendar Photo Gallery Photo Contest Blogs Hobby Q & A Reader Panel

## RESOURCES

Astro Software
Astronomy Web Sites
Saving Dark Skies
SETI: Searching for Life
Pro-Am Collaboration
Astronomy Day

# July 1. 11 21 Aug

#### EQUIPMENT INFO



SkyScout Hits the Street
The first production models of
Celestron's SkyScout began
in July, and we had one in tin

OBSERVING HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK'S S

begin our testing late last month. Here's our impression. > read more

TELESCOPE BUYER'S GUIDE S&T TEST REPORT

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# E-MAIL NEWSLETTERS

Ensure that your advertising messages are delivered to the most appropriate audience in a high quality editorial environment.

#### WEEKLY BULLETIN

## WEEKLY

This newsletter serves as a roundup of the past week's astronomical news and observing stories. Inside you'll also find information about what's new inside the other departments of SkyTonight.com.

## BLOG REPORT MONTHLY

Keep up to date with the latest debates and discussions with this recap of our recent blog postings. And be sure to join in the conversation.

## STAR HOP

## **MONTHLY**

What's up in the sky this evening? Let SkyTonight.com's editorial staff take you on an audio tour of the heavens each month with our free-for-download MP3 podcast.

## PHOTO GALLERY

## MONTHLY

Inside is a roundup of the best amateur astrophotography over the past month. You'll also find links to astrophotography stories listing tips and techniques for improving your images.

## PRODUCT SHOWCASE

## **MONTHLY**

This bulletin highlights the latest news and announcements about astronomy-related equipment and accessories. You'll also find information about the current month's S&T Test Report and information about the Telescope Buyer's Guide.

# E-MAIL-A-FRIEND

One of the most popular Web tools people use! Get your message across to friends of SkyTonight readers. 468x60 banners across bottom of e-mail.

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# FILE SPECIFICATIONS AND PLACEMENT PROCEDURES

## ACCEPTABLE FILE FORMATS

We accept a variety of file formats including JPG, GIF, animated GIFs, and rich media including XHTML and Flash. For formats outside of the ones mentioned, please contact the advertising department.

## **DEFAULT GRAPHIC**

Whenever you submit ads in XHTML or Flash formats, we require an accompanying JPG or GIF creative unit that can act as a default graphic. (That's because some consumers set their browsers to not accept rich media banners and when this occurs, your JPG or GIF banner will typically load in its place.)

## **ALT TEXT**

Required for all applicable creative. Limit of 60 characters. Text should be descriptive of advertisement (i.e., avoid "Click here to see more!") and not contain the word "image." Default alt text is "SkyTonight Advertisement."

## **ANIMATION**

Continuous looping allowed as long as used in a manner that does not excessively consume CPU resources.

#### URL

An active URL must be provided as it will be linked from the ad and cannot exceed 128

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characters. Ad must open a new browser window upon click. Use <target=" blank"> on all HREF's

# ABOUT 3RD PARTY AD SERVING

Third-party ad serving by approved thirdparty ad servers is allowed on SkyTonight for most ad units (see specifications of specific ad unit). Third-party servers can never use cookies to profile SkyTonight users' navigational behavior or use outside profiles to target SkyTonight users.

3rd Party Technologies Accepted Atlas DMT

Doubleclick Dart for Advertisers (DFA) Eyeblaster, Inc Eyewonder, Inc.

Klipmart Corporation

Mediaplex, Inc Point • Roll, Inc.

# **3RD PARTY REQUIREMENTS**

SkyTonight allows third-party rich media tags for the rotation of rich media, and requests standard third-party tags (href, img src) for the use of gif/jpg only.

- Third-party ad server must be on SkyTonight's approved list.
- Third-party ad server must be in compliance with SkyTonight's specified policy, guidelines and requirements.
- All art creative and redirect tags that call the third-party ad server must be tested and pre-approved by SkyTonight prior to the campaign start date. (See specifications for specific ad type for the turnaround time.) Note: Any element not meeting spec will be returned for revision, which may result in a

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Submission of materials, insertion orders, and verbal and nonverbal space reservations line and may result in a delayed launch date.

constitutes acceptance of the following conditions of publisher, New Track Media:

All advertising copy is subject to approval by publisher, which reserves the right to reject or cancel any advertisement or part thereof deemed unsuitable for any reason.

All Banner ad cancellations must be received in writing 3 working days prior to the cancellation of the ad(s).

Absence of written notification after verbal reservation does not invalidate advertising commitment.

Conditions and rates are subject to change upon written notice from the publisher. Any rate changes will be announced to currently contracted advertisers in writing.

# **PERFORMANCE**

Any creative that delays load time or fails to appear on SkyTonight Networks sites will be pulled immediately and the client will be notified, which may impede campaign timelines.

All creative must function uniformly on both Mac and PC platforms of the most recent versions of the following browsers by the client, before the creative delivery deadline:

• Internet Explorer • Netscape • FireFox • Opera • Mozilla • Safari

#### RESTRICTIONS

- Media cannot launch a pop-up window unless user initiates it by clicking on your ad.
- All ads must open a new browser window upon click. Use <target=" blank"> on all href's.
- If the submitted creative does not conform to the specifications, it will not be placed on-