

Here's a guide to the books, charts, magazines and software mentioned in the Night Sky Course.

Resource	Rating	Author	Comments
Introductory Astronomy and Astrophysics	*****	Zelik and Smith Second Edition	Course used at Carleton Prof. Dan Kessler
Observers Handbook	*****	RASC handbook	
Turn Left at Orion	*****	G Consolmagno, D Davis	A *must* to learn star
Celestial Sampler	*****	Sue French	She also writes Small Sky and Tel.
Messier's Nebulae and Star Clusters	*****	Kenneth Glyn Jones	Superb observing guide companion
Atlas of the Moon		Rukl	classic ref may be out of
365 Starry Nights	*****	Chet Raymo	Nearly as good as Turn
The Joy of Gazing	***	David Levy	Might be vanity press
Deep Sky Objects	*****	David Levy	Based a lot of the course infectious joy!
The Stars Belong to Everyone	****	Helen Sawyer Hogg	Good and poetic explan
The Stars	*****	H.A. Rey	Good illustrations - con
The Isobel Williamson Lunar Observing Program	****	Handbook from the RASC	Must be a RASC memb
<b>Star Charts</b>			
Pocket Sky Atlas	*****	Roger Sinnott	
Phillip's Color Star Atlas	***	Cox and Monkhouse	interesting - not always
Sky Atlas 2000	*****	Wil. Tirion	Do your Messier and N with this.
<b>Magazines</b>			
Sky and Telescope	****	sky publishing	focused on observing a american magazine
Sky News	**	Terrance Dickenson , Ed	Canadian beginner mag

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Journal of the RASC 2000  
<http://rasc.ca/jrasc>

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RASC publication some peer  
reviewed papers ☐

see also <http://rasc.ca/r>

Software

Sky Safari

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Ipod star chart ☐

Don't sit and stare at it  
to plan!

Earth Centered Universe - Observer's  
Handbook Edition

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