



## **Product Release Announcement**

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## **DEEP-SKY PLANNER 7 RELEASED**

Knightware is pleased to announce the release of **Deep-Sky Planner 7**, available by digital delivery or on CD. The product helps observers plan what to observe and when, and it gives up-to-the-minute information while observing.

The new version includes an expanded and updated object database of over 1.5 million objects, including the Revised NGC/IC (Steinicke, 2016) and exclusive data for the Arp Peculiar Galaxy catalog. The database includes the most up-to-date professional catalog data available.

Numerous improvements have been made to the user interface, making the data more accessible than ever before. Observing plans can be imported from other software, and they can be exported to Argo Navis, Sky Commander, ACP Observatory Control Software, Cartes du Ciel, Sequence Generator Pro and SkySafari (on iOS, Android and Mac OS). Deep-Sky Planner includes Smart Chart Operation™, allowing you to display objects in your favorite planetarium software instantly. Real-time telescope control allows you to move your ASCOM-compatible GoTo telescope automatically to any object.

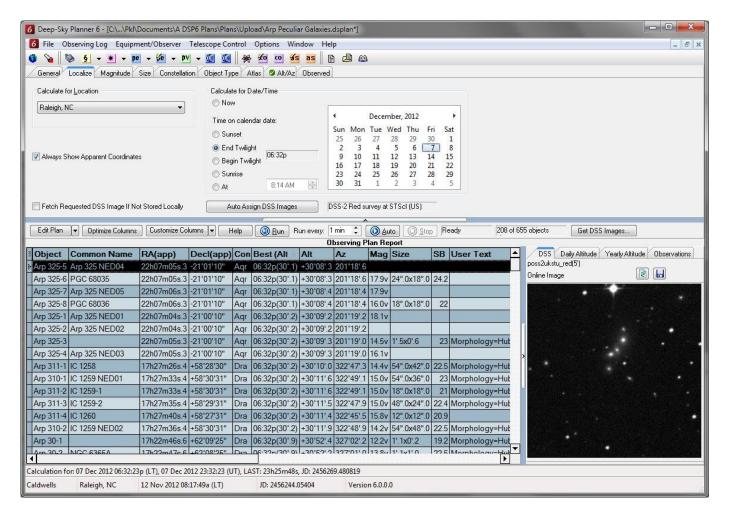
New visibility models are included that assess whether objects are visible given observer, equipment and sky conditions. Sky Darkness data can be read and displayed continuously from a connected Sky Quality Meter.

**Deep-Sky Planner 7** includes a fully integrated observing log with the most extensive logging features available. Users can attach images, sketches, video and audio clips to an observation. Observing logs can be exchanged with other software in **OpenAstronomyLog** format, and they can be posted in HTML format to a web site.

**Deep-Sky Planner** operates on Windows 10, 8, and 7. It includes thorough documentation, online product support and online product updates. The online product community allows licensed users to access an extensive library of pre-built observing plans and equipment lists used by the product. For full product description please see <a href="http://www.knightware.biz/dsp">http://www.knightware.biz/dsp</a>.

## **Pricing and Availability**

Deep-Sky Planner 7 is available by digital delivery (\$75) and on CD (\$83.95) directly from Knightware at http://www.knightware.biz



Arp Peculiar Galaxies at least 30° altitude at end of twilight on 7 Dec 2012, sorted by best time to view. The image shows several members of Arp 325.