

Exploring the Night Sky: Constellations

What are Constellations?

Constellations are groups of stars that form patterns in the night sky.

They have been used for centuries by various cultures for navigation, storytelling, and marking seasons.

There are 88 officially recognized constellations, each with its own mythological or historical significance.



How are Constellations Named?

Many constellations are named after characters from Greek and Roman mythology.

Others are named after animals, objects, or scientific instruments.

Some constellations have names that reflect their shape or position in the sky.



Popular Constellations to Look For

Some well-known constellations include Orion, Ursa Major, Cassiopeia, and Scorpius.

Orion is recognizable by the three stars in a row that form his belt.

Ursa Major, also known as the Big Dipper, can be found in the northern sky and is often used to find the North Star.

