



Stargazers' Almanac 2012: Monthly guide to the stars and planets

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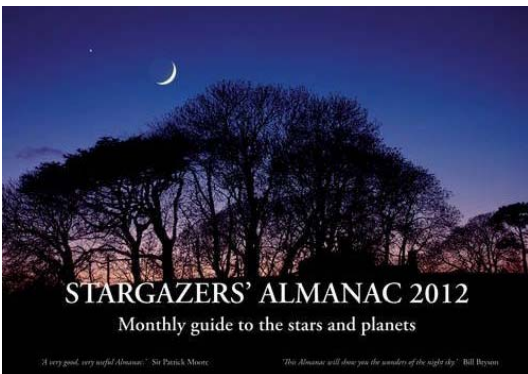
Arriving as it does with the regularity of the annual harvest, it is a pleasure to welcome once again the *Stargazers' Almanac* for 2012. The for-

mat is the familiar one of monthly charts showing the constellations on view, the Milky Way, the positions of the planets and the phases of the Moon for both northern and southern outlooks. There are comprehensive instructions on how to use the *Almanac*, plus feature articles on 'How Does our Calendar Work?', explaining the different forms of the calendar which have been used through the ages, and 'Where have the stars gone?' raising awareness of the issues of light pollution.

The *Almanac* should have wide appeal both to astronomers who want to be reminded of what to look for in the night sky each month, and to the wider public who simply want to know which stars and constellations they can see when they venture out to dark skies.

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