**Stargazing Beginner Resources**

**Dark Sites**

<https://www.lightpollutionmap.info/>

<https://darksky.org/places/moores-reserve-south-downs-dark-sky-reserve/>

Join your local Astronomical Society

**Night Sky Apps**

Stellarium

Sky Safari 2

Skar Walk 2

**Equipment**

Red Light Torches/head lights (wrap around your wrist to avoid blinding others)

Layers, weatherproof clothing

Comfortable chairs, camping mats, hot drinks, water, food

Full battery phone

Planisphere, star charts <https://www.skymaps.com/downloads.html>

**Magazines**

Astronomy Now

BBC Sky at Night

Sky and Telescope

**Planning Books**

Philips Stargazing 2024

Collins 2024 Guide to the Night Sky Britain and Ireland

Collins Moongazing by Tom Kerss

Moon maps

**Astronomical Societies**

Ewell <https://ewellastronomy.org/>

Guildford <https://www.guildfordas.org/>

Farnham <https://www.farnham-as.co.uk/>

Walton <http://www.waltonastrogroup.co.uk/>

<http://www.astronomyclubs.co.uk/Clubs/Counties.aspx>

**Location Planning**

Safety considerations trump light pollution