

Ancient-Skies Human Cultures and Their Skies

The relationship between mankind and the sky is as old as mankind itself!

Humans started to recognise and interpret the objects and events in the sky as soon as they had fulfilled their basic needs.

The sky, our common and universal heritage, forms an integral part of all human cultures around the world.

The basic concept of "Ancient-Skies - Human Cultures and Their Skies" is that all human beings live on one single planet and share the same sky. Knowing this, we created an infrastructure to preserve this global heritage. The aim is to collect, verify and publish available information about various human cultures, their astronomical knowledge and its representation in the sky within a single web-accessible knowledgebase. The method is to rely on primary sources and verify them scientifically, so that the published information is valueable to the general public and scientists all over the world.

All of these thoughts led us straight towards our overall vision

One Planet \rightarrow One Mankind \rightarrow One Sky \rightarrow One Knowledgebase



Constellation Andromeda within the human culture



Our knowledgebase holds basic information about objects in the sky, that are visible to the unaided eye. It also holds cultural information like names and mythological stories and the source of the information published.



Our knowledgebase holds information about many different human cultures and has a graphical filtering interface to reduce the number of search results to certain global regions and/or cultural epoches.



Star HIPPARCOS 032349, also known as Sirius

How to contribute your scientific work

If you are doing research in cultural astronomy and would like to include your work in our knowledgebase, please contact our global co-ordinators

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