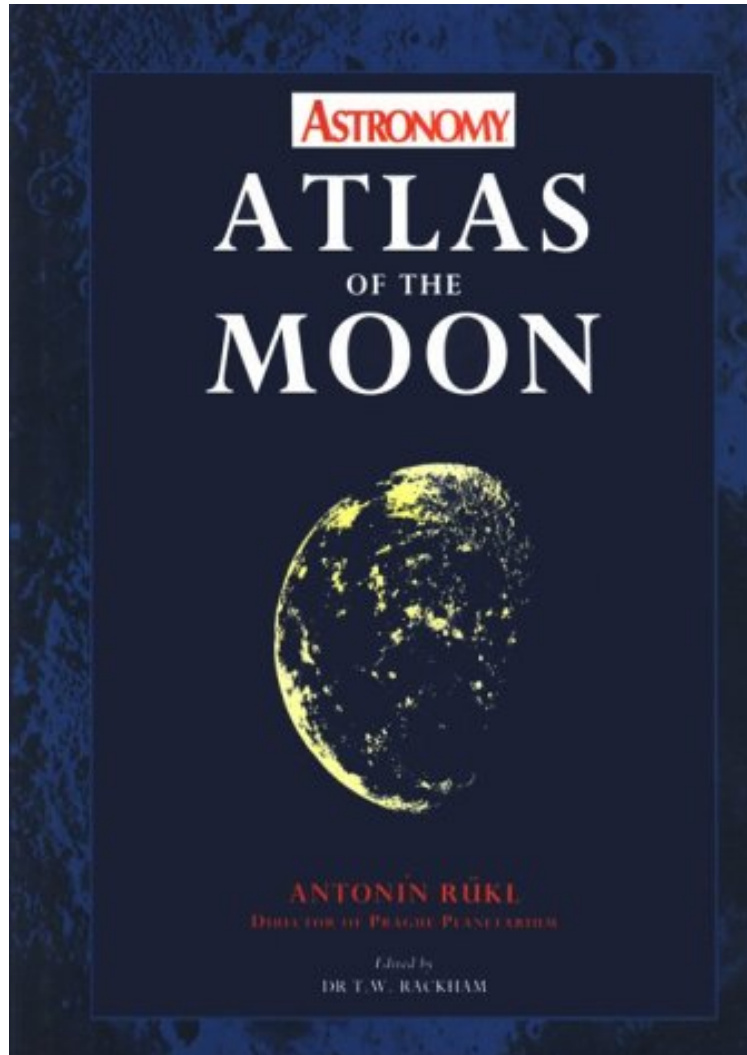


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to take to the eyepiece.-The atlas is also divided up into small sections which makes it more enjoyable to plan a "visit," with plenty of description about the people for whom the craters are named (of course, one can never be satisfied that enough features are named). Users of both small and large telescopes can enjoy using this book. The author has complemented his research with a good bibliography, comprehensive charts, and a brief description of the art and science of observing the moon. Surprisingly, and disappointingly, he gives very little description about his work in drawing the lunar features or general astronomical sketching, which in my opinion is a missed opportunity to add some charm and value to an already aesthetic book. He also says little about some of the pre-scientific ideas and musings about this object which has captivated and enriched the imaginations, as well as the mind, of so many people for so much of our history. Well, there are other sources, but it would have been nice to have the artist's perspective.- Observational astronomers often complain about the moon as a source of light pollution. So did I, until I decided to join in and enjoy what I couldn't change (the moon is also less subject to the many vagaries of astronomical seeing). This is a superb book to use with either a small or a large telescope and the rich artwork will add to your enjoyment of one of our most beautiful astronomical companions. May the moon brightly "light up" your observing.

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I've been an amateur stargazer for more than 40 years, but I've never spent much time on the moon. I always got lost in the confusing jumble of chaos, especially in the lunar highlands. This atlas is MUCH easier for me to figure out what I'm looking at than any of the photographic atlases I've attempted to use in the past, mainly (I figure) because the views are charted out without the drastically changing views brought on by different angles of illumination. I should have sprung for one of these a long time ago for those nights when the moon is drowning out the dim fuzzies I usually search out.

A best-seller that traces the history of the Moon, its surface, its origin and evolution, and its exploration. Includes a detailed map of 76 sections of the Moon's surface observable by telescope. Designed for both beginning and experienced lunar observers. By Antonin Rukl. 8 1/4 x 11; 224 pgs.; 75 bw photos; 190+ diagrams; hardcover. Available to U.S. customers only.

From Booklist
This is a great book for telescope users and a fine one for ordinary browsers. It is an up-to-date atlas of the observable part of the moon. Maps of the moon compose the bulk of the book's 224 pages. The introduction discusses history, terminology, phases of the moon, and the moon's surface. This is followed by maps of 76 sections of the near side of the moon, each accompanied by a small locator map. Facing pages include place-names and their derivations as well as map coordinates. Following the maps are photographs of interesting lunar formations (craters, ring mountains, walled plains), advice on setting up and using a telescope, descriptions of eclipses, and a glossary. There is a thorough bibliography and index of named formations at the end of the book. One can look up Amundsen, for example, and locate the ring mountain named after him. The only comparable works are Moon-Mars-Venus (Hamlyn, 1976) and Alter's Pictorial Guide to the Moon (1967). This new book has far more information clearly presented, and names are up-to-date. As director of the Prague Planetarium, the author is knowledgeable and explains terms clearly. Any library with even one patron interested in or studying astronomy should consider this book.