
Voyager SkyGazer Set-up Instructions

1. Copy contents of the CD into a folder on your hard drive, named something like "Voyager"
2. Click on SkyGazer.EXE, then select the Run box
3. Resize the window if necessary; you'll want to be able to use the scroll and zoom tools at the bottom
4. Pull down Control---Set Time; check daylight savings time (note that you will need to uncheck this box between late October and mid April. The time should match that set on your computer
5. Pull down Control---Set Location; find Los Angeles on a list of cities and select it, then click OK. Close the location panel to unclutter the main screen
6. Pull down Chart---Sky View; select Full Sky View (360 degrees) not Planetarium view which is the default
7. Pull down Control---Define Horizon; check Translucent, and Show Horizon Line; then check Apply , then OK
8. Pull down Display---Reference Markers; check Horizon Line and Cardinal Points
9. Pull down Chart----Chart Colors; change things here to suit your preferences; for example, make the daytime background sky a darker blue if you want to see the twilight stars and planets better
10. Pull down Chart----Star Symbols; maker the stars Bright and Enhanced Color to amplify these effects;
11. You can make other adjustments under Chart to suit your preferences.
12. If you want a grid to figure out altitude, Pull down Display---Coordinate Grids; check Local Horizon-Altazimuth Grid
13. The two handy panels to show along with the main sky view window are the Time Panel and the Display Panel. These can be turned on under Pull down Control.
14. Now you need to save all these settings. Pull down File---Save Settings----select Settings Without Time. Replace "untitled" with Startup.vgr. You will be asked if you want to replace the existing default startup. Yes you do.
15. Close the program, then re open it by selecting SkyGazer.EXE. Your startup file should show up with all the appropriate stuff displayed, including the current time of day or night.
16. Now you can do some real experimenting and thinking. Use the adjustments on the Time Panel to move forward or backward in time. Use the buttons on the Display panel to turn stars, constellations, planets on or off. Use the Location Panel to change your location to the southern Hemisphere, equator, or north pole to observe some interesting effects
