### **ADAS Guide to using Eyepieces**

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# **Eyepieces FAQ**

#### • What is an eyepiece ?

• An eyepiece is the lens added to the end of a Telescope of any type (Refractor, Reflector or Compound) to magnify the image for visual use.

#### • What different types are there ?

- Most eyepieces are fixed focal length and typically ranging from 4mm up to 50mm
- Some are zoom eyepieces able to change their focal length across a range e.g. 7mm 21mm

#### • Why should I have more than one eyepiece ?

• To make your telescope have different magnifications

#### • Who makes eyepieces ?

- •Bresser Eyepieces
- •Orion Eyepieces
- Revelation Eyepieces
- •Meade Eyepieces
- Explore Scientific Eyepieces
- •Baader Eyepieces
- •TeleVue Eyepieces
- •Skywatcher Eyepieces
- •Vixen Eyepieces

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#### How do I calculate my telescope magnification ?

The magnification of any telescope is the focal length of the main telescope divided by the focal length of the eyepiece.

- e.g. Telescope 1000mm Eyepiece 25mm = 40 x magnification Telescope 500mm Eyepiece 5mm = 100 x magnification
- Where can I buy eyepieces ?

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