

Feature	Argo Navis	Sky Commander	NGC-MAX
<i>Catalog Size</i>	29,000	9,000+	14,000
<i>Processor(s)</i>	(2) 40Mhz 32 bit and 8 bit	(1) 8 bit	(1) 8 bit
<i>High Speed Cache (faster!)</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>User Catalog</i>	1100 by name + comments	59 by number	27 by number
<i>Loadable Comet Orbital Elements</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Loadable Asteroid Orbital Elements</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Loadable SATELLITE Elements</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Loadable User Observer Notes</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Upgradeable</i>	Yes - Flash	Yes - EPROM	Yes - EPROM
<i>Upgrade Cost</i>	Free!	\$\$	\$\$
<i>Display Type</i>	32 character red LCD	32 Character green LCD	16 Character red LED
<i>Brightness control (settings)</i>	100	3	5
<i>Auto Scroll on text readout</i>	Yes - active	No	Yes setable
<i>Display Resolution</i>	0.01 degrees	0.1 degrees	0.1 degrees
<i>Heater for LCD</i>	Yes, programmable	Yes (only ext power)	N/A
<i>Battery Backed time of day</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Local Sidereal time</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>UTC Time display</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Local Time display</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Julian Time display</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Timer - Sidereal</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Timer - Standard</i>	Yes	No	Yes
<i>Encoder resolution</i>	very high	high	medium
<i>Encoder Test Mode</i>	Yes	No	Yes
<i>Encoder Error indication</i>	Yes	No	Yes
<i>Encoder mode display</i>	Degrees and counts	none	Counts
<i>Encoder sample rate</i>	16,000 Hz	1200 Hz	2500 Hz
<i>Search Mode</i>	Yes - very FAST!	Yes - slow	Yes - medium
<i>Tour Mode</i>	Yes!	No	No
<i>Search by Type</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Search by Mag</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Search by Size</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Search by Constellation</i>	Yes	Yes	No
<i>Search by Radius</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Catalog by Name</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Mount Correction capable</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Refraction correction</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Nutation correction</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Precession correction</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Corrected object position</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Auto Adjust on alignment</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Planet position calculation</i>	Arc-seconds	Up to degrees	Up to degrees
<i>Platform compatible</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Platform remaining time display</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Platform audible "time to reset" alarm</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Platform one star align support</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Platform 2 star align support</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Platform rough align support</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Rough Align EQ mode</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>(Polar) EQ mode</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<i>Multiple align star select</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>Serial Port</i>	Yes - 2	Yes - 1	Yes - 1
<i>Sky Commander Emulation support</i>	Yes	Yes	No
<i>Tangent Emulation support</i>	Yes	No	Yes
<i>Meade Emulation support</i>	Yes	No	No
<i>ServoCAT support</i>	Yes	Yes	No
<i>SkyTracker support</i>	Yes	Yes	No
<i>Price</i>	\$409	\$275	\$479 or more

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