

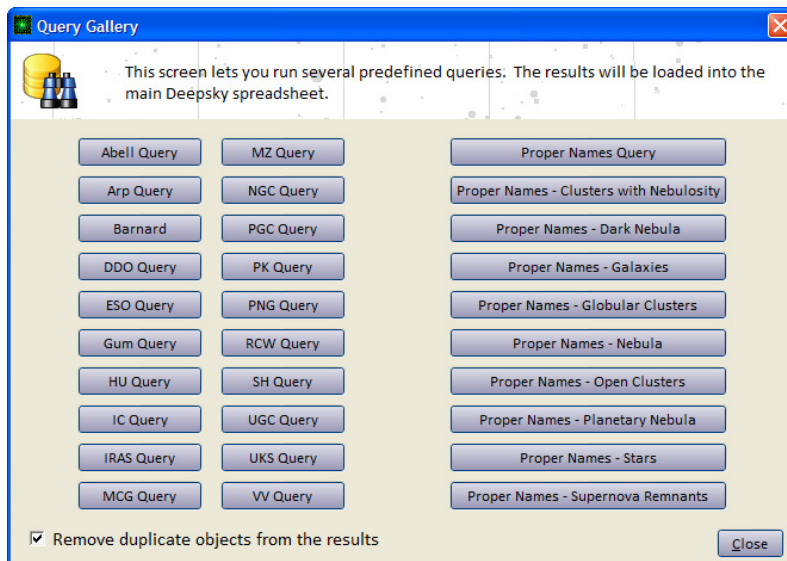
Upgrade Information for existing Deepsky users

When will the new Deepsky be available?

Sometime in January 2011. You will receive an announcement when it is ready.

Why Upgrade:

- First major new version in 4 years.
- New NOMAD star database with stars to magnitude 17.5 (DVD version).
- Updated database with many new common and proper names added.
- Significant updates to the Deepsky logbook.
- New catalogs including Saguaro Club database version 8.1
- New horizon filter and maximum altitude filter.
- Ability to keep logbook files in a central location for easy sharing amongst multiple computers.
- New Query Gallery with many existing queries already created.
- Over 60 new features, enhancements, and fixes in the new version.



Upgrade Cost:

- Download \$29.99 – Does not include the NOMAD star database. Approximate download size will be 300 megabytes.
- CD ROM \$34.99 – this version is the same as the download version.

- DVD \$39.99 - this version comes on a single DVD and includes all new features.

Shipping: \$2 in USA and \$6 elsewhere

Upgrade Instructions:

The new version of Deepsky will require uninstalling the old version. Please use these instructions (steps 1 through 7) to safely migrate your logbook and other settings to the new version BEFORE you uninstall the old version.

1. Create an empty folder on your desktop so that you can copy your existing databases and logbook before you uninstall Deepsky.
2. Go to the C:\Program Files\Deepsky folder on your computer using Windows explorer or My Computer. If you installed Deepsky in some other location, go there instead.
3. Copy the following files into the empty folder you created in step 1:
 - a. Logbook200?.mdb – This may be named slightly different depending on the version you have but it will always start with Logbook and then a number followed by the file extension .MDB (Microsoft Access).
 - b. *.pln – These are your observing plan files. If you never created your own observing plans then you can skip this step.
 - c. Deeppro708000.mdb – This is the main Deepsky database. The new version of Deepsky includes a new database which is named the same. If you have imported your own catalogs in the past, you will have to re-import them after the upgrade. If this is not possible because of the many changes you may have made, you can use the old version of the database, but you may experience problems with the new Query Gallery feature.
If you have not added any new catalogs then you do not need to copy the Deeppro708000.mdb file to the folder you created in step 1.
4. If you copied the Deepsky supplied images onto your hard disk and they reside in the Deepsky folder, please move the folder into the folder you created in step 1. You can copy it instead of moving it if you want but that will take your computer longer to do.
5. If you have the AstroCard add-on CD installed, please copy the **ci** folder to the folder you created in step 1.
6. After these steps have been completed, you are safe to uninstall Deepsky through the add/remove programs in the control panel. Once the uninstaller finishes, go into the Deepsky

folder and delete any leftover files.

7. Reboot your computer.
8. Install the new Deepsky software onto your computer.

IF YOU ARE INSTALLING ONTO WINDOWS VISTA OR WINDOWS 7, PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW THE INSTALL INSTRUCTIONS AT THE FOLLOWING URL:

<http://www.deepskysoftware.net/help/vista1/Vista7issues.htm>

9. Once Deepsky is installed, copy the logbook200?.mdb file and any .pln files you saved in step 1 back into the Deepsky folder with the new version of the software. When you run Deepsky the first time, you will see a conversion dialog screen which will transfer your old logbook information into the new logbook. Your old logbook will be saved under the name old.mdb.

Users who have purchased Deepsky after 11/3/2010

If you recently purchased Deepsky on or after 11/3/2010, you qualify for a free upgrade of the download version.

Release Notes can be found here

<http://www.deepskysoftware.net/downloads/ds2011releasenotes.pdf>

Have any questions?

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