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**Jonathan Poppele : Night Sky Playing Cards: Playing with the Constellations (Nature's Wild Cards)** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Night Sky Playing Cards: Playing with the Constellations (Nature's Wild Cards):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Really cool playing cards! By Mackenzi Nomura I ordered these cards as a gift for my husband and we both love them! They arrived in good condition and all are in good shape. We

looked through them right after we received them in the mail and they were a lot of fun to look at and I already learned quite a bit! Each card has a different constellation on it, along with the name of the constellation, the pronunciation, the translation, and a more detailed picture with a drawing of what the full constellation looks like (in theory? :)). They also have the best season for viewing on each card and they are organized by suit. For example, the heart suit is all spring. I especially liked that they have the pronunciation on the cards for the names of the constellations and that each card is different. The constellations are also organized by difficulty or ease in ability to find them in the sky. For a comprehensive example, the Ace of hearts is Ursa Major, which is pronounced ER-suh MAY-jur, means "the great bear", is easier to find in the sky (so it is a high card), and is easiest to spot in the Spring. We haven't actually played with the cards yet, but I am sure we will and they seem like they will be great. We are excited to use them for game night. The only issues we have noticed are pretty minimal. They are fit very tightly into the box so they are somewhat difficult to get in and out, but it is doable. The other is that they are slightly larger than normal cards so they would not easily mix with other decks. This is only an issue if this is something that you need to do, or an easy fix for that would be to just buy as many decks as you need of this deck! :) 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Night Sky Playing Cards By Diane Weeks Beautiful Cards with beautiful pictures of the constellations I loved the deck of cards, but they were too dark for me. I gave them to my 10 year old grandson and he loves them. He has very good eyes. Black Background did not interfere with his interest in the stars. 13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Much larger than standard cards By emptypockets304 The images are alright, but these are more like flash cards than something I would actually play a card game with. I wish there was some indication of where to find these constellations in the sky as well.

Play cards and learn about constellations! Play your favorite card games while studying the constellations. Based on the award-winning Night Sky field guide by Jonathan Poppele, this gorgeous deck of playing cards features 52 different constellations, and each suit represents a different season. So you'll know what to look for and when to look for it. The deck can also be used as flash cards. Learning the constellations has never been so much fun!

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