A Walk through the Southern Sky
Third Edition

A guide to stars and constellations and their legends

A Walk through the Southern Sky is a beautifully illustrated guide to the stars and constellations of the southern hemisphere. By following the simplified and easy-to-use star maps, readers will be able to identify constellations with no equipment but normal sight and a clear night sky. This book provides clear instructions on how to determine star sizes and the distances between stars, allowing readers to move easily between constellations. The budding astronomer is introduced to the mystery and wonder of the southern sky as the myths and legends of its stars and constellations are wondrously retold.

The third edition of this magical book features a new moon map, an updated list of planet positions, additional illustrations and more realistic star maps. It is an invaluable and beautiful guide for beginner stargazers, both young and old.

Milton Heifetz and Wil Tirion also created A Walk through the Heavens, a guide to stars and constellations as visible from northern latitudes, now in its third edition (Cambridge University Press, 2004).

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This book is dedicated to our grandchildren:

Elena, Sari, Ariel, Jenny, Litan, Ilan, David, Ariana, Ori, Kylian,
and those yet to come
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