

Re: Masuyama's, what do we know about them?

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On Sat, 31 Jul 2004 17:20:44 GMT, Lawrence Sayre <lsayre@neo.rr.com> wrote:

> *Chris1011 wrote:*

>> *Masuyama also makes Baader Eudascopic eyepieces, and I believe the*

>> *Celestron*

>> *Super Plossls. Roland Christen*

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> *Roland,*

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> *Is the company still called Masuyama, or is there an optical designer*

> *named Masuyama, or both? Do you know if there is a link to the Tak LE*

> *series here as well?*

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> *Lawrence Sayre*

We have an eyepiece at Mt. Wilson labeled "Masuyama" in a way that I've always taken to be the brand, not the design. In fact, I believe the design is a Kellner (labeled as such, IIRC). This is not a "normal" eyepiece, though — its focal length is 100mm and it's in a 4-inch barrel. We use it for visual observing at the f/16 Cassegrain focus of the 60" telescope. I can examine the eyepiece in more detail, if you like, when I'm back on the mountain in a few days.

I think I know where the eyepiece came from (perhaps 10 to 15 years ago) but I'd have to check some sources to be certain.

Mike Simmons