

Re: Best digicam for astropix

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Pierre wrote:

Hi Guys,

I am ditching my 3.1Mp Kodak digicam. The longest night exposure it can take is 4 seconds.
I am looking at 5-6Mp digicams capable of longer exposures. I am looking at doing afocal imaging but you can also tell me of your experience with digital SLRs. D-SLRs are probably out of my budget. Is it better to go for an x3 or optical zoom?
Most grateful in advance.
Pierre MK-UK-

DSLRs are very nice to work with and they continue to drop in price.

Optical zoom is more expensive but better than a digital zoom.

If the lens won't come off, make sure it's sturdy enough to support the camera, and it has filter threads so it's easier to adapt to your telescope.

I have a D70 - and feel it does well in terms of providing bang for the buck. I prefer the Nikon lenses to the Canon ones. Besides the 18-70 "kit lens" I have a 28-70 f2.6 Angenieux AF lens and an 80-200 F2.8 af nikor.

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