

At the cutting edge

NGC 5907 in Draco, sometimes called the Splinter Galaxy or the Knife-Edge Galaxy, is one of the best edge-on galaxies in the entire night sky. Ronald Brecher shot this fine image under a near-moonless sky from his SkyShed in Guelph, Canada over 4–7 June 2021 and 26–27 April 2023. He used a Sky-Watcher Esprit 150 f/7 refractor and a QHY600M camera with an Optolong UV/IR filter for luminance data. A Takahashi FSQ-106EDX4 telescope and a QHY367C Pro one-shot-colour camera, with the Optolong filter, gathered colour data.



Southern splendour

Lying at the north-western corner of the Carina Nebula (NGC 3372), NGC 3324 is an emission nebula excited by an open star cluster at its centre. Simon Bakewell used remote equipment in Chile – a Planewave CDK24 telescope and an FLI Proline PL1 09000 camera with H α , S-II and O-III narrowband filters – to capture 16 hours' worth of data.

