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C8 (Under construction)





The Celestron 8 (C8) is our smallest telescope not accounting for binoculars or finderscopes. Because of its compact construction it can be set up by a single person.

Setup

In the following the setup of this telescope will be explained step by step.

	Description	Used parts	Telescope after the corresponding step
1	One needs carefully choose the place where the telescope should be placed. For example, the relevant part of the sky needs to be visible (the dome covers part of the sky when the telescope is setup on the roof) and the cable connections for the power supply or the cameras should not become tripping hazards. The example setup was performed in the laboratory-course room directly after the door → directly in the way, hidden, and no sky → bad choice		



<p>2</p>	<p>The tripod is the backbone of the telescope.</p>		
<p>3</p>	<p>This disk is used to stabilize the legs of the tripod from the inside. The rod that punctures this disk will be screwed (with the side showing the thread) from below into the basis of the tripod. This needs to be done until the thread is completely visible on the other side. The rod should now be vertically slidable.</p>		

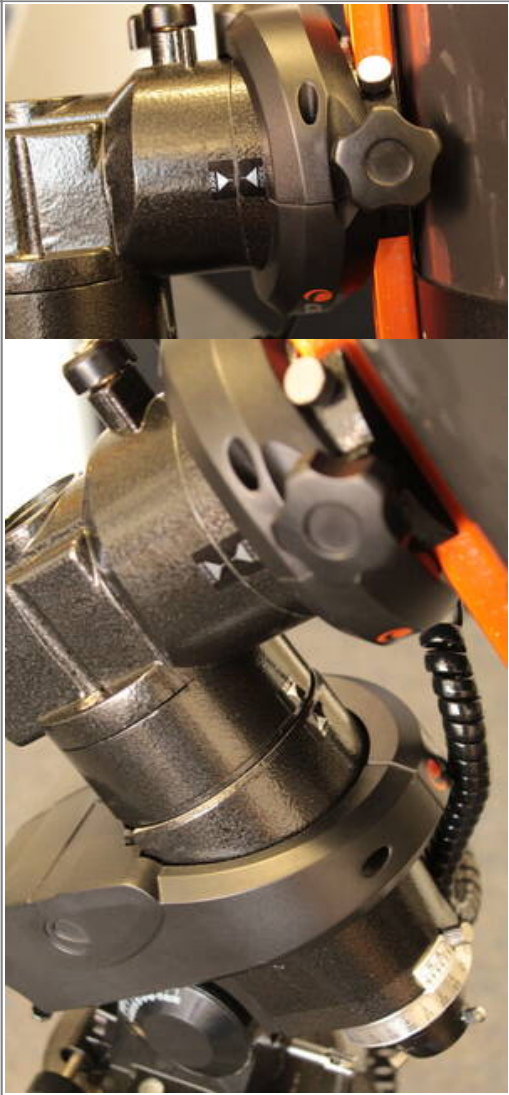


<p>4</p> <p>Now the mount can be put on the tripod basis. One has to take care that little chromed pin from the basis of the tripod needs to be placed in the corresponding bracket of the mount.</p>		
<p>5</p> <p>In the next step the counterweight bar and the counterweights needs to be attached to the back-end of the mount. First the counterweight bar needs to be screwed into the back-end of the declination axis. Afterwards the screw at the end of the counterweight bar can be removed and the counterweight can be placed and fixed on the counterweight bar. Subsequently, the screw can be reattached to the end of the counterweight bar.</p>		


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In the next step the tube needs to be attached to the mount. The tube is equipped with a so-called dove tail that allows a quick and easy attachment of the tube to the mount.



<p>6.5 Achsen auswuchten</p>		
<p>7 Teleskopsteuerung anschliessen, Stromversorgung herstellen</p>		

<p>9 Achsen ausrichten</p>	 Two close-up photographs of the telescope's mount. The top image shows a hand adjusting a silver-colored knob on the side of the mount. The bottom image shows a similar knob being adjusted from a different angle. The telescope's body is partially visible in the background.	 A photograph of the telescope mounted on a silver tripod. The telescope is tilted upwards and to the left. The background shows a room with a doorway and a poster on the wall.
<p>10 Abdeckung entfernen</p>		 A photograph of the telescope on the tripod, identical to the one in the previous row. The telescope is tilted upwards and to the left.

11	Gegebenfalls Sonnefilter anbringen	 A circular solar filter is shown being placed into its protective case. The filter is a dark, circular disc with a white border, and the case is a black box with a clear window. The filter is being held by a hand, and the case is open.	 A Celestron Advanced GT telescope is shown on a tripod. The telescope is mounted on a silver and black tripod. The telescope tube is black and has a large, circular solar filter attached to the front. The filter is a dark, circular disc with a white border. The telescope is pointed towards the sky.
12	Alignment ausfuehren, Genau wie am C11, hier beschrieben		 A Celestron Advanced GT telescope is shown on a tripod. The telescope is mounted on a silver and black tripod. The telescope tube is black and has a large, circular solar filter attached to the front. The filter is a dark, circular disc with a white border. The telescope is pointed towards the sky.

			
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