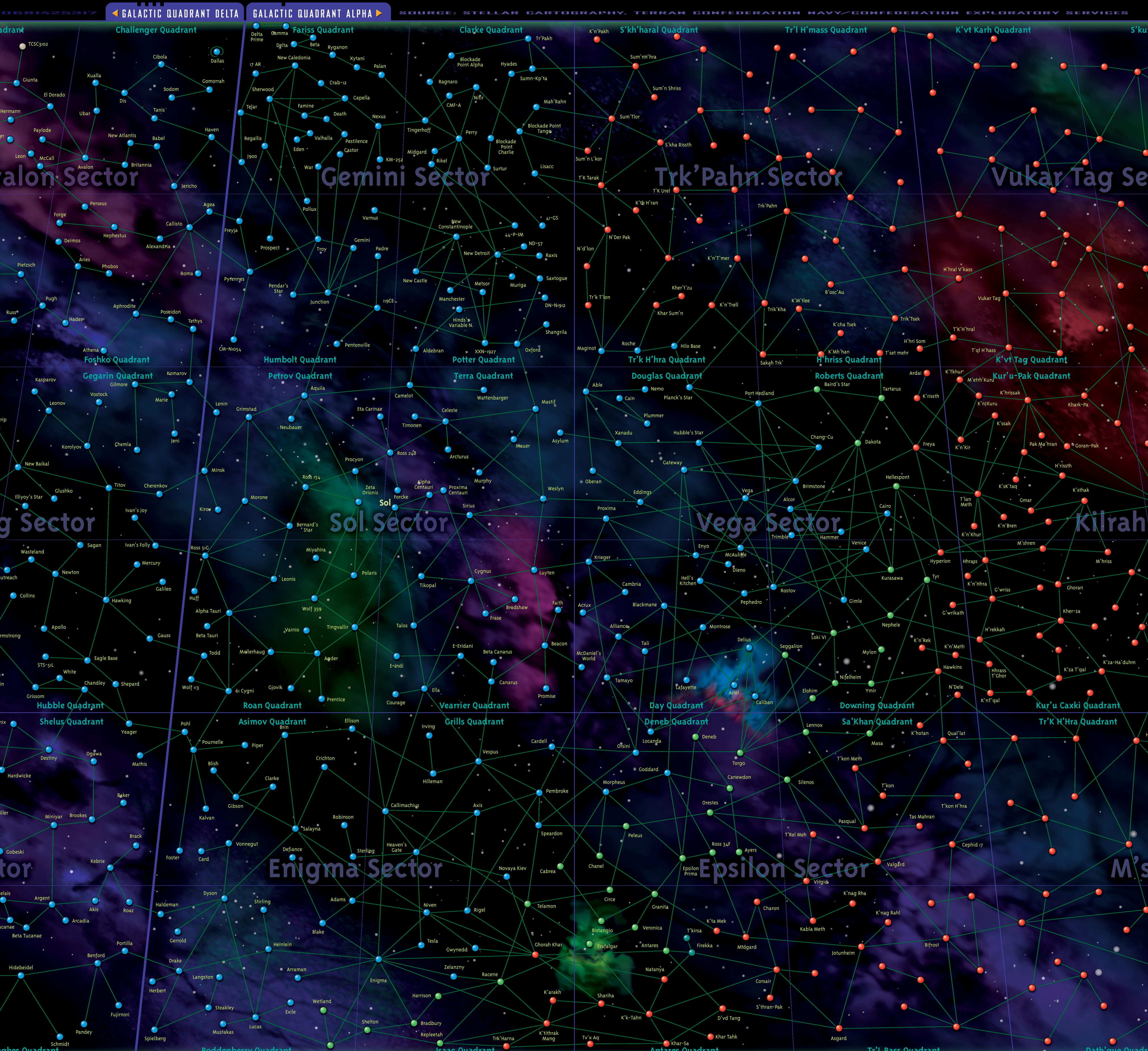


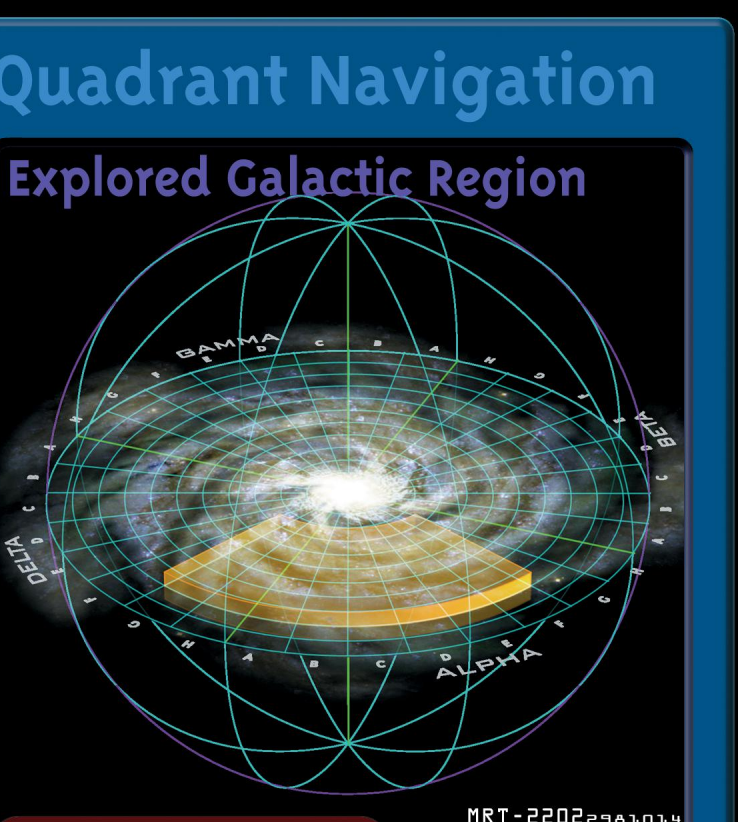
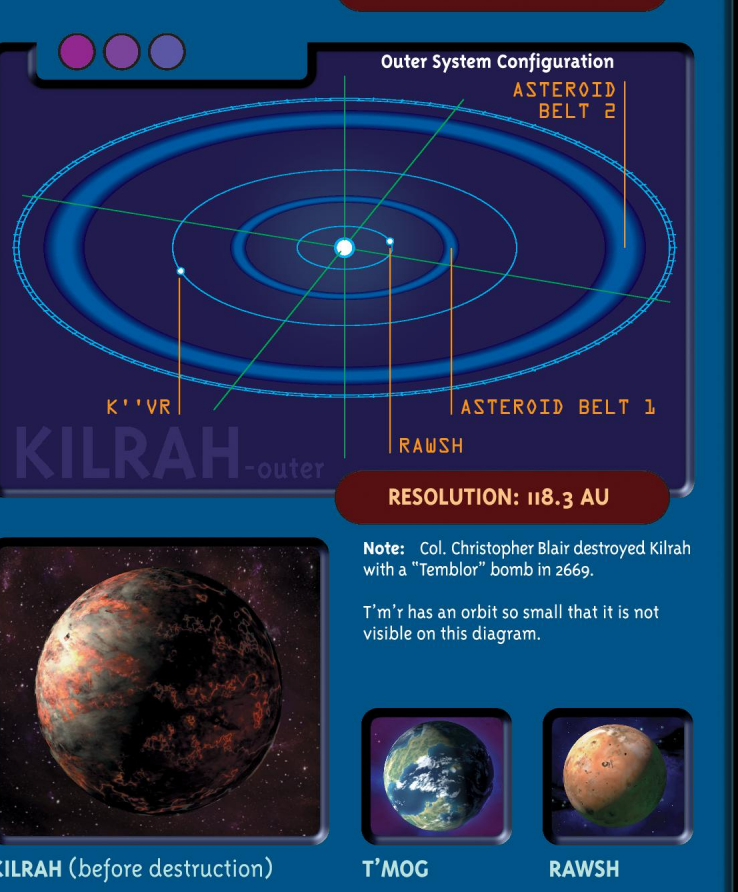
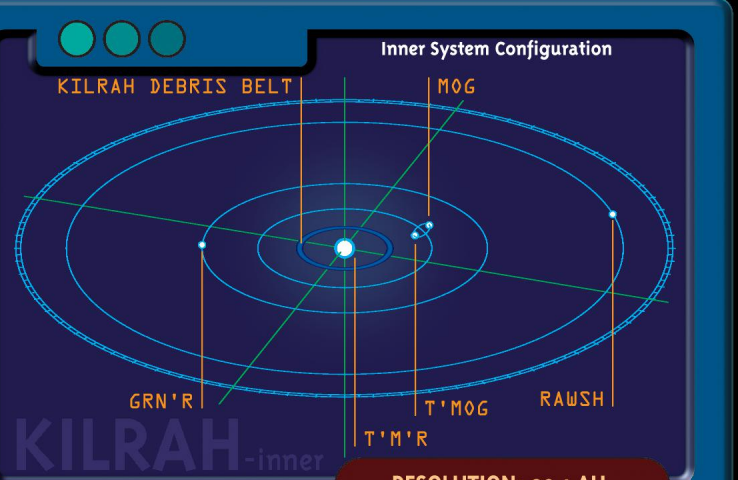
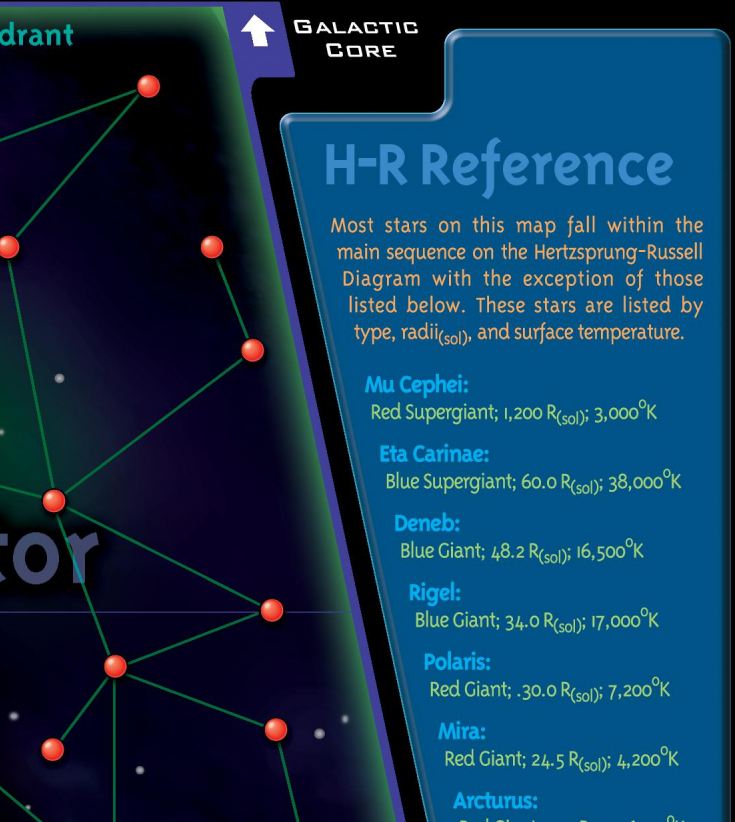
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**Akwende Projection**

Named after Dr. Shari Akwende, the discoverer of the Akwende (or "Jump") Drive. The Akwende Projection depicts stars based on hierarchical jump point routes, naturally occurring hyperdimensional passages linking neighboring star systems. Jump points allow instantaneous travel for spacecraft with antigravitation engines between linked star systems. This map does not portray the absolute positions of individual systems, as exact galactic positioning is irrelevant when considering current methods of interstellar travel. Rather, it is set up as a base navigational aid in plotting jump routes. Star systems on this map are organized according to Galactic-sector and sector-quadrant to which each system belongs and its position relative to other systems in the region.



**Jump Point Terminology**

**Jump Point:** A natural phenomenon (formerly known as an "Antigravitation Tropic Anomaly") where a property-equipped ship can transit from one point in space to another, without crossing the intervening distance.

**Jump Drive:** A device (officially known as the Akwende Drive, after its discoverer) for the emission of concentrated antigravitation particles, which allows a ship to move through jump points.

**Jump Buoy:** An automated transmitter and tracking device used to mark known jump points.

