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What is an Astrolabe?

An astrolabe is a tool for measuring and calculating in widespread use from the 6th century. The astrolabe was popular throughout the Middle Ages for a variety of uses based on the measurements of planets and stars: calculating time, measuring distance and height, and later on, it was also used for navigation. The astrolabe was a great feat of the incredible scientific and astrological knowledge of the medieval Islamic world. It was only later imported to the Byzantine Empire and, through Al'Andalus (Islamic Spain) to medieval Western Europe.

