

# Katsuko's Nebula

The Katsuko's Nebula is to the galactic east of the [Bard Cluster](#) and to the galactic west of the [Motoyoshi Colonial Sector](#). The [Akuro Nebula](#) is direct to the galactic east, the corridor between the two nebulas forms a very active shipping lane for the [Yamatai Star Empire](#).



The nebula is named after [Ketsurui-Motoyoshi Katsuko](#).

To the East (rimward) of Katsuko's Nebula is [Star System E-4](#) and to the West is the [Bard Cluster](#).

## History

The Katsuko's Nebula was first explored and discovered by the [Fifth Expeditionary Fleet](#) in [YE 28](#). At the time it formed the eastern rim of the [Yamatai Star Empire](#). The nebula was named after [Ketsurui-Motoyoshi Katsuko](#), who at the time was the [Taisho](#) of the [Fifth Expeditionary Fleet](#). The colonies of the [Bard Cluster](#) had proposed gas collection equipment deployed in the nebula.<sup>1)</sup> Some of the units were eventually deployed but due to the destruction of [Taie](#) the system, in [YE 29](#) they were never fully activated or utilized.

The [YSS Asamoya](#) passed through the nebula in [YE 29](#) to avoid detection by the [Sfrarabla Mishhuvurthyar Xhrafuklurp \(SMX\)](#).<sup>2)</sup> The [Fifth Expeditionary Fleet](#) had skirmish groups in and around the nebula during the [First Mishhuvurthyar War](#).

The [YSS Takumi](#), the prototype of the [Takumi-Class Expeditionary Command Cruiser](#) was performing trials in the Katsuko's Nebula when [Taie no Iori](#) was destroyed.<sup>3)</sup>

In early [YE 30](#), the [Fifth Expeditionary Fleet](#) had a staging area setup with both [Hotaru Star Fortress](#) and [Himitsu Star Fortress](#) inside of the nebula. The [YSS Yugumo](#) made its maiden voyage from this staging area.<sup>4)</sup>

The [YSS Junpu](#) used the Katsuko's Nebula to hide their position from a [NMX](#) they were scanning in [YE](#)

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Task Force 0 performed exercises near the Katsuko's nebula at the end of YE 39.<sup>7)</sup>

## Description

The Katsuko's Nebula is a massive cloud of interstellar gases and dust.



The nebula is a 🌌 [planetary nebula](#) formed from the late-life expulsions of Hoshi-874, a red giant. Although less violent than the [Ayumi Nebula](#), the nebula is still a navigational and an operational nightmare for ships, there are intense gravitational eddies and unstable patches. It is further complicated by pockets of concentrated hydrogen and other gases. It often baffles sensor systems, which have been used to the advantage of ships like the [YSS Junpu](#) to hide from enemy forces.

## Transportation

The only way to travel to the Katsuko's Nebula is by starship or other craft.

## People

There are no permanent residents inside of the nebula.

## Characters

The [Characters](#) that are located here:<sup>8)</sup>

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## RP Opportunities

Roleplay Opportunities here.

- Build or find a secret space station.
- Find a lost ship, or have your ship get lost in the nebula.
- Play hide and seek with some pirates.

## Local Rumors

Rumors for the Katsuko's Nebula.

- [Ketsurui-Motoyoshi Katsuko](#) has hidden relics from [Taiie](#) in the nebula.
- [Angelica](#) used the nebula as a staging area, and there is an abandoned [NMX](#) space station hidden inside.

## OOC Notes

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- Artbreeder nebula is by [Charaa](#).

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<sup>1)</sup>

<https://stararmy.com/roleplay-forum/threads/mission-006-02-requiems-lullaby-akuro-group.12935/#post-186160>

<sup>2)</sup>

<https://stararmy.com/roleplay-forum/threads/prologue.35/>

<sup>3)</sup>

Takumi-Class Expeditionary Command Cruiser

<sup>4)</sup>

<https://stararmy.com/roleplay-forum/threads/prelude-point-of-origin.14176/page-2#post-207763>

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<sup>6)</sup>

<https://stararmy.com/roleplay-forum/threads/ch-1-5-the-path-weve-chosen.47793/#post-325352>

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