

# S3\_E16\_SagittaPopCulture

## Intro

Jordan: Hi, I'm Jordan.

Kit: And I'm Kit.

Jordan: Welcome to Starry Time, where stars plus lines

Kit: equal stories.

Jordan: In this week's episode, we'll be getting silly and exploring the pop culture of the constellation Sagitta, the Arrow.

Kit: In this episode, we'll share our favorite and least favorite occurrences of the month's constellation in pop culture.

Jordan: And our definition of pop culture is very broadly defined.

Kit: Yep. And then we'll end by taking over the brand to wish upon a star for what we wish existed using the Sagitta brand.

## Favorites

All right, uh, Jordan, do you want to start us off with your favorite this week? Where did you go with this one,

Jordan: Kit, this one was challenging because even though we give ourselves the broadest possible scope of all possible culture, finding something with the Sagitta brand was a bit challenging. It was a very narrow, narrow sliver. But the thing that spoke to me the most, it's, uh, a one of one

Kit: Okay

Jordan: and it is the Sagitta. I don't know if you saw this.

Kit: Uh-uh

Jordan: This is a charming and elegant 16 guest sailing excursion through the Galapagos Islands. I'll send it to you now so you can take a little look here. It's, quote, one of the more charming and attractive boats sailing the waters around the Galapagos. I like that. They're humble. They're not saying they're the most charming and attractive boat, but they're one of them. If I was to ever see the Galapagos, which is something, of course I would love to do, you know, be able to do it on sailboat, for me, that was as good as it got with the Sagitta brand. And the great news is it's only around \$28,000, so you can explore and cruise style and luxury, and it is private.

Kit: Wow, I did not see that at all. Uh, you really went deep into the Internet to find this. But yeah, I mean, it looks beautiful. Um, and I agree with you, I like the branding. I like that it's one of the more charming and attractive boats, but not the most charming or attractive because And then I might not believe them. Great stuff here. Really good.

Again, I agree with you. There wasn't a ton to choose from we're getting into, you know, just like sometimes when the picking is slim, I have to go to the StarGate This time I didn't need to go to the Stargate, but, um, I did need to get into scientific names. And so what I chose, and there's quite a lot of things that actually have Sagitta as part of their scientific name. And what I decided to pick was a creature called Dipus sagitta, also known as the northern three toed jerboa. And it's just so cute. I'm gonna send you a picture. I'll post this over on the socials. Uh, here you go.

Jordan: There were quite a few animals with the Sagitta name somewhere in them. And this was by far the cutest one.

Kit: Like the cutest by a lot.

Jordan: But yeah, they're adorable. Little desert mice, they hop around. There's some people call them kangaroo rats. Um, they got super long tails. Um, I'm guessing that's what gives them the arrow name.

Kit: Yeah, your guess is as good as mine. I just got to. This is cute and I love it. Um, yeah, so I was like, this is easy, it's adorable. I. Sometimes the right answer is pick the adorable thing. Did you have any other favorites that you wanted to call out before we get to least favorites?

Jordan: Yeah, the, uh, favorite of mine was just finding out what the sag button on my graphing calculator was for after all these years. So, of course there's a formula called the Sagitta that the sagitta, or displacement, is used to calculate something to do with the radius and an arc or. You know, I just. I like that. I. I know what it is. Okay. I don't. I know what I do. I know what it is. I'm not sure.

## Least Favorites

Kit: I don't know what it is. And this was definitely one of my least favorite things because I just, geometry wasn't for me, you know, I feel like, especially now with, you know, the thing I do in my day job, I was like, I do a lot of math, but I do more like algebra calculus, you know, stuff like that. And you know what? I never do any geometry. Well, that's not, that's not strictly true. But I. Geometry maybe my least favorite branch of mathematics. And. Ah, there I said it. Controversial. I don't know, but I said it. I said it.

Jordan: I said it. You did. And on. On record. Uh, so was this your choice

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Jordan: for least favorite appearance of Sagitta in pop culture?

Kit: This was my top least favorite. And I have a couple of other ones as well.

Jordan: But my number one least favorite was another appearance of Sagitta in the animal kingdom. The one, the only, the arrow worm. Did you see this creature?

Kit: Yes. And all I wrote when I saw the picture of it was, and I quote, I don't like to look at this.

Jordan: I did some research on this branch of predatory sea worms called the chaetognatha take a look at them. You know, Sagitta being the genus, they have these prongs on the end of their mouth. They can have anywhere between four and, and 14

of them. And they work kind of like a Venus fly trap or something where they just snap and attack other ocean wildlife. And there's 15 different species of these arrow worms of this Sagitta, uh, genus, and that's too many. This was my least favorite and the only thing that I took away that I was happy about was that it is, um, much smaller than me and that they're hunting plankton with their grasping spines. And I am glad that they are not hunting me.

Kit: Yeah, didn't like to look at it. 15, um, agree far too many. Um, it's one of those kinds of things where you see the picture on, you know, Wikipedia or wherever, and you're like, it looks like, you know, a microscopic picture, right? Like something that's really small. But like, sometimes when you zoom into things really small, it's just, it's not better, you know, it's. I would prefer not to know. You know, I don't want to know what the mites in my eyebrows look like and I don't want to know what the Sagitta arrow worm is looking like.

Jordan: But that was my top, least favorite. But I had a few others that I found a little alarming as well. Let's hear about your backups for, for least favorite of the Sagitta brand.

Kit: Yeah, so I had the arrow worm on there, the geometry Sagitta. The last thing that I found. I don't know if it's strictly a least favorite, but it's a website called Sagitta AI and the branding I like. I open the website and there's stars and there's like shooting stars going by. And the tagline reads, see your ideas become constellations. What does that mean?

Jordan: I can tell by their website. It means exploration, blueprinting, production, ready prototype, sustained evolution, and keep the lights on. Yeah, it seems like a lot of

corporate gobbledygook. No speech. My second least, least favorite of the Sagitta brand is the one, the only, the early main crop potato variety for the general purpose market, the Sagitta potato, which I discovered on the website potato.pro.com. such a great website.

Kit: Well, I mean, I do wish there was a potato constellation.

Jordan: Yeah, it would be wonderful. And I would love one like long and arrow, like, you know, like a French fry.

Kit: Great point. Edge on French fry. I can't believe anybody would put a potato not at the top of every list.

Jordan: It was tough. It was. I had to compare to other potatoes. You know, I had to judge it.

Kit: Great point. Great point.

Jordan: Definitely scraping the bottom of the barrel for references here. We went as deep as we could into this brand.

Kit: Yeah. And so if you have other favorites or least favorites or you feel really strongly about the Sagitta potato, be sure to let us know over on our socials at starrytimepod on Mastodon, on the Universeodon server. And I'll put a link to our socials in the show notes for you.

Jordan: And if you got a spare \$28,000 and want to go to Galapagos and take a couple

sisters, um, send us an email.

Kit: Yeah, let us know.

## **Wish Upon a Star**

Jordan: Now it's time for us to wish upon a star for what we wish used a Sagitta brand. Do you mind if I start?

Kit: You know, go for it.

Jordan: Kit, I had a couple options. The first one, I'll just say is a classic that I say a lot, but is particularly fitting for this month's Constellation. There was a corporation that existed from the years 1945

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Jordan: to 2002. Arrow Development. Arrow, like Sagitta. What did Arrow Development design, you ask? Was it amusement park rides and roller coaster designs? Was it some of the more famous early roller coasters that you may have heard of, such as the Matterhorn? But unfortunately, this brand did go under in 2002. So my wish upon a star is the comeback of the golden age of Arrow Development. Arrow 2. Sagitta Development. So that was my top favorite for what I wished existed. My second favorite is something that I just called the Sagittarium.

Kit: Oh, well, I kind of want to steal this name Sagittarium for my wished for. Because

what I came up with was Sagitta Archery Club and Bar, which would be like, you know, those ax throwing bars, but bows and arrows, that. Well, I kind of like, what if it could be called Sagittarium would be a better name, a little less lengthy. And, uh, yeah, I feel like axes are really dangerous and sharp and I know that bows and arrows can be dangerous, but I feel like, you know, you can be pretty drunk and throw an axe, and I feel like you can't be quite as drunk and shoot a bow and arrow.

Jordan: Precisely. I think this is an excellent idea. Hadn't even occurred to me. And you know what, Kit? It's only a matter of time before one of our wishes comes true.

## **Outro**

Kit: This has been Kit

Jordan: and Jordan,

Kit: sisters, who love stars and stories.

Jordan: And we'll see you next week

Kit: on Starry Time.

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