CHAPTER ONE

CELESTIAL HEIGHTS

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I Voyage of the Infinite

he vast gulfs of space thrived in the Ensar universe for eons. Copia Deiga, a galaxy teeming with magical ions, swirled in splendor. Asteroids along the outskirts of the spiral phenomenon drifted aimlessly. In the vicinity of a nebula, shaped like fiery wings, a black hole materialized. Its gravitation sucked in cosmic dust, the giant space chasm flickering with lightning. While the electricity waned, a dreadnought starship emerged. Fleeting bolts scrambled throughout its tetrigonium hull, an obsidian-tinted metal that gleamed with arcane energy currents.

Entering this star system, the spacecraft accelerated. The black hole sealed, dust no longer being pulled. A burst of blinding light appeared opposite the ship, millions of miles away. A molecular cloud had just collapsed, igniting the birth of a new sun. As this took place, the vessel activated its polarized mana shield, allowing passengers to examine creation's majesty: The cloud's fragment contracted and extreme heat surged around the stellar remnants, condensing into a gassy sphere as flares enveloped it.