The standard search is a keyword search. This article explains how to refine your search.
The standard search is a keyword search – it returns hits containing your search term(s) anywhere in the record.

Enter the word or words you would like to search for in the **Search for:** box, then click the **Search** button.

NRE/VDX will put an implied ‘AND’ between multiple search terms, so the example above will return hits containing the words “black” AND “holes.”

If you are searching for more than one word and want them searched as a phrase rather than individual words, enclose the phrase in quotation marks, for example, “black holes” will search for the phrase “black holes” rather than searching for the individual words – “black” and “holes.”

The **Reset** link clears the search terms entered.

The list of Searchable Collections (catalogues) being searched appears on screen. You can click the **Collections** link to toggle the view of the list on or off.
You can click on the name of each collection displayed to see more information about the collection.

Here the Concordia collection has been selected. A pop-up window is presented describing the collection.

**Collection Detail**

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To de-select a collection from your search, uncheck the check box preceding the collection name. The search will only include selected collections.
Select all and Deselect all options are also provided which will check/uncheck all the searchable collections.

Select all  Deselect all

Click the **Search** button to execute the search.

**Standard Search**

Type the word or words you want to search. You can search for a complete phrase by typing it in quotation marks ("gone with the wind"). For more searching options, go to the Advanced Search page.

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You will be presented with the search results. The Results page is discussed in detail in Search Results.
You searched for **Any Equal Phrase "black holes"** in Melvyl, TUG, Concordia Univ, Bishops Univ, TRAC, INFe

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### 1. Black holes / Heather Couper and Nigel Henbest : illustrated by Luciano Corbella
  Toronto : Stoddart, 1996.
  Number of holdings: 6 | ISBN - 0773729283
  Collection: TRAC

### 2. Black holes : the edge of space, the end of time.
  Number of holdings: 3 | ISBN - 0385075162
  Collection: TRAC

### 3. Black holes and other space phenomena / Philip Steele.
  Number of holdings: 22 | ISBN - 1856975738 059063254X | LCCN - 95006106
  Collection: TRAC

After you have performed a search, you will see more links in the menu bar at the top of the screen.

Standard  Advanced  Profiles  Results  Merge Duplicates  Filter Options  Sort Results  Status  History  Saved List  Searches  Create Request

Each of these links will be discussed in detail later in this section.