# Search Help

Search has built-in pattern matching for making string comparisons. The following table shows the wildcard characters you can use and the number of digits or strings they match.

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| WILDCARD CHARACTERS USED IN STRING COMPARISONS | |
| Character(s) in *pattern* | **Matches in *expression*** |
| ? | Any single character |
| \* | Zero or more characters |
| # | Any single digit (09) |
| [ *charlist* ] | Any single character in *charlist* |
| [! *charlist* ] | Any single character not in *charlist* |