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*Cover photograph:* Based on a photograph by the author, it shows the southwest part of the constellation Sagittarius together with the brightest Milky Way clouds. North is to the upper left. The red nebula near the left edge is the Lagoon Nebula M8. Many other objects can be identified with the help of chart E20.

*Frontispiece:* The sword of Orion, containing the Orion Nebula. Looking at it with a large telescope on a dark night gives one of the grandest views in the universe. The faint reflection nebula NGC 1973 lies half way up to the top of the photograph where the stellar group NGC 1981 can be seen.

With 50 star charts, 245 black and white photographs, and 6 line drawings.

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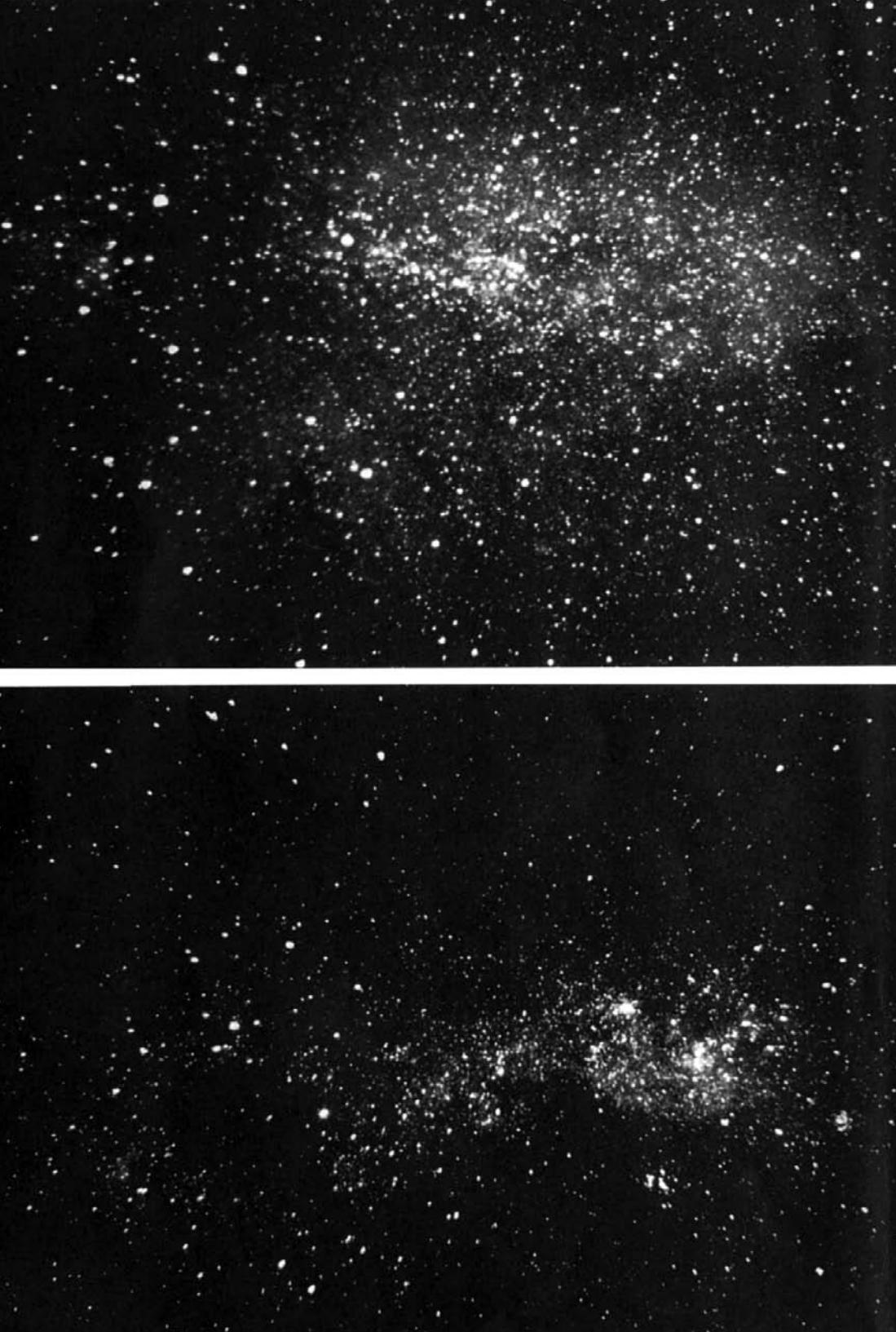
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# Explanatory Notes

## Introduction

Can you remember being impressed by a clear starry sky? Look at the Milky Way through binoculars and it will reveal its many hundreds of thousands of stars, double stars, stellar clusters, and nebulae. If you are a new observer, it is not that easy to find your way in this swarm of stars, but this atlas tries to make it as easy as possible. So now it is not just experienced amateurs that can enjoy looking at the heavens.

Two additional observing aids are recommended. The first is a planisphere, where one can dial in the time and day in order to see which constellations are visible and where they are in the sky. The second is an astronomical yearbook listing the current positions of the planets and all important phenomena.

So, let us begin our journey around the night sky, and see what the universe can reveal to us!

## Sky Atlases

Most sky atlases can be classified into one of two major groups according to the number of stars they contain. Some atlases only show the stars visible to the naked eye. As there are not more than a few thousand such stars, such charts can be simple and clear and can be arranged in a handy format. They are ideal for all naked-eye

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*Facing page, top:* The constellation Cygnus (Swan) in the midst of the northern Milky Way. The photograph gives an impression of the uncountable stars in our Milky Way. This becomes more conspicuous when you sweep through Cygnus with binoculars. Under a very dark sky, one can try to find the North America Nebula, Pelican Nebula, and Veil Nebula (see p. 45). These are difficult nebulae and are only barely visible on this photograph as well. For orientation: Deneb is the bright star on the left side; Albireo is near the right edge, nearly as high as Deneb

*Facing page, bottom:* The region around the constellation Crux (Southern Cross) in the southern Milky Way. Aside from the Magellanic Clouds, this part is a special attraction of the southern sky. Directly to the lower left of the cross is a dark nebula, the Coalsack. It displays beautiful detail in binoculars. In the right part of the photograph is the bright Eta Carinae Nebula, surrounded by bright clusters. The star Eta Carinae illuminates the nebula and is currently not visible to the naked eye, although it was the second brightest star in the sky during two decades of the nineteenth century. It is a candidate for the next supernova explosion in our part of the Milky Way. The enormous flash of the explosion might already be on its 8000-year journey to us

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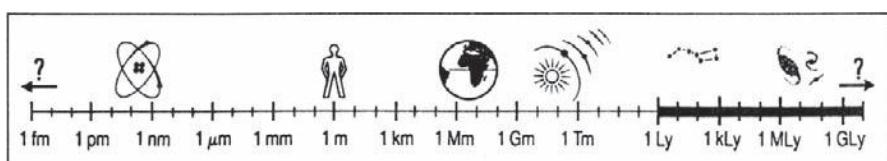
observations. The other group of atlases contains the stars visible through binoculars or telescopes. As there are a million stars within the reach of binoculars, such atlases need hundreds of charts, often arranged in several volumes. They are ideal for observations with binoculars and telescopes.

This atlas steers a middle course. It contains the whole sky visible to the unaided eye (limiting magnitude 6), and finder charts for 250 interesting objects for binoculars and small telescopes (limiting magnitude 9). Since these finder charts only cover approximately ten percent of the whole sky, it was possible to put all this information into a very convenient format.

Some atlases contain as many codes and labels as possible for each object. They are quite useful for work at home at the desk. The other extreme is represented by photographic atlases containing no labels at all. They are recommended when it comes to comparison with the real sky. This atlas again lies between the two extremes. The star charts are clear and contain just one label for important objects, since all the other data can always be found on the page facing the chart. This new edition also contains photographs of all the selected interesting objects (pp. 119–149).

## Catalogs

As well as a naked-eye atlas and a binocular atlas, observers also use a catalog to look up important data such as double-star separations or the magnitudes of nebulae. This atlas combines these three functions. To work with different books can be troublesome because, between them, object selection and labeling may be quite different. In this atlas all objects labeled in the charts are listed in the tables on



*Figure 1:* Between the size of an atomic nucleus and the furthest known objects in the universe, we have explored 41 orders of magnitude. This atlas contains objects further than one light-year: that means the last ten orders of magnitude. Nobody can really imagine these distances. But if we shift these ten orders of magnitude to the left, to the sizes we feel comfortable with, then we can get at least a feel for the world of stars and galaxies.

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*Table 1:* The mean relative uncertainty of stellar distances. It has significantly improved due to the publication of the Hipparcos Catalogue in 1997. All data of this book consider this progress.

distance (light years)	10	20	40	80	150	300	600	1 200	2 500	5 000
uncertainty until 1997 (%)	3	6	12	25	35	45	50	50	50	50
uncertainty since 1997 (%)	0.25	0.5	1	2	4	8	15	25	40	50

the facing page, naturally with the same designation, and all objects in the tables are labeled in the facing star charts. This makes observing as easy as possible.

Until 1997, many data on binaries (double stars) such as magnitude, color, and separation were based on more or less reliable estimates from observers. The Hipparcos satellite revealed previous errors and often provides data more accurate than sufficient for an observer. The new knowledge is included in this book. Other sources are: *Sky Catalogue 2000.0*, the *Yale Bright Star Catalogue*, the *Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory (SAO) Star Catalog*, *Ovschni Katalog Peremenich Zvjezd*, *Synopsis der Nomenklatur der Fixsterne*, *Délimitation Scientifique des Constellations*, *Burnham's Celestial Handbook*, and the *Webb Society Deep-Sky Observer's Handbook*.

## Object Selection

This atlas contains 250 nonstellar objects listed under the general term “nebula”: planetary nebulae, diffuse nebulae, open or galactic star clusters, globular star clusters, and galaxies. In addition to all 110 Messier objects, 140 additional nebulae that have magnitudes like those of many Messier objects have been selected. Among similar nebulae, those further north were slightly favored in the selection. All these nebulae can be observed with an amateur’s telescope. Following each table of nebulae is a short description of each object for binoculars or a telescope under good sky conditions. Here the term “amateur’s telescope” is considered to be a telescope with an aperture lying in the range 100–200 mm (4–8 in.). Today, many amateurs own still larger telescopes. This atlas is also useful for them, but it only satisfies part of their telescopes’ capabilities.

These 250 nebulae constitute the core of this atlas, since they are featured five times: First, they are marked in the the star charts of the whole sky. Second, they all have magnified finder charts. Third, their data is listed in the catalog of nebulae. Fourth, they all have descriptions, and fifth, their photographs are shown.

The catalog of stars contains 900 naked-eye stars. It is complete up to magnitude 4.0. There are 556 stars up to this magnitude. Most of the fainter listed stars are doubles or variables.

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Many thousands of double and multiple stars are observable with amateurs' telescopes. 250 interesting ones are listed in the table of binaries. Their components are at least magnitude 8.0, their combined light brighter than 6.0. Apart from a few very close binaries, all these can be separated in an amateur's telescope.

The tables also list data for 81 variable stars visible to the naked eye. Variable stars with a variation of at least a quarter of a magnitude were considered. All those which get brighter than fifth magnitude (and a few fainter ones) are included.

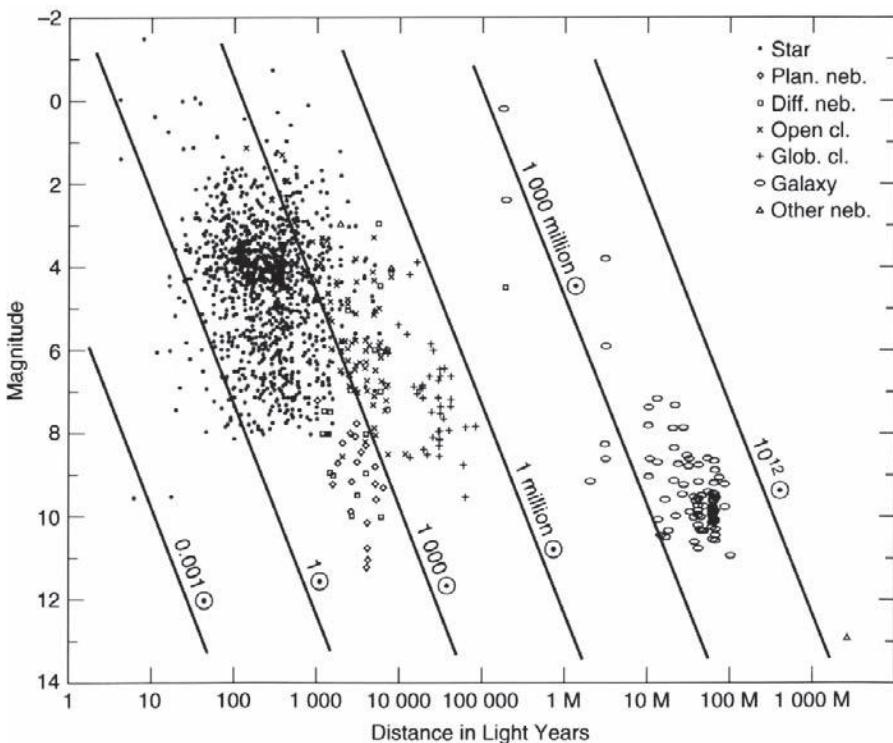
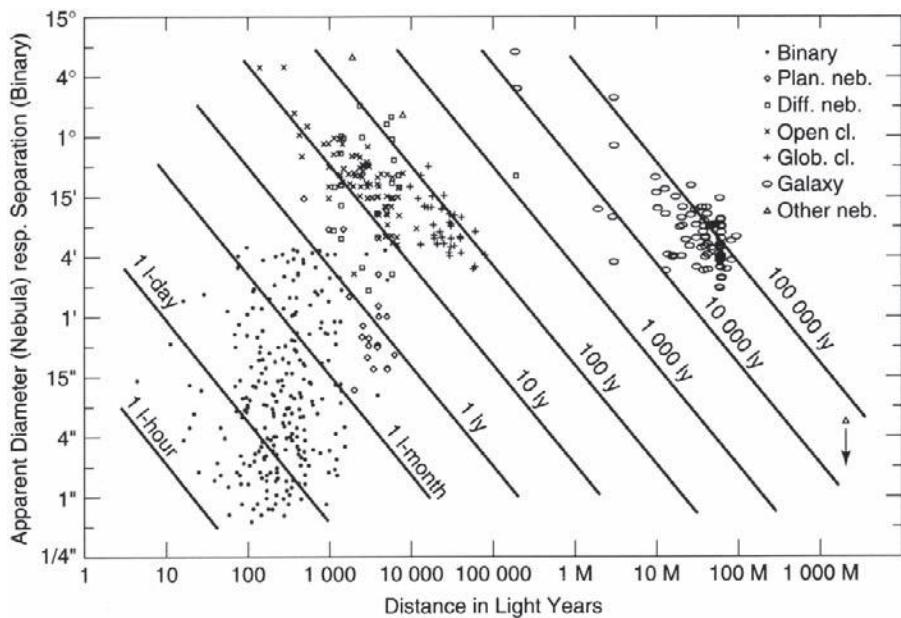


Figure 2: Apparent magnitude and distance of all 1427 objects cataloged in this atlas; binary components are indicated individually. The steep lines show the luminosity relative to the solar luminosity (if interstellar absorption is neglected).



*Figure 3:* True size (inclined lines) as a function of apparent size and distance. The true size refers to the extent perpendicular to the line of sight. The radial extent is unknown for most objects. One light-hour is approximately 1000 million kilometers or seven astronomical units (AU).

## Celestial Coordinates

In astronomy, many different coordinate systems are commonly used. To enjoy the night sky it is not necessary to tangle with the mathematics of coordinates. However, it is quite useful to become familiar with the most important coordinate system, the celestial equatorial system. One can imagine the equatorial system as a projection of the earth's longitude and latitude circles from the center of the earth onto the celestial sphere. Right ascension corresponds to geographical longitude; declination corresponds to geographical latitude. In the same way that Greenwich marks the zero meridian on earth, the first point of Aries serves as the zero point for the right ascension: it is the location of the sun on March 20/21. From there, right ascension is measured towards the east from  $0^\circ$  to  $360^\circ$ , or, more often, from  $0^h$  to  $24^h$  (hours) with  $1^h = 15^\circ$ . Declination increases as geographical latitude from  $0^\circ$  at the equator to  $90^\circ$  at the poles. Northern declinations are positive, southern ones negative. The position of a star is uniquely determined by its right ascension and declination.

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## Precession

Since the first point of Aries slowly moves across the constellations, the coordinates of the stars are constantly changing. The coordinates in this atlas refer to the standard reference frame of J2000.0. By 2015, the coordinates will have changes by  $0.2^\circ$  or less so that the given coordinates can be used for most practical purposes without applying any correction.

## Sidereal Time

The starry sky and the celestial coordinate system complete one revolution every day. Stars at the same declination describe the same orbit on the celestial sphere. After one sidereal day of  $23^{\text{h}}56^{\text{m}}$ , every star is back at its original position. The sidereal time indicates the rotation since the first point of Aries passed the meridian. The meridian stretches from south to north, passing through the zenith. All stars reach their highest point on the meridian. At  $0^{\text{h}}00^{\text{m}}$  sidereal time the first point of Aries is on the meridian. At  $1^{\text{h}}$  sidereal time stars with the right ascension  $1^{\text{h}}$  are passing across the meridian, and so on. Knowing the current sidereal time defines the region of the sky which is visible best. Many planispheres have a dial to read off the approximate sidereal time.

## Arrangement of Star Charts

In this atlas the whole sky is divided into 48 regions which are grouped into three sections: N = northern sky, E = equator and ecliptic, S = southern sky. The northern sky here means the area north of about  $30^\circ$  declination. From mid-northern latitudes, for example, it is clearly visible every night. The very first chart (NP = north polar region) contains stellar magnitudes to mag. 13 for estimating the limiting magnitude to the unaided eye, binoculars, and telescopes. The section for the equator and ecliptic contains declination zones where the sun, moon, and planets have their paths. Constellations in this region are only visible at certain times. Of course, they are best visible near the meridian. The sky south of  $-36^\circ$  declination is labeled here as the southern sky. It cannot be observed north of  $50^\circ$  latitude. But further south more and more of the southern sky becomes visible. Northern-hemisphere observers should not miss the opportunity to observe the beauties of the southern sky when traveling south.

Within each of the three groups the charts are ordered in right ascension from 0 to 24. For example, the charts N12, E12, and S12 all display regions near  $12^{\text{h}}$  right ascension. The objects in the tables are also ordered in right ascension, which

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increases from right to left in the charts. Furthermore, the even-numbered charts E0, E2, ... mostly contain regions south of the equator, while E1, E3, ... display regions mostly north of the equator. To find a particular chart quickly, consult the key chart at the end of the book.

Within each chart, bright stars and nebulae are labeled in the highlighted section. Data for these objects are listed on the page facing the chart. Objects in the grey section are labeled on other charts. Neighboring chart numbers can be found at the white-grey boundary.

In the catalog, each entry of a constellation is followed by a rectangle which represents the facing star chart greatly reduced. The object's location in the chart is indicated by a dot for the main star charts and by a small circle for the round enlargements (finder charts). This way, the object's position on the chart is located more easily than with coordinates and coordinate grids.

## Directions in the Sky

On the earth we are very familiar with the direction of the four cardinal points. In the same way, directions are defined at each point in the sky. North is the direction to the celestial north pole near Polaris. West is the direction in which the sky is carried by the diurnal rotation of our planet. Therefore west is sometimes called preceding, and east is called following. When looking up at a constellation lying in the south, north is up, west is right, south is down, and east is left. We note that east and west on star charts are opposite to east and west on maps. However, in common with maps, all charts in this atlas have north at their top.

When comparing a chart with the sky it is important to know the directions in the sky in order to turn the charts until they match the sky. For comparison with rising constellations, the charts need to be turned somewhat counterclockwise, and clockwise for setting constellations. In an inverting telescope, directions are particularly important, even if they are not so clear. If you are not sure of them, just watch the motion of the stars through the eyepiece (clock drive off). They always move to the west. Further, notice that a standard diagonal gives a mirror image (if the total number of reflections is odd). You would need to look through a mirror at the charts in order to match the view in the eyepiece. Therefore the use of a standard diagonal is not recommended for deep-sky-object hunting. Diagonals with two reflections are only slightly more expensive than those with one reflection. They are the recommended choice for every work with star charts.

## Size and Scale

Distance and size in the sky are measured in degrees, arc minutes, and arc seconds ( $1^\circ = 60'$ ,  $1' = 60''$ ). In this atlas, declination is given in degrees, the size of nebulae

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in arc minutes, and the separation of double stars in arc seconds. There are no mixed entries like  $8^{\circ}48'$  or  $3'12''$ . This latter practice is continuing to disappear from astronomical tables.

When using star charts it is important to have an idea about the scale of the charts. The star charts in this atlas have a scale of  $4^{\circ}/\text{cm}$  ( $10^{\circ}/\text{in.}$ ), the round enlarged sections  $1^{\circ}/\text{cm}$  ( $2.5^{\circ}/\text{in.}$ ). Distances in the sky can be quite accurately estimated with your hand. If you hold it about 60 cm from your eye, 1 cm on your hand corresponds to  $1^{\circ}$  in the sky. Once you have measured some sizes on your hand, you will always have a "handy" aid present at your observation sessions.

When observing with binoculars and telescopes it is very helpful to know the diameter of the field of view. You can estimate this by comparing it with the disk of the full moon, which is about  $30' = 0.5^{\circ}$  across. Better still are data from the manufacturer, or your own measurements. For example, a field of  $5^{\circ}$  in binoculars corresponds to a 5 cm (2 in.) circle in the round enlarged sections of this atlas. For an observer with such binoculars, a transparency with circles of 1.25 and 5 cm (0.5 and 2 in.) diameter is a helpful aid since it shows the visible field in the main and finder charts. Trying to work with star charts can be difficult for the inexperienced observer, but it becomes easy by knowing direction and scale.

All maps and charts are somewhat distorted, because the sky is spherical and charts are flat. Therefore the scale is not constant. Star charts containing a large fraction of the whole sky (e.g. p. 164) necessarily have large distortions. For all other charts the distortion is kept low by using appropriate projections. These projections show all right-ascension circles as straight lines, perpendicularly intersecting the declination circles throughout. The scale in the direction north–south (declination) is  $4^{\circ}/\text{cm}$  ( $10^{\circ}/\text{in.}$ ), while the scale in the direction east–west varies a little around this value as shown in Fig. 4. The round enlarged sections are stereographic projections and are practically free of distortion because of the small area of sky shown.

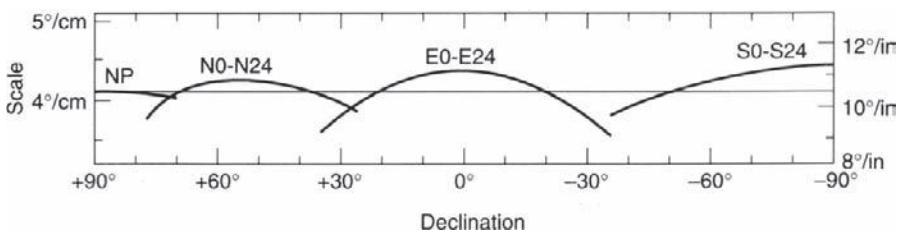


Figure 4: The scale of the star charts in the east–west direction, in the direction of right ascension (curves). The scale in the perpendicular direction (in declination) is  $4^{\circ}/\text{cm}$  everywhere (horizontal line). The difference between both scales is small; the charts are nearly undistorted.

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## Designations

There are many types of designation for astronomical objects. For the observer it is sufficient to be familiar with just the most important ones. Constellations are designated by their 88 official Latin names. Abbreviations for, and meanings of, the constellations are listed on pp. 158, 159. Bright stars are designated by the Bayer Greek letter and/or Flamsteed number, with the constellation name in the genitive, for example  $\alpha$  Ori = Alpha Orionis = 58 Orionis. Latin letters are used for variables and stars without a Bayer or Flamsteed designation. Some stars also have names which are mostly spelled here according to their original form. Today their spelling varies in different languages. Names are not that useful for the identification of stars, except the most common ones which are printed bold in the tables. The pronunciation of these foreign names poses problems for many people who are not familiar with Latin, Greek, and Arabic. For simplicity the names are often pronounced just as if they were English. Actually, the original pronunciation is much simpler than today's English, since every letter is always used in the same way: a as [ah], e as [eh], i as [ee], u as [oo], c as [k], etc.  $\xi$  Cep is pronounced [ksee keh-feh-ee]. Of course, there is no right and wrong in pronunciation, just as a dialect is not a right or a wrong language.

### Lower-Case Greek Alphabet

$\alpha$	alpha	$\varepsilon$	epsilon	$\iota$	iota	$\nu$	nu	$\varrho$	rho	$\varphi$	phi
$\beta$	beta	$\zeta$	zeta	$\kappa$	kappa	$\xi$	xi	$\sigma$	sigma	$\chi$	chi
$\gamma$	gamma	$\eta$	eta	$\lambda$	lambda	$\circ$	omicron	$\tau$	tau	$\psi$	psi
$\delta$	delta	$\vartheta$	theta	$\mu$	mu	$\pi$	pi	$\upsilon$	upsilon	$\omega$	omega

In the eighteenth century, Messier catalogued 103 nebulae which were later extended to 110 objects. In a few cases his description is not clear, so that some people disagree with the generally accepted identification. Messier objects are designated by an "M". A much more complete list of nonstellar objects is the *New General Catalogue* (NGC) with the *Index Catalogue* (IC). NGC objects are labeled by the number alone, while *Index Catalogue* objects start with "IC". All the nebulae in this atlas are listed on p. 154.

## Resolution

The eye has a resolution of  $5' = 300''$ : it can resolve double stars of  $5'$  separation or more. Very good eyes can resolve closer binaries, like  $\varepsilon$  Lyrae, of  $3.5'$  separation. Double stars with a very faint companion are more difficult. When observing with

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binoculars and telescopes, the resolution increases to  $300''/\text{power}$ , assuming perfect optics. This equation yields the resolution data listed in Table 2 for six instruments. In the catalog of binaries, the visibility is indicated by a dice symbol showing how many of these six instruments each binary is accessible to. The binaries observable with each instrument are thus easily identified.

The resolution is also limited by the aperture and is in the best case  $120''/\text{aperture}$  in mm ( $5''/\text{aperture in in.}$ ). The resolution of the eye and the telescope match each other if the magnification is 2.5 times the aperture in mm ( $60 \times \text{aperture in in.}$ ). This is the highest efficient power. It can be used for binaries under good conditions. On the other hand, most nebulae require a much lower power.

Unfortunately, most standardly equipped telescopes come with high, and completely useless, magnifications, while the so-important low powers, with large fields of view, are missing. A long focal-length eyepiece can easily close this gap. The useful standard magnification is about ten times lower than the highest efficient magnification, that is  $\text{aperture}/4$  ( $6 \times \text{aperture in in.}$ ). Many binoculars are optimal in this respect and easier to use than a telescope where such a magnification is missing. Many manufacturers like to save money on another part of the telescope as well: the finder. Many finders are made for long searching rather than quick finding. A good finder should have at least a 50 mm aperture and a  $5^\circ$  field of view. The purchase of a good finder can change frustrating searching into exciting observing. Note also that observing with binoculars is much more enjoyable if they are mounted on a tripod.

*Table 2:* Limiting magnitude and resolving power of six instruments under good conditions (dark sky, steady air, high in the sky, good optics). For nebulae one should decrease the limiting magnitude by one. For each instrument, the approximate true field of view and the true size of an apparently lunar-size object is also listed. The last column lists the number of observable binaries of the catalog. The visibility of binaries is classified into the six instrument classes by a dice symbol.

Instrument	Power	Aper-ture	Limit. mag.	Field of view	Lunar size	Reso-lution	# of bi-vis. naries
unaided eye	$1 \times$	6 mm	6	$120^\circ$	$30'$	$300''$	–
opera glasses	$3 \times$	20 mm	8	$15^\circ$	$10'$	$100''$	$\geq \blacksquare$ 36
finder	$6 \times$	30 mm	9	$7^\circ$	$5'$	$50''$	$\geq \blacksquare$ 55
binoculars	$12 \times$	50 mm	10	$4^\circ$	$2.5'$	$25''$	$\geq \blacksquare$ 93
guide scope	$60 \times$	75 mm	11	$50'$	$30''$	$5''$	$\geq \blacksquare$ 169
telescope {	$35 \times$	150 mm	13	$80'$	$50''$	$8''$	$\geq \blacksquare$ 247
	$350 \times$			$8'$	$5''$	$0.8''$	

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## Adaption of the Eye

The human retina has cones and rods. The rods are the sensitive detectors necessary for the observation of nebulae. They are concentrated toward the edge of our field of view. Therefore, the experienced observer looks somewhat away from and not directly at faint nebulae in order to make them detectable. This important observing technique is called indirect vision.

When the rods have been blinded, even only for a moment, they need some 30 minutes to regain their full sensitivity. Since rods are sensitive to blue and green light, but not to red light, a deep-sky observer needs a red flash light. This way, one can read star charts without losing the adaption.

## Magnitude

Brightness in astronomy is measured in (stellar) magnitudes, abbreviated mag. and sometimes denoted by a superscript  $m^{\circ}$ . The unaided eye can see stars to approximately magnitude 6, depending on sky conditions. Binoculars and telescopes reach to much fainter stars (see Table 2). The main star charts in this atlas represent the naked-eye view (limiting magnitude 6), while the round enlarged sections (finder charts) match the view in a finder or small binoculars (limiting magnitude 9).

Preceding the magnitude entry in the catalog is a small black dot indicating the printed size of the star in the main star chart. This simplifies the comparison between catalog and star chart. The brightest stars in the catalog are thus obvious.

Magnitudes of stars are accurately known. They are listed with one decimal. On the other hand, nebulae do not have well-defined circumferences. Thus their magnitude is very dependent on the area regarded as part of the nebula. It is not surprising that the magnitude of a nebula may differ by a full magnitude in different sources. Therefore, nebular magnitudes are given here to half magnitudes as was done in the New General Catalogue (NGC) more than one hundred years ago. The size and magnitude of a nebula refer in this atlas to what can be seen under a very dark sky. Under less-favorable conditions nebulae will appear fainter and smaller, while professional equipment can trace them further out. Table 3 lists magnitude systems for theoretically interested readers. For practical purposes, the difference of a few tenths of a magnitude between different magnitude systems is not noticeable and thus negligible.

When you actually observe nebulae, the total magnitude is often not as important as the surface brightness or brightness density per square arc-minute. (Both the total magnitude and the surface brightness are listed in the catalog under “v-Mag.”) Nebulae with a high surface brightness ( $10/\square'$ ) allow high power (magnification). Thus they can be observed in moonlight or artificial light pollution. Fainter

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Table 3: Magnitude Systems.

V-magnitude	V in UBV-system, corresponds to the spectral sensitivity of the eye with direct vision, appropriate parameter for bright stars.
v-magnitude	visual, corresponds to the spectral sensitivity of the eye with indirect vision at night, appropriate parameter for nebulae.
relation	$v = V + (B-V)/3$ for stars
	$v \approx V - 1$ for planetary and diffuse emission nebulae
	$v \approx V$ for open star clusters and reflection nebulae
	$v \approx V + 0.3$ for globular star clusters and galaxies

objects ( $12/\square'$ ) require a low power and dark sky. To find nebulae with a low surface brightness ( $14/\square'$ ) is a challenge, sometimes even to the experienced observer. Those nebula may be visible to the unaided eye in perfect conditions while a search may be hopeless with slight light pollution, even for a large telescope. In the visibility column of the catalog, dice symbols with open circles are a warning sign of low surface brightness.

The surface brightness might vary across the nebula, so that bright stars in a cluster or a galaxy core can be more easily observed, while the outer nebular regions might

Table 4: Surface brightness of the background sky as a function of artificial light pollution or moonlight. The sky appears darker through a nebular filter which only helps for specific nebulae. The right part of the table lists the number of observable nebulae of the catalog, restricted by the instrument size and by the condition that the surface brightness of the nebula must at least match the surface brightness of the background. The instrument class necessary to recognize a nebula as such is given by a dice symbol, listed for each nebula in the catalog. Nebulae with low surface brightness ( $13-14/\square'$ ) have a dice symbol with open circles.

Artificial or natural illumination: Location	Sky back- ground mag.	3×20	6×30	12×50	75mm	150mm	Unaided eye		Opera glasses		Finder		Binoculars		Guide scope		Telescope		Vis.
							⊕	≥⊕	⊕	≥⊕	⊕	≥⊕	⊕	≥⊕	⊕	≥⊕	⊕	≥⊕	
large city	Full ☽	10/ $\square'$		5	10	12											25	32	}
small city	3/4 ☽	11		18	40	53											79	97	⊕-□
suburb	Half ☷	12		24	63	86											112	148	170
field	1/4 ☷	13		34	83	116											149	198	232
mountains	New Moon	14		35	89	123											161	216	250
																			⊕-□

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be much more difficult to see. Although knowledge of the surface brightness is very valuable for the deep-sky observer, it is not listed in most atlases or catalogs.

These data together with Table 4 can be the basis for selecting objects for an observing session. For example, an observer with binoculars on a field far from city lights and without moonlight will choose nebulae with a visibility of more than 3 and a surface brightness over 13/ $\square'$  (a dice symbol with at least four filled dots). An experienced observer may wish to check out the limits (visibility of 3 or surface brightness of 13/ $\square'$ ).

## Color

Only the very brightest stars reveal their color to the unaided eye. With binoculars, a few hundred stars appear colored, namely the stars down to magnitude 4. In a telescope, stars of magnitude 7 and the brightest nebulae show their colors.

Colors of stars are measured by their B-V color index listed in the catalog. For negative color indices, the zero before the decimal point is omitted. The scale goes from blue with a slightly negative color index via white ( $B-V = 0.5$ ) to yellow with a color index of 1–2. There are very few stars with a color index exceeding 2 shining orange-red; they are so faint that their colors appear only in a telescope. For comparison, the blue color of the clear daytime sky has a color index of  $-0.3$  while the yellow light of a standard light bulb has a color index of about 1.5. A red giant with a color index of 1.5 is not red but as yellow as a light bulb. This can be easily verified by watching Betelgeuse or Antares through a telescope. For this purpose, it is best to put the bright star slightly out of focus since the human color recognition is more sensitive for extended objects than for point sources.

Color pictures show yellow stars and blue-green nebulae in a red color. Color emulsions have their color balance adjusted for daylight but not for the light of cool stars or emission nebulae. Color emulsions and most digital images show the universe in false color, a different, fascinating view from the view to the human eye. The false color makes many astronomical pictures more impressive.

The color of a star is directly related to its surface temperature. Stars with white heat are hotter than those with red heat. Still hotter stars glow bluish. In the catalog, a thermometer symbol follows the entry of the color index. This symbol deserves special attention for binary stars since binaries with components of different temperatures show impressive color contrasts.

The color of a star is correlated with its spectral type, which is determined from absorption lines in the spectrum of a star. Spectral types are O, B, A, F, G, M, and C from bluish/hot to reddish/cool, with a decimal from 0 to 9. In the star catalog, the spectral type is listed in the column “Sp.”.

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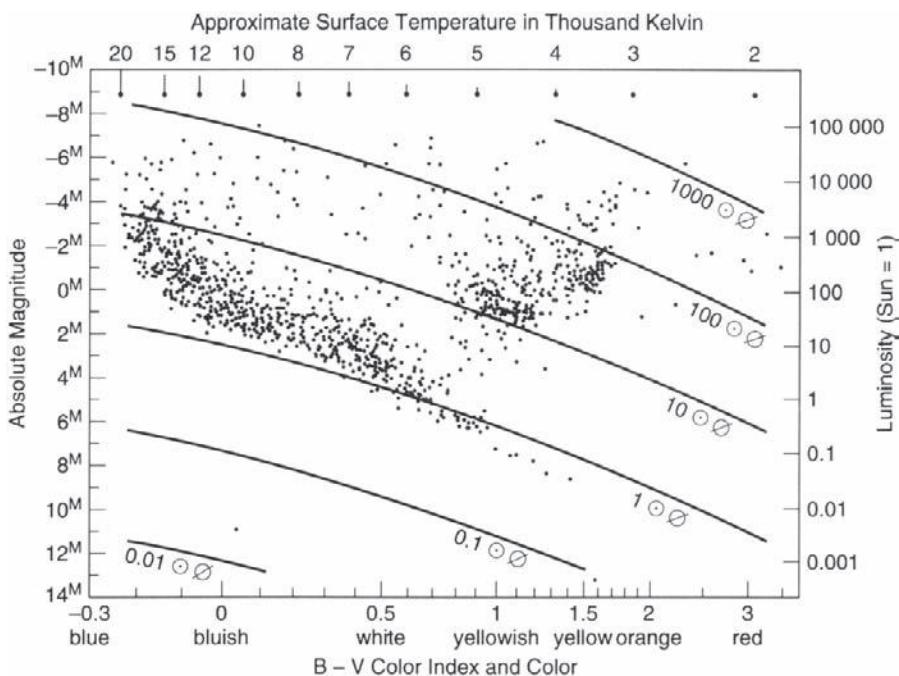


Figure 5: Color-magnitude diagram of all stars of this catalog. Most stars seem to be more luminous than our sun, but this is only a selection effect. Actually, more than 80 percent of the stars are less luminous than our sun. The curves indicate stellar diameters in units of the solar diameter (1.4 million km = 865 000 miles).

## Luminosity

The real luminosity of a star is indicated by its absolute magnitude; this is the magnitude from a standard distance of 10 pc = 32.6 light years. It is listed in the catalog (column "Abs."). For variable stars, only the maximum absolute magnitude is listed. For comparison, our sun has an absolute magnitude of 4<sup>M</sup>.8. The most luminous stars with an absolute magnitude of -8<sup>M</sup> shine 100 000 times brighter than our sun when viewed from the same distance. On the other end, Barnard's Star (chart E17) with an absolute magnitude of 13<sup>M</sup> does not even have one thousandth of the solar luminosity.

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Table 5: Classification of variable stars.

Intrinsic Variable Stars	Typical light curve	#
irregular:		19
semiregular:	giant and supergiant pulsating stars	23
Mira type:	long period, large amplitude, light curve changing	14
Cepheid:	short period, quite regular, named after $\delta$ Cephei	10
Eclipsing Binaries (very regular)		
Algol type:	short minima, long constant maximum light	6
Beta Lyrae ( $\beta$ Lyr) type:	almost constantly varying	9

The size of a star is determined by its absolute magnitude and color (Fig. 5). Stars at least about 10 times larger than the sun are giants. Those more than 10 times smaller than the sun are white dwarfs. The best observable white dwarf is listed on p. 54, bottom.

## Binaries

If the separation between two stars is less than the resolution of the unaided eye (about  $5' = 300''$ ) they appear as one star to the unaided eye. In that case, the catalog of stars contains only one entry with the combined light of both components. It is thus consistent with the appearance of the sky to the unaided eye. A symbol of two stars following the magnitude entry indicates that this star is a double star or binary. Both components are then listed with their magnitudes and colors in the catalog of binaries. Also listed is the separation between both components. The relative position angle between both components is shown graphically with north to the top and west to the right consistent with the orientation in the star charts.

Binaries which hardly move between 2005 and 2020 have one entry for separation and position angle. Binaries with apparent motion are listed for the year 2005 (first entry, abbreviated '5) and further years until 2020. To be exact, the separation and position angle refer to the beginning of a given year, but this really only matters for the fastest binaries. For a few very fast binaries, the motion of the companion relative to the primary is shown graphically between 2000 and 2025 with north to the top as well.

For triple stars with comparable separations, the third component is listed in a second row. For triple stars with very different separations, the close pair is listed in the second row. The first row then shows the appearance in a small instrument where the close pair cannot be separated.

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There are two types of binaries: intrinsic binaries and optical binaries. They are intrinsic if the stars are close to each other in space. They are optical if they are along our line of sight but at different distances. In 1997 the satellite Hipparcos revealed for many binaries their type due to its accurate distance measurements. Intrinsic binaries have one entry for the distance in the catalog while optical binaries have both distances given with the distance to the brighter star listed first. The type of the binary is also revealed in the catalog of binaries since separations of optical binaries are rounded to full arc-seconds. Some intrinsic binaries are observable with the unaided eye. Each component is then listed in the catalog of stars but not in the catalog of binaries.

## Variable Stars

There are two main groups of variables: eclipsing binaries (two stars occult each other) and intrinsic variables (physically changing stars). Eclipsing binaries can be divided into Algol-type and  $\beta$  Lyrae-type stars. Algol-type variables shine mostly at constant, maximum light. Their brightness drops steeply when the stars are eclipsing each other.  $\beta$  Lyrae stars constantly change their brightness. The two stars are so close that they are elongated by gravitational interaction. Sometimes we look at their narrow side, sometimes at their wide side. Intrinsic variables are divided into irregular, semiregular,  $\delta$  Cephei-type stars or Cepheids (short period), and Mira-type stars (long period), and novae which are not listed in this atlas. This is still only a rough classification: there are more than 50 subtypes of variable stars.

For variable-star observers, the tables list important information. The time of a maximum or minimum (usually the first one after J.D. 2454000) is listed as the Julian Date under “Max.” or “Min.”. The Julian Date for the beginning of each month is listed on p. 152. Further maxima and minima can be easily calculated by adding a multiple of the given period.

For Algol stars, the duration of the eclipse is given. This is the duration of the magnitude drop and increase. The minimum is centered with in this duration. Many intrinsic variable stars have asymmetric light curves, the brightness drop is slower than the increase. A quantified description of the asymmetry is sometimes given. For example, “Min = Max + 10” means that the minimum occurs regularly 10 days after the maximum.

Eclipsing binaries have a secondary minimum half way between successive primary minima, although this is barely noticeable for many variables. Many intrinsic variables display a varying amplitude from period to period. For example, Mira can get as bright as magnitude 2 but reaches only magnitude 4 during other maxima. The catalog of stars lists the average amplitude while the key word “Extrema” gives their extreme values ever recorded.

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## Nebulae

Most nebulae belong to one of the five groups of planetaries, diffuse nebulae, open and globular star clusters, and galaxies.

**Planetary nebulae:** These are called “planetaries” because in a telescope they look like small, greenish disks, just like Uranus. They are gaseous nebulae and consist of the outermost shell of a hot central star, blown into space many thousands of years ago. Most planetaries appear stellar in binoculars. Only at high power do they reveal their shapes. Rings and disks are the most common shapes. Planetary nebulae are more conspicuous through a green filter, or rather a nebular filter. This transmits the green or blue-green light of the nebula, but absorbs most of the other parts of the spectrum, thereby increasing the contrast between nebula and background. The colors of nebulae are barely visible in amateurs’ telescopes. But in very large telescopes planetaries shine intensely green or bluish-green.

**Diffuse nebulae:** These consist of gas and dust. Usually one finds them within a young open cluster where new stars are forming from their gas and dust. They are called emission nebulae if most of the light is gaseous emission. Their color, and the use of nebular filters, is the same as for planetaries. Filamentary supernova remnants also emit a similar spectrum. They do not tell the story of the birth of stars, but rather of the end of a star’s life. Diffuse nebulae are called reflection nebulae if most of the light is reflected or scattered light from a star by interstellar dust. They are more difficult to observe since their contrast cannot be enhanced by the use of nebular filters.

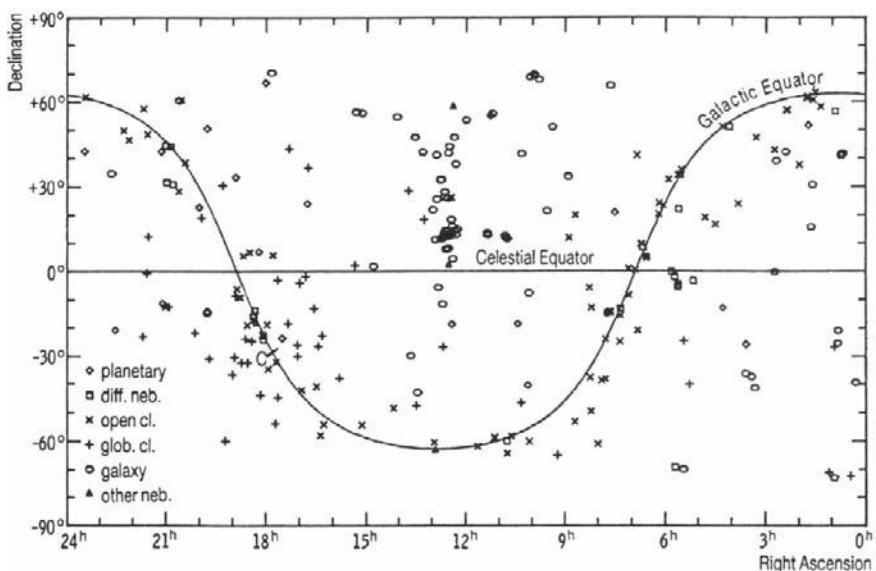
**Open star clusters:** Open clusters might appear nebulous to the naked eye or in small binoculars. But in a telescope they are always resolved into individual stars. Many open clusters are very young compared to our solar system. Gas and dust forming new stars are often associated with them. Rich open clusters consist of more than a hundred stars. Clusters poor in stars (less than 50 stars) are usually inconspicuous.

**Globular star clusters:** Globular clusters are so distant that individual stars only become visible in telescopes. In this case the cluster is said to be resolved. In binoculars and partially still in telescopes, the hundreds of thousands of stars appear as a nearly circular glow. The concentration towards the center is measured on a scale from I (extreme concentration) to XII (very smooth).

**Galaxies:** These are systems of stars like our own Milky Way. Large telescopes reveal their different shapes. Elliptical galaxies (E) appear as a featureless, elliptical glow. Lenticular galaxies (S0) look similar, but they contain dust clouds which show up as dark patches. Spiral galaxies come in a wide variety. Some are similar to lenticulars, but have faint spiral arms outside their bulge (Sa). The other extreme is a spiral with very long arms but no indication of a central bulge (Sd). Irregular spiral arms (Sm) mark the transition to the irregular galaxies (Ir) which do not fit into any of the other groups. There are more differentiated classification schemes, which also

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*Figure 6:* Distribution of nebulae in the sky. Planetaries, diffuse nebulae, and open clusters lie near the central plane of the Milky Way, the galactic equator. Globular clusters are also found far away from this plane, but are concentrated toward the center C of the Milky Way. Galaxies avoid the galactic equator and are densest in the Virgo Cluster (near center of figure). In the plane of the Milky Way, interstellar absorption by dust limits the visibility to approximately 10 000 light-years. Looking out of the plane, we have a clear view millions of light-years deep into the universe. Similarly, on a hazy day, the visibility towards the horizon may be very limited, yet the sun, some 150 million kilometers away, can be seen clearly high up in the sky

distinguish barred spirals from standard spirals. Finer subdivisions of galaxies are not easily observable in amateurs' telescopes.

Oblateness: Elliptical galaxies are classified according to their oblateness from E0 (circular) to E7 (very elongated). The oblateness is also important for the observation of other nebulae. For example, an apparently circular spiral galaxy is best suited for tracing spiral arms while an extremely elongated spiral galaxy shows most likely dust in the central plane. In the catalog, the oblateness of each nebula is graphically shown in the column "Shape," from a circle all the way to a thin line.

The descriptions of the 250 nebulae are based on observations by the author, who has observed every one with a telescope of 150 mm aperture under dark sky. Further information comes from the much larger volume "Observing Handbook and

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*Table 6:* Classification of nebulae. Abbreviations listed under “Type” and “Shape” as well as the oblateness symbols are used in the catalog of nebulae.

Type, Shape	Description	#	Type, Shape	Description	#
<b>PN</b>	<b>planetary nebula</b>		<b>GC</b>	<b>globular cluster</b>	
R	ring shaped	7	I–IV	core bright, concentrated	14
D	disk shaped	10	V–VIII	medium concentration	17
A	anomalous, irregular	4	IX–XII	uniform, without core	12
<b>DN</b>	<b>diffuse nebula</b>		<b>Glx</b>	<b>galaxy</b>	
Em	emission nebula	16	E	elliptical galaxy	12
Re	reflection nebula	4	0–7	oblateness	
Fi	filamentary supernova remnant	3	S0	lenticular galaxy	10
			Sa–m	spiral galaxy: a large core, hardly arms b medium core, short arms c small core, medium arms d no core, long arms m irregular spiral arms	9 15 14 12 4
<b>OC</b>	<b>open cluster</b>		Ir	irregular galaxy	5
r	rich in stars	21			
m	medium number of stars	36			
p	poor in stars	21			
n	visible nebulosity	11			
$\text{oblateness} = 10(a - b)/a$ <i>a</i> major axis, <i>b</i> minor axis			oblateness:	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	
			shape:	○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ 1 1 1	

Catalogue of Deep-Sky Objects.” Descriptions for the view in binoculars refer to 12 × 50 mm binoculars. Of course, the visible details are very dependent on many parameters, especially the darkness of the sky, so that they can only give a rough idea about what to expect to see.

Among the stars there are variable stars. On the other hand, nebulae do not change their light and shape, with two exceptions: Hubble’s Variable Nebulae (see p. 64) and the expanding light echo of the supernova 1987A near the Tarantula Nebula (see p. 102). It is not known how bright it will develop within the coming years. Time will tell.

## Further Reading

*Sky Atlas 2000.0* by Wil Tirion. Cambridge University Press and Sky Publishing Corporation, 1981.

This large-format atlas with 43,000 stars to visual magnitude 8.0 plus 2,500 deep-sky objects is the ideal supplement for the advanced observer.

*Sky Catalogue 2000.0* (2 vols.) edited by Alan Hirshfeld and Roger W. Sinnott. Cambridge University Press and Sky Publishing Corporation, 1982 (Vol. 1), 1985 (Vol. 2).

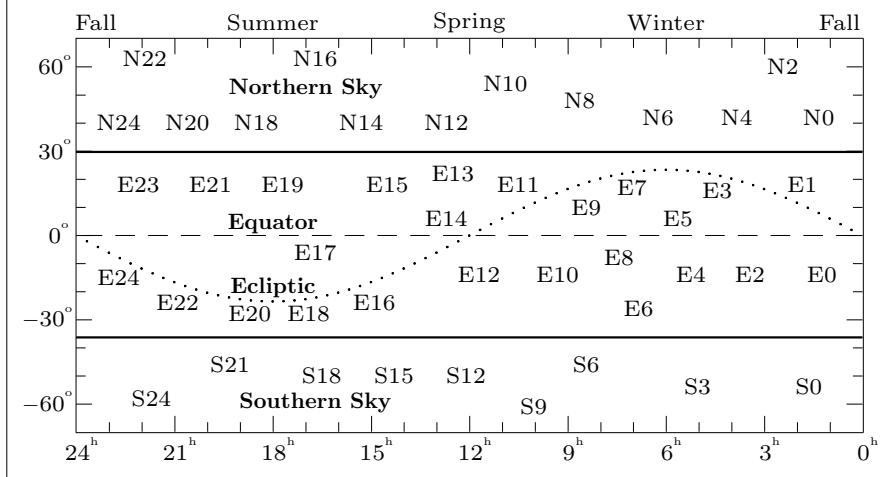
Data and notes on nearly all of the stars and objects of *Sky Atlas 2000.0* are given in this catalog for the advanced observer.

## Star Charts and Catalog

# Catalog Headings

<b>NEBULA</b>	Designation, the first column lists the number from the New General Catalogue (NGC); IC: Index Catalogue, M: Messier.
Position	Constellation (see pp. 158, 159); dot and circle in the rectangle show the location in the main star chart and enlargements.
v-Mag.	Total visual magnitude (first entry) and surface brightness per square arc-minute (second entry, mag./□').
Size	Apparent diameter of a nebula in arc-minutes (').
Shape	Classification according to the appearance in a telescope (see Table 6, p. 19). Preceding is an oval showing the elongation.
Type	Classification into PN: planetary nebulae, DN: diffuse nebulae, OC: open clusters, GC: globular clusters, and Glx: galaxies.
Vis.	Visibility from telescope only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to unaided eye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> . Low surface brightness <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> – <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> requires dark sky (see Table 4, p. 12).
Dist.	Distance in light-years (M: million).
R.A.	Right ascension for the equinox 2000.0, in hours and minutes.
Dec.	Declination for the equinox 2000.0, in degrees.
<b>STAR</b>	Designation (Flamsteed, Bayer) and constellation.
Position	Indicates the location in the star chart.
V-Mag.	Magnitude V in the UBV-system, combined magnitude for binaries *. A preceding dot shows the size in the main star chart.
B–V	Spectral color index, from bluish (<0) to orange-red (>2).
Te.	Symbol for the surface temperature of a star, from cool, yellow stars † to hot, bluish stars ‡.
Sp.	Spectral type: O, B, A, F, G, K, M, C, including decimals 0–9.
Abs.	Absolute magnitude, the V-mag. from a distance of 32.6 ly.
Name	Historic name of a star; names in use are printed in bold.
Dist.	Distance in light-years.
R.A.	Right ascension for the equinox 2000.0, in hours and minutes.
Dec.	Declination for the equinox 2000.0, in degrees.
<b>BINARY</b>	The same designation as in the catalog of stars.
Position	Indicates the location in the star chart.
V-Mag.	Magnitudes V in the UBV-system for both components.
B–V	Spectral color indices in the UBV-system for both components.
Te.	Symbols for the surface temperatures of both components.
Sep.	Separation in arc-seconds between both components.
PA	Relative position angle between both components (north up).
Vis.	From telescope only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to unaided eye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (see Table 2, p. 10).
<b>VARIABLE STAR</b>	The first line gives the designation, the position, the size in the main star chart, and the light curve (see Table 5, p. 15).
Period	Duration of the periodicity listed in days (d).
Max./Min.	Julian Day of maximum/minimum brightness (see pp. 152, 153).
Extrema	Extreme magnitudes ever observed.
Eclipse	Duration of eclipse for eclipsing variable stars.
2nd min.	Magnitude at secondary minimum for eclipsing variable stars.

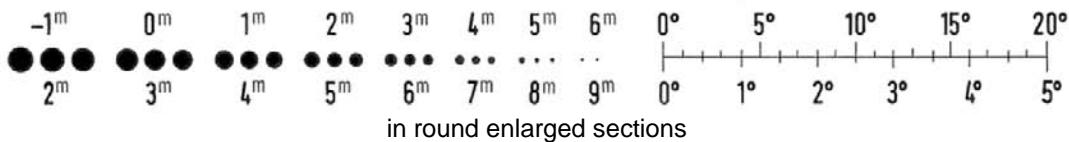
## Arrangement of Charts (see also p. 164)



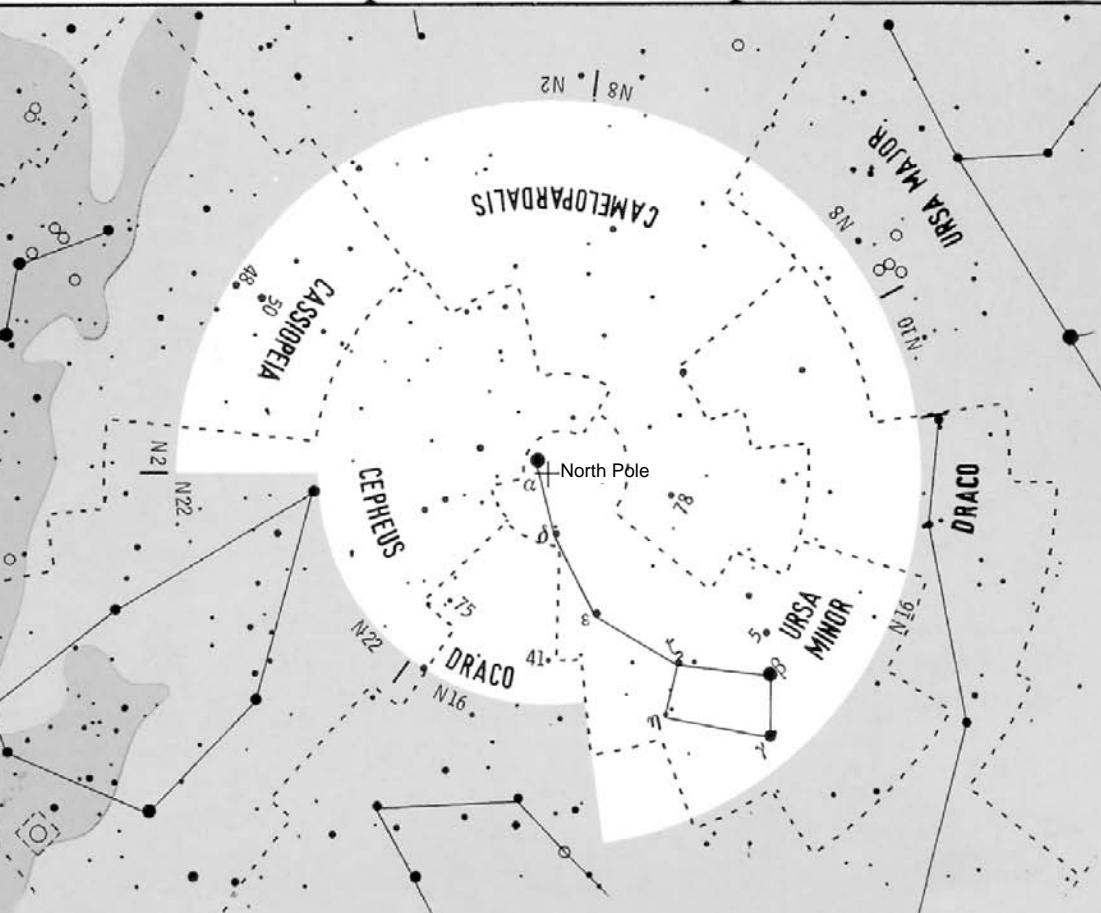
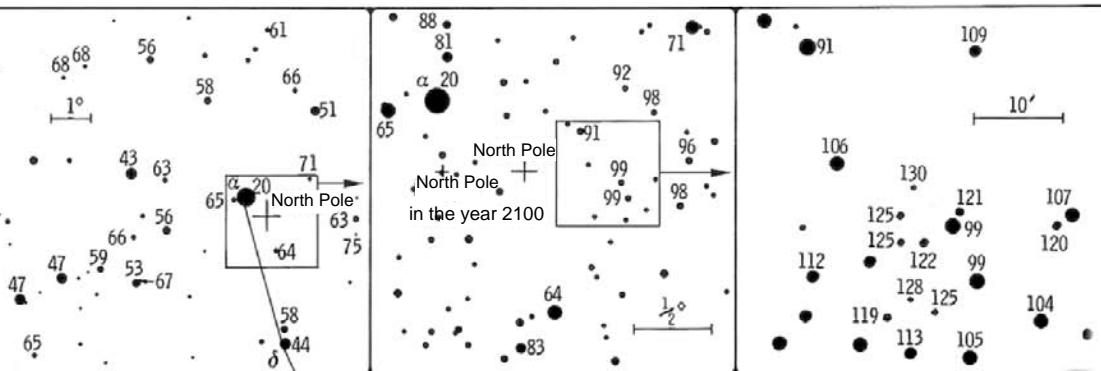
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50	Cas	•	4.0	0.0	•	↓	A 2	0	2 03.4	72.42	
1 α	UMi	•	2.0	0.6	•	↓	F 7 – 4	Polaris, North	430	2 31.8	89.26
78	Cam	•	4.8	•	0.0	↓	A 0 0	also 32 Cam	320	12 49.2	83.41
5	UMi	•	4.3	1.4	•	↓	K 4 – 1	..	350	14 27.5	75.70
7 β	UMi	•	2.1	1.5	•	↓	K 4 – 1	. Kochab .	125	14 50.7	74.16
13 γ	UMi	•	3.0	0.1	•	↓	A 3 – 3	. Pherkad .	460	15 20.7	71.83
16 ζ	UMi	•	4.3	0.0	•	↓	A 3 – 1	..	370	15 44.1	77.79
21 η	UMi	•	5.0	0.4	•	↓	F 5 3	..	97	16 17.5	75.76
22 ε	UMi	•	4.2	0.9	•	↓	G 5 – 1	..	350	16 46.0	82.04
23 δ	UMi	•	4.4	0.0	•	↓	A 1 1	..	180	17 32.2	86.59
41,40	Dra	•	5.1	•	0.5	↓	F 7 1	..	170	18 00.1	80.00
75	Dra	•	5.1	•	1.0	↓	G 9 – 1	..	500	20 28.0	81.43

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	Polaris	Coordinates	
48	Cas	•	4.7	6.7	0.1	0.4	↓↑'5	0''.8	••	•
							2025	2010	0.7	••
							2000	2015	0.6	••
								2020	0.5	••
78	Cam	•	5.3	5.8	0.0	0.0	↓↓	21.5	••	••
41,40	Dra	•	5.7	6.0	0.5	0.5	↓↓	18.8	••	••
75	Dra	•	5.4	6.6	1.0	1.0	↓↓	196.7	••	••

Stellar diameters and scale in star charts



Stellar magnitudes in tenths of a magnitude (20 = 2<sup>m</sup>0, etc.)



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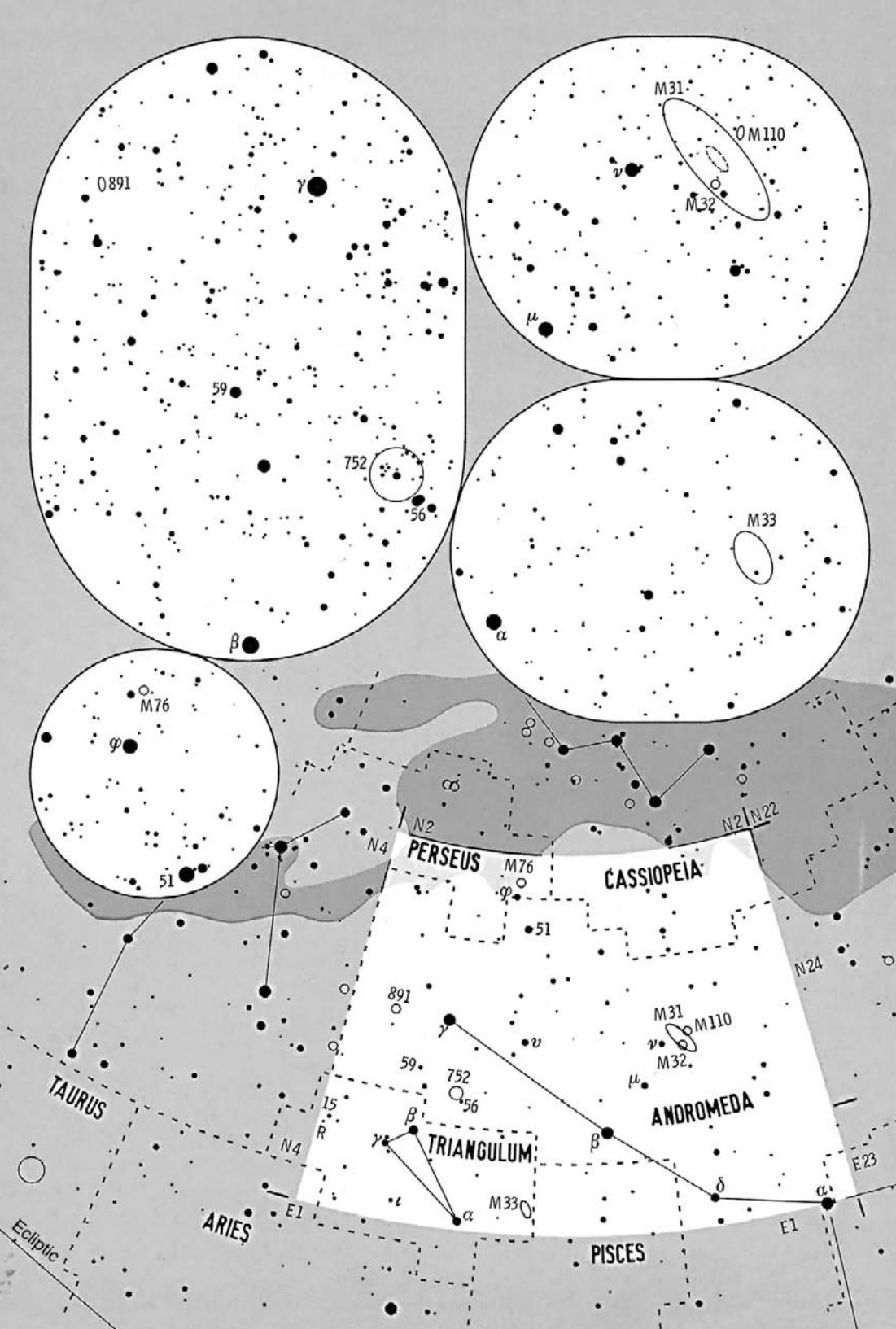
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205	M 110	And	8½	12/□'	10'	○ E5	Glx	2.8 Mly	0 <sup>h</sup> 40 <sup>m</sup> .4	41°69'
221	M 32	And	8½	11	3.5	○ E2	Glx	2.8 M	0 42.7	40.87
224	M 31	And	8½	4	13	150	Sb	Glx	2.8 M	0 42.7
598	M 33	Tri	6	14	50	○ Sd	Glx	2.9 M	1 33.9	30.66
650	M 76	Per	8½	10	11	2.5	○ A	PN	3 000	1 42.4
752	.....	And	8½	6	14	50	○ m	OC	1 500	1 57.8
891	.....	And	8½	10½	13	10	Sb	Glx	35 M	2 22.6

205 M 110 Companion galaxy of the Andromeda Galaxy, slightly asymmetric.  
 221 M 32 Companion of the Andromeda Galaxy, almost stellar in binoculars.  
 224 M 31 **Andromeda Galaxy**, nearest large galaxy, physically comparable with our Milky Way, bright prominent core, dust lanes west of the core, outer spiral arms and great size visible only under dark sky.  
 598 M 33 **Triangulum Galaxy**, dark sky and low power essential, elongated glow in binoculars without a bright core; a telescope shows two or three spiral arms with emission nebulae and stellar associations.  
 650 M 76 **Little Dumbbell**, irregular shape, consists of NGC 650 and 651.  
 752 ..... Difficult object with unaided eye, nicely resolved in binoculars.  
 891 ..... Faint edge-on galaxy, very elongated shape distinct in a telescope.

STAR		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
21	$\alpha$	And	2.1	0.0	↓	B 9	0 <sup>m</sup>	Alpheratz, Sirrah	98 ly	0 <sup>h</sup> 08 <sup>m</sup> .4	29.09
31	$\delta$	And	3.3	1.3	↑	K 3	1		102	0 39.3	30.86
35	$\nu$	And	4.5	-1	↓	B 5	-2		650	0 49.8	41.08
37	$\mu$	And	3.9	0.1	↓	A 5	1		140	0 56.8	38.50
43	$\beta$	And	2.1	1.6	↓	M 0	-2	. Mirach	200	1 09.7	35.62
50	$v$	And	4.1	0.5	↓	F 8	3		44	1 36.8	41.41
51	And		3.6	1.3	↓	K 3	0		180	1 38.0	48.63
	$\varphi$	Per	4.0	-1	↓	B 2	-3		800	1 43.7	50.69
2	$\alpha$	Tri	3.4	0.5	↓	F 6	2	Elmuthallath	64	1 53.1	29.58
56	And		5.0	**	1.3	K 1	-2		320,900	1 56.0	37.26
57	$\gamma$	And	2.1	**	1.2	K 1	-3	. Alamak	370	2 03.9	42.33
4	$\beta$	Tri	3.0	0.1	↓	A 5	0		125	2 09.5	34.99
59	And		5.6	**	0.0	A 0	1		300	2 10.9	39.04
6	$\iota$	Tri	4.9	**	0.8	G 3	0		300	2 12.4	30.30
9	$\gamma$	Tri	4.0	0.0	↓	A 1	1		120	2 17.3	33.85
15	Tri		5.1	**	1.1	K 5	-2		1 000	2 35.8	34.70
R	Tri		6.0-10	1.3	↓	M 4	-2		1 000	2 37.0	34.26

BINARY		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
56	And	8½	5.7	5.9	1.1	1.6	44	202"
57	$\gamma$	And	8½	2.2	4.9	1.4	0.0	9.6
59	And	8½	6.1	6.8	0.0	0.1	44	16.7
6	$\iota$	Tri	8½	5.2	6.7	0.8	0.5	3.9
15	Tri	8½	5.4	6.7	1.6	0.2	44	142.3

VARIABLE	STAR
R	Tri
Period	267 d
Max.	2454001
Min.	Max.+150
Extrema	5.4-12.6



# N2 Northern Sky Fall Constellations

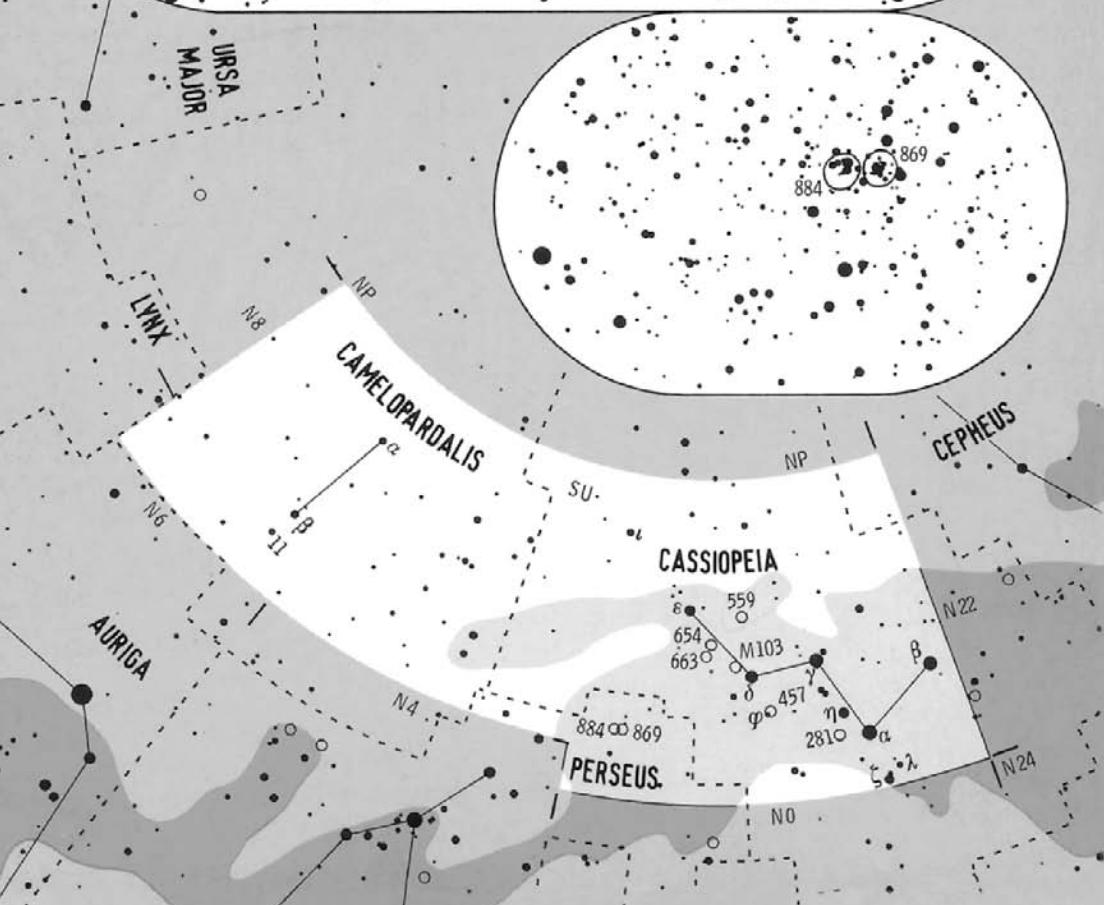
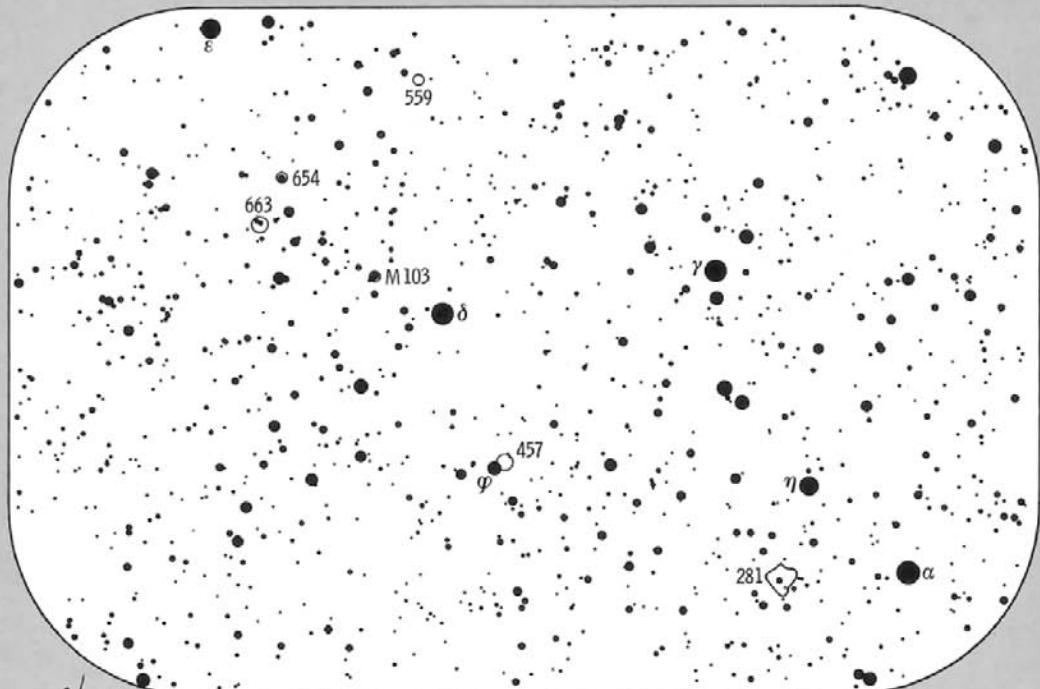
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
281	..... Cas	7½	14/□'	20'	○ Em	DN	7000 ly	0 <sup>h</sup> 52 <sup>m</sup> .8	56. <sup>°</sup> 60
457	..... Cas	6½	11	12	○ r	OC	8000	1 19.6	58.27
559	..... Cas	8	11	6	○ m	OC	4000	1 29.5	63.30
581	M 103 Cas	7½	11	6	○ p	OC	7000	1 33.3	60.66
654	..... Cas	7	10	5	○ m	OC	7000	1 44.1	61.88
663	..... Cas	7	12	15	○ m	OC	7000	1 46.3	61.24
869	..... Per	4	11	25	○ r	OC	8000	2 19.0	57.13
884	..... Per	4	11	25	○ r	OC	8000	2 22.4	57.12

281 ..... Faint in binoculars, interesting in a telescope with nebula filter.  
 457 ..... Well resolved in binoculars, remarkable stellar pattern in a telescope.  
 559 ..... Looks like a faint oval nebula in binoculars, resolved in a telescope.  
 581 M 103 Resolved in binoculars, hardly better in a telescope, a star mag. 7.3.  
 654 ..... Contains many faint stars, therefore mostly nebulous appearance.  
 663 ..... Excellent even in binoculars, many individual stars in a telescope,  
       quite irregular shape, contains two regions with many faint stars.  
 869 ..... h Persei } **Double Cluster**, h and chi Persei, easily visible with  
 884 ..... chi Persei } unaided eye as an elongated nebula, splendid view in  
       binoculars, still better in a telescope at low power, each cluster dis-  
       plays some 60 stars but actually contains approximately 300 stars.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
11 β Cas	■ ● 2.3	0.4	↓	F 2	1 <sup>M</sup>	..	Chaph ..	55 ly	0 <sup>h</sup> 09 <sup>m</sup> .2	59. <sup>°</sup> 15
14 λ Cas	■ • 4.7	- .1	↓	B 8	0	.. . . . .		340	0 31.8	54.52
17 ζ Cas	■ ● 3.7	- .2	↓	B 2 - 3	.. . . . .			600	0 37.0	53.90
18 α Cas	■ ● 2.2	1.2	↓	K 0 - 2	.	Schedir ..		240	0 40.5	56.54
24 η Cas	■ ● 3.4 *	0.6	↓	G 0 5	.. . . . .			19.4	0 49.1	57.82
27 γ Cas	■ ● 2.2-2.5	- .1	↓	B 0 - 4	.. . . . .			600	0 56.7	60.72
34 φ Cas	■ ● 4.8 *	0.6	↓	A 9 - 7	near NGC 457	5 000		1 20.1	58.23	
37 δ Cas	■ ● 2.7	0.2	↓	A 5 0	.	Ruchbah ..		100	1 25.8	60.24
45 ε Cas	■ ● 3.4	- .1	↓	B 2 - 2	.. . . . .			450	1 54.4	63.67
ι Cas	■ • 4.5 *	0.1	↓	A 5 1	.. . . . .			140	2 29.1	67.40
SU Cas	■ - 5.7-6.2	0.7	↓	F 5 - 3	.. . . . .			1 500	2 52.0	68.89
9 α Cam	■ • 4.3	0.0	↓	O 9 - 7	.. . . . .			4 000	4 54.1	66.34
10 β Cam	■ • 4.0 *	0.9	↓	G 0 - 4	.. . . . .			1 000	5 03.4	60.44
11,12 Cam	■ • 4.8 *	0.2	↓	A 1 - 2	.. . . . .			700	5 06.2	58.98

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
24 η Cas	■ ● 3.5	7.4	0.6	1.4	↓'5	13''.0	• ○
					2020	13.5	• ○
34 φ Cas	■ • 5.0	7.0	0.7	0.4	↓'5	134.1	• ○
ι Cas	■ • 4.6	6.9	0.1	0.4	↓'5	2.9	• ○
					2020	3.1	• ○
10 β Cam	■ • 4.0	7.4	0.9	0.3	↓'5	83.5	• ○
11,12 Cam	■ • 5.2	6.1	- .1	1.1	↓'5	178.4	• ○

VARIABLE STAR
27 γ Cas
● irregular
Period > 1 d
Extrema 1.6-3.0
SU Cas
Period 1.94931 d
Max. 2454000.69
Min. Max.+1.2

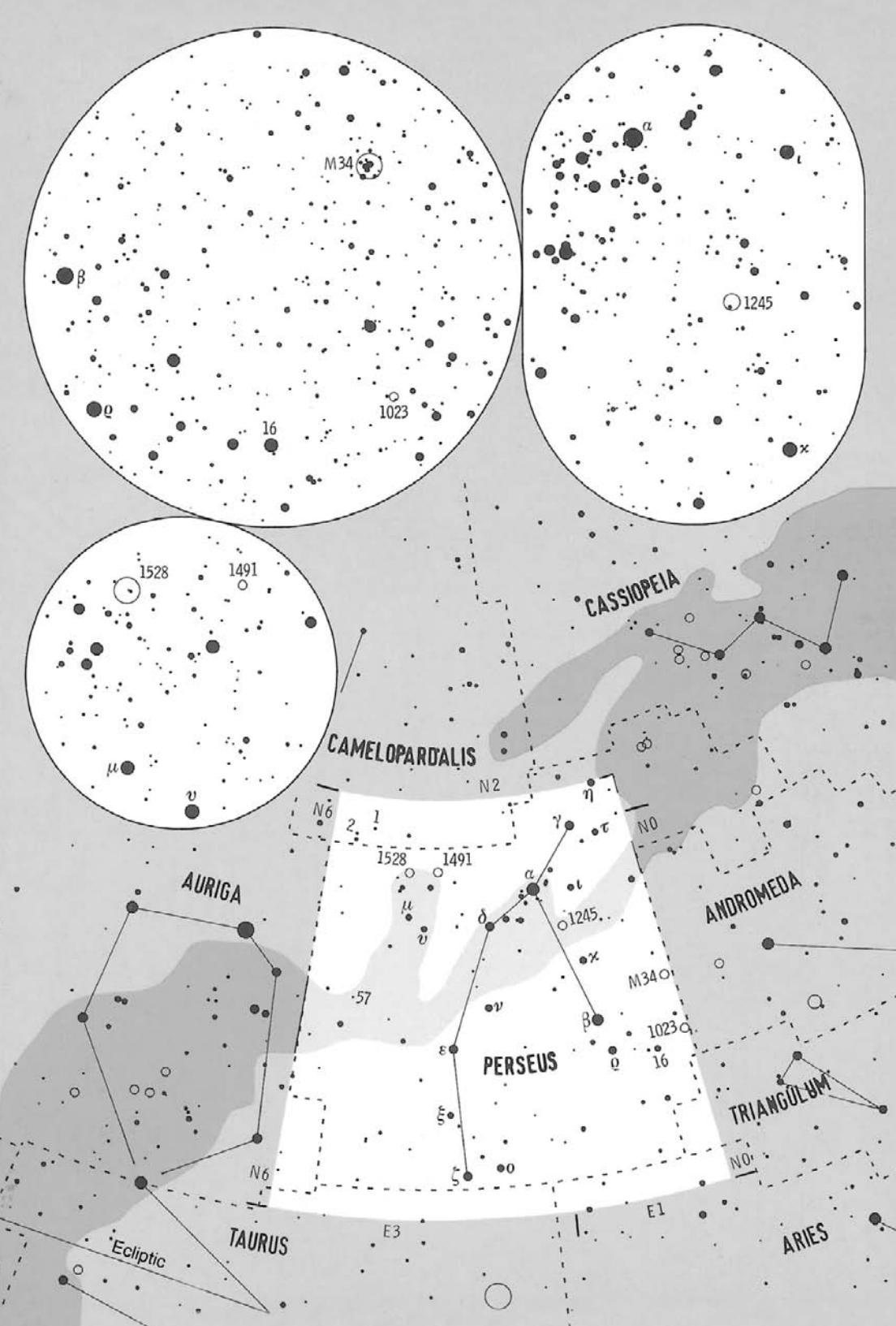


# N4 Northern Sky Fall-Winter Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1023 .....	Per	○	10	12/□'	5'	I S0	Glx	●	40 Mly
1039 M34	Per	○	5½	12	30	○ m	OC	●	1500
1245 .....	Per	○	8½	13	10	○ r	OC	○	8000
1491 .....	Per	○	10	12	3	○ Em	DN	●	10000
1528 .....	Per	○	6½	13	25	○ m	OC	○	2500
1023 .....								2 <sup>h</sup> 40 <sup>m</sup> 4	39°06'
1039 M34								2 42.1	42.78
1245 .....								3 14.7	47.25
1491 .....								4 03.4	51.32
1528 .....								4 15.4	51.22
1023 .....									Faint elliptical nebula with a bright core but without other features.
1039 M34									Very nice cluster for a finder and for binoculars, interesting in a telescope at low power only, some stars seem to be aligned along arms, others make various patterns, distinct central condensation.
1245 .....									Faint nebula in binoculars; individual stars become visible in a telescope but the background remains nebulous due to many faint stars.
1491 .....									At high power with nebula filter well separated from mag. 11.0 star.
1528 .....									Interesting resolved cluster in every telescope, some individual stars are visible even in binoculars, irregular distribution of faint stars.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
16	Per	○	•	4.2	0.3	↓	F 2	1 <sup>M</sup>	130 ly	2 <sup>h</sup> 50 <sup>m</sup> 6	38°32'
15	η Per	○	•	3.8	1.7	↓	K3 -4	.....	1200	2 50.7	55.90
18	τ Per	○	•	3.9	0.8	↓	G4 -1	.....	250	2 54.3	52.76
23	γ Per	○	•	2.9	0.7	↓	G8 -2	.....	250	3 04.8	53.51
25	ρ Per	○	•	3.3-3.5	1.6	↑	M3 -2	.....	310	3 05.2	38.84
26	β Per	○	•	2.1-3.4	0.0	↓	B 8 0	.. Algol ..	93	3 08.2	40.96
ι	Per	○	•	4.1	0.6	↓	G 0 4	.....	34.5	3 09.1	49.61
27	κ Per	○	•	3.8	1.0	↓	K 0 1	.....	113	3 09.5	44.86
33	α Per	○	•	1.8	0.5	↓	F 5 -5	.. Mirphak ..	600	3 24.3	49.86
39	δ Per	○	•	3.0	- .1	↓	B 5 -3	.....	600	3 42.9	47.79
38	ο Per	○	•	3.8	0.0	↓	B 1 -4	.. Atik ..	1200	3 44.3	32.29
41	ν Per	○	•	3.8	0.4	↓	F 5 -3	.....	600	3 45.2	42.58
44	ζ Per	○	•	2.8	0.1	↓	B 1 -5	.....	1200	3 54.1	31.88
45	ε Per	○	•	2.9	* -2	↓	B 0 -3	.....	600	3 57.9	40.01
46	ξ Per	○	•	4.0	0.0	↓	O 7 -4	.. Menkib ..	1500	3 59.0	35.79
48	v Per	○	•	4.0	0.0	↓	B 3 -2	.....	600	4 08.7	47.71
51	μ Per	○	•	4.1	0.9	↓	G 0 -3	.....	750	4 14.9	48.41
1	Cam	○	·	5.4	* 0.1	↓	B 0 -5	.....	4000	4 32.0	53.91
57	Per	○	·	5.6	* 0.3	↓	F 0 1	.....	220	4 33.4	43.05
2	Cam	○	·	5.4	* 0.3	↓	F 0 1	.....	280	4 40.0	53.47

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR	
45	ε Per	○	•	2.9	7.5	- .2	0.0		9".0 ● ○
1	Cam	○	·	5.8	6.9	0.1	0.1		10.3 •○
57	Per	○	·	6.1	6.8	0.4	0.2		121.2 ● ○
2	Cam	○	·	5.6	7.4	0.3	0.5	'5	0.7 ● ○
								2012	0.8 ● ○
								2020	0.8 ● ○
								2025 ← 2000	



# N6 Northern Sky Winter Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1912 M38	Aur	6½	12/□'	20'	○ m	OC	4000 ly	5 <sup>h</sup> 28 <sup>m</sup> .7	35.83
1931 .....	Aur	10	11	2.5	○ Em	DN	6000	5 31.4	34.23
1960 M36	Aur	6	12	15	○ m	OC	4000	5 36.3	34.13
2099 M37	Aur	6	12	25	○ r	OC	4000	5 52.4	32.53
2281 .....	Aur	6	12	20	○ p	OC	2000	6 48.5	41.07

1912 M38 Partially resolved in binoculars, interesting grouping of faint stars.  
 1931 .....

Small faint diffuse nebula, imbedded stars visible at high power.

1960 M36 Some stars resolved in binoculars, about 60 stars in a telescope aligned along arms, deficiency of faint stars, central condensation.

2099 M37 Binoculars show a large oval glow, which turns into an amazing number of stars in a telescope, a yellow mag. 9.1 star is centered.

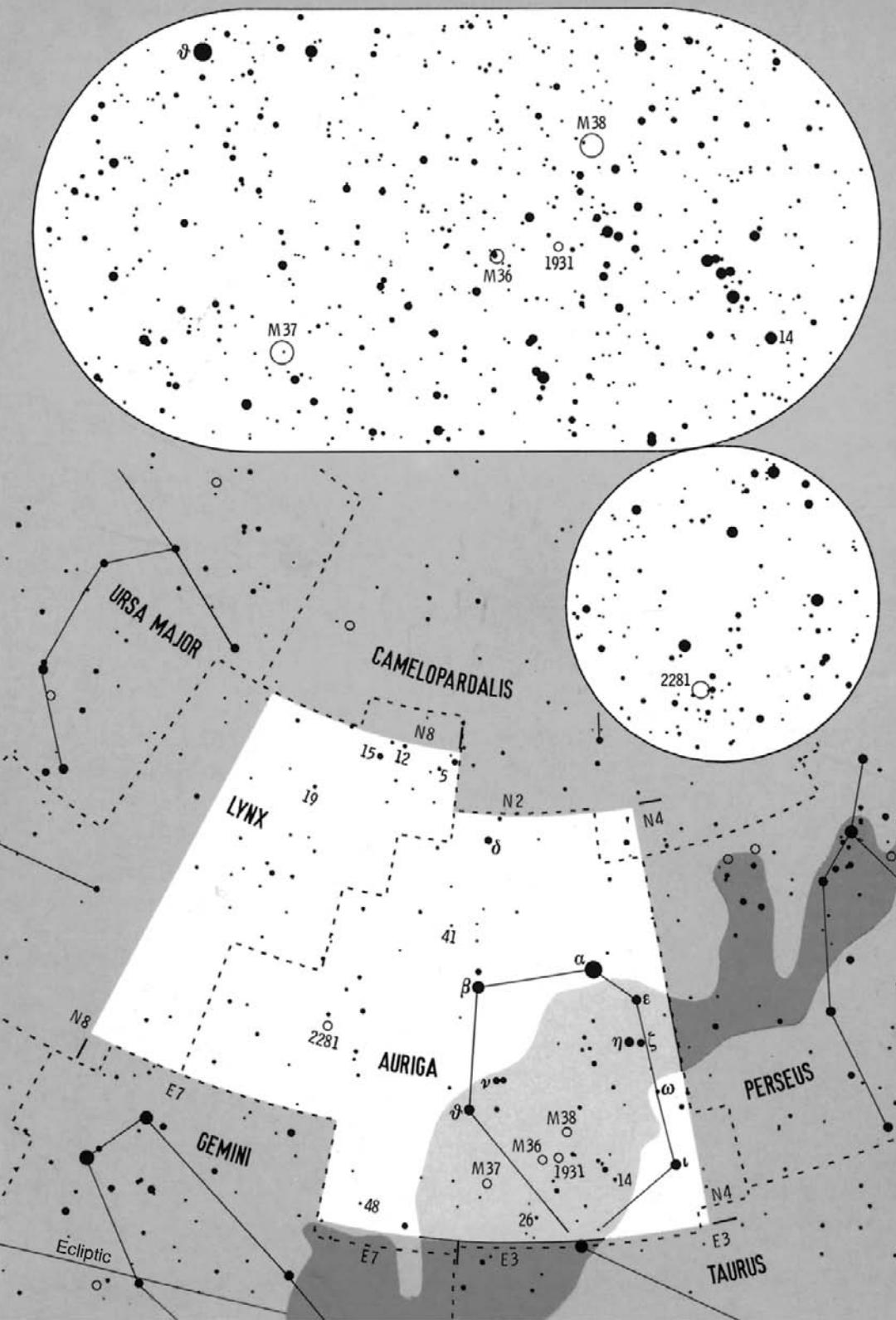
2281 .....

A few bright, irregularly scattered stars in binoculars, oval core.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
3 <i>i</i> Aur	■	● 2.7	1.5	↓	K3 -3 <sup>M</sup>	.....	.....	500 ly	4 <sup>h</sup> 57 <sup>m</sup> .0	33.17
4 <i>ω</i> Aur	■	● 4.9	✳ 0.0	↓	A 1 1	.....	.....	160	4 59.3	37.89
7 <i>ε</i> Aur	■	● 3.0-3.8	0.5	↓	F 0 -7	.....	.....	3000	5 02.0	43.82
8 <i>ζ</i> Aur	■	● 3.7-4.0	1.2	↓	K 4 -3	.....	.....	800	5 02.5	41.08
10 <i>η</i> Aur	■	● 3.2	-2	↓	B 3 -1	.....	.....	220	5 06.5	41.23
14	Aur	■	● 4.9	✳ 0.2	↓	A 9 0	.....	270	5 15.4	32.69
13 <i>α</i> Aur	■	● 0.1	0.8	↓	G 5 0	.	Capella	42	5 16.7	46.00
26	Aur	■	● 5.4	0.4	↓	F 0 0	.....	450	5 38.6	30.49
32 <i>ν</i> Aur	■	● 4.0	1.1	↓	K 0 0	.....	.....	220	5 51.5	39.15
33 <i>δ</i> Aur	■	● 3.7	1.0	↓	K 0 1	.....	.....	140	5 59.5	54.28
34 <i>β</i> Aur	■	● 1.9	0.1	↓	A 2 0	Menkalinan	82	5 59.5	44.95	
37 <i>ϑ</i> Aur	■	● 2.6	✳ -.1	↓	A 0 -1	.....	.....	175	5 59.7	37.21
41	Aur	■	● 5.8	✳ 0.1	↓	A 3 1	.....	300	6 11.6	48.71
5 Lyn		● 5.1	✳ 1.5	↓	K 4 -2	.....	650,1500	6 26.8	58.42	
48 Aur		● 4.9-5.8	0.7	↓	F 6 -4	RT Aurigae	2000	6 28.6	30.49	
12 Lyn		● 4.8	✳ 0.1	↓	A 3 1	.....	.....	230	6 46.2	59.44
15 Lyn		● 4.4	0.8	↓	G 5 1	.....	.....	170	6 57.3	58.42
19 Lyn		● 5.3	✳ -.1	↓	B 8 -1	.....	.....	500	7 22.9	55.29

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR		
4 <i>ω</i> Aur	■	● 5.0	8.0	0.0	0.5	↓↓	4.8	●	■	●
14	Aur	■	● 5.0	7.9	0.2	0.4	↓↓	14.3	●	■
37 <i>ϑ</i> Aur	■	● 2.7	7.1	-.1	0.5	↓↓	3.6	●	■	●
41	Aur	■	● 6.2	7.0	0.1	0.2	↓↓	7.6	●	■
5 Lyn	■	● 5.2	7.8	1.5	1.1	↔	95	●	■	●
12 Lyn	■	● 4.9*	7.2	0.1	0.3	↓↓	8.9	●	■	●
		5.4	6.0	0.1	0.1	↓↓'5	1.9	●	■	●
							2020	1.9	●	■
19 Lyn	■	● 5.4*	7.6	-.1	0.0	↓↓	213.5	●	■	●
		5.8	6.8	-.1	0.0	↓↓	14.8	●	■	●

7 <i>ε</i> Aur	■	●		Min.	July 2010
				Eclipse	22 months
8 <i>ζ</i> Aur	■	●		Period	972.2 d
				Min.	2454914
				Eclipse	40 days
48 RT Aur	■	●		Period	3.7281 d
				Max.	2454000.7



# N8 Northern Sky Winter–Spring Constellations

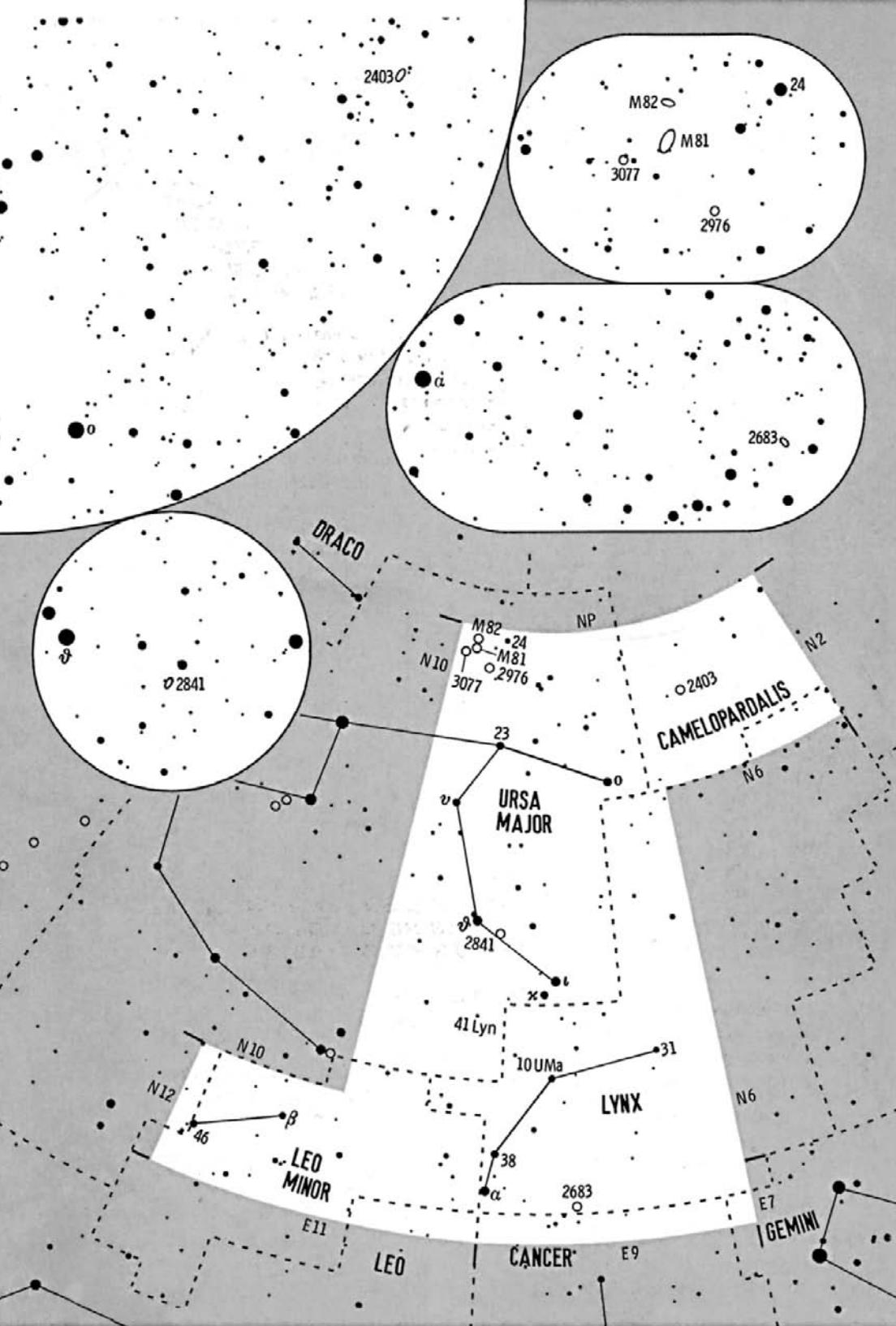
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
2403 .....	Cam [○]	8½	13/□'	12'	○ Sd	Glx	[○○]	10 Mly	7 <sup>h</sup> 36. <sup>m</sup> 9 65°.60
2683 .....	Lyn [○]	10	12	8	Sb	Glx	[○○]	25 M	8 52.7 33.42
2841 .....	UMa [○]	9½	13	7	○ Sb	Glx	[○○]	40 M	9 22.0 50.98
2976 .....	UMa [○]	10½	12	4	○ Sc	Glx	[○○]	13 M	9 47.3 67.91
3031 M 81	UMa [○]	7	12	18	○ Sa	Glx	[○○]	13 M	9 55.6 69.07
3034 M 82	UMa [○]	8½	12	10	Ir	Glx	[○○]	13 M	9 55.9 69.68
3077 .....	UMa [○]	10	12	3	○ Ir	Glx	[○○]	13 M	10 03.4 68.73

- 2403 .....
- Seen well in binoculars, spiral arms barely visible in a telescope.
- 2683 .....
- Faint edge-on galaxy, dust features faintly visible in a telescope.
- 2841 .....
- Small bright nonstellar core within a distinctly elongated nebula.
- 2976 .....
- Companion galaxy of M 81, faint elliptical nebula in a telescope.
- 3031 M 81
- Central galaxy in a group of galaxies, easily visible in binoculars, bright round central region with stellar core in a telescope, elongated halo; a field of view of 45' gives a nice view of the pair M 81, M 82.
- 3034 M 82
- Brightest companion of M 81, 37' north of M 81, active, almost edge-on galaxy, asymmetric distribution of brightness; a telescope shows wonderful dust features dividing the central area into three parts.
- 3077 .....
- Companion galaxy of M 81, featureless nebula with bright core.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
31 Lyn	[■]	• 4.3	1.5	•	K 5	-1 <sup>M</sup>	.	400 ly	8 <sup>h</sup> 22. <sup>m</sup> 8	43°.19
1 <i>o</i> UMa	[○]	• 3.3–3.4	0.9	↓	G 4	0	.	180	8 30.3	60.72
9 <i>i</i> UMa	[■]	• 3.1	0.2	↓	A 7	2	. Talitha	. 48	8 59.2	48.04
10 UMa	[■]	• 4.0	0.5	↓	F 5	3	. in Lynx	. 53	9 00.6	41.78
12 <i>κ</i> UMa	[■]	• 3.6	0.0	↓	A 1	-2	.	400	9 03.6	47.16
38 Lyn	[■]	• 3.8	✗ 0.1	↓	A 3	1	.	122	9 18.8	36.80
40 <i>α</i> Lyn	[○]	• 3.1	1.5	↓	M 0	-1	.	220	9 21.1	34.39
41 Lyn	[■]	• 5.3	✗ 1.0	↓	G 9	1	in Ursa Major	290	9 28.7	45.60
23 UMa	[■]	• 3.7	0.4	↓	F 0	2	.	76	9 31.5	63.06
25 <i>ϑ</i> UMa	[○]	• 3.2	0.5	↓	F 6	3	.	44	9 32.9	51.68
24 UMa	[●]	• 4.5	0.8	↓	G 4	2	.	105	9 34.5	69.83
29 <i>v</i> UMa	[●]	• 3.8	0.3	↓	F 0	1	.	115	9 51.0	59.04
31 <i>β</i> LMi	[●]	• 4.2	0.9	↓	G 8	1	.	145	10 27.9	36.71
46 LMi	[●]	• 3.8	1.0	↓	K 0	1	also <i>o</i> LMi	98	10 53.3	34.21

**Constellation Boundaries** (dashed in star charts): At the time Flamsteed numbered the stars 300 years ago, there were no fixed boundaries between constellations. Not until 1930 were they defined by the International Astronomical Union. Because of the new slightly shifted boundaries, 10 Ursae Majoris and 41 Lynxis are not located within the constellation of their Flamsteed designation.

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR
38 Lyn	[■]	• 3.9	6.2	0.1	0.5	↓↓	2.7'	• [○]
41 Lyn	[●]	• 5.4	7.8	1.0	0.6	↓↓	70.9	• [○○]
								1 <i>o</i> UMa [●] • irreg. ?
								Extrema 3.3–3.8



# N10 Northern Sky Spring Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
3184 .....	UMa	10	13/□'	5'	○ Sd Glx	□°	40 Mly	10 <sup>h</sup> 18 <sup>m</sup> .3	41. <sup>42</sup>
3556 M 108	UMa	10½	13	8	Sd Glx	□○	45 M	11 11.5	55.67
3587 M 97	UMa	10	12	3	○ D PN	●○	2500	11 14.8	55.02
3992 M 109	UMa	10	13	6	○ Sc Glx	□○	60 M	11 57.6	53.38
M 40	UMa	9	(8)	0.9	Double Star	●○	500	12 22.3	58.08
5457 M 101	UMa	8	14	20	○ Sd Glx	□○	25 M	14 03.2	54.35

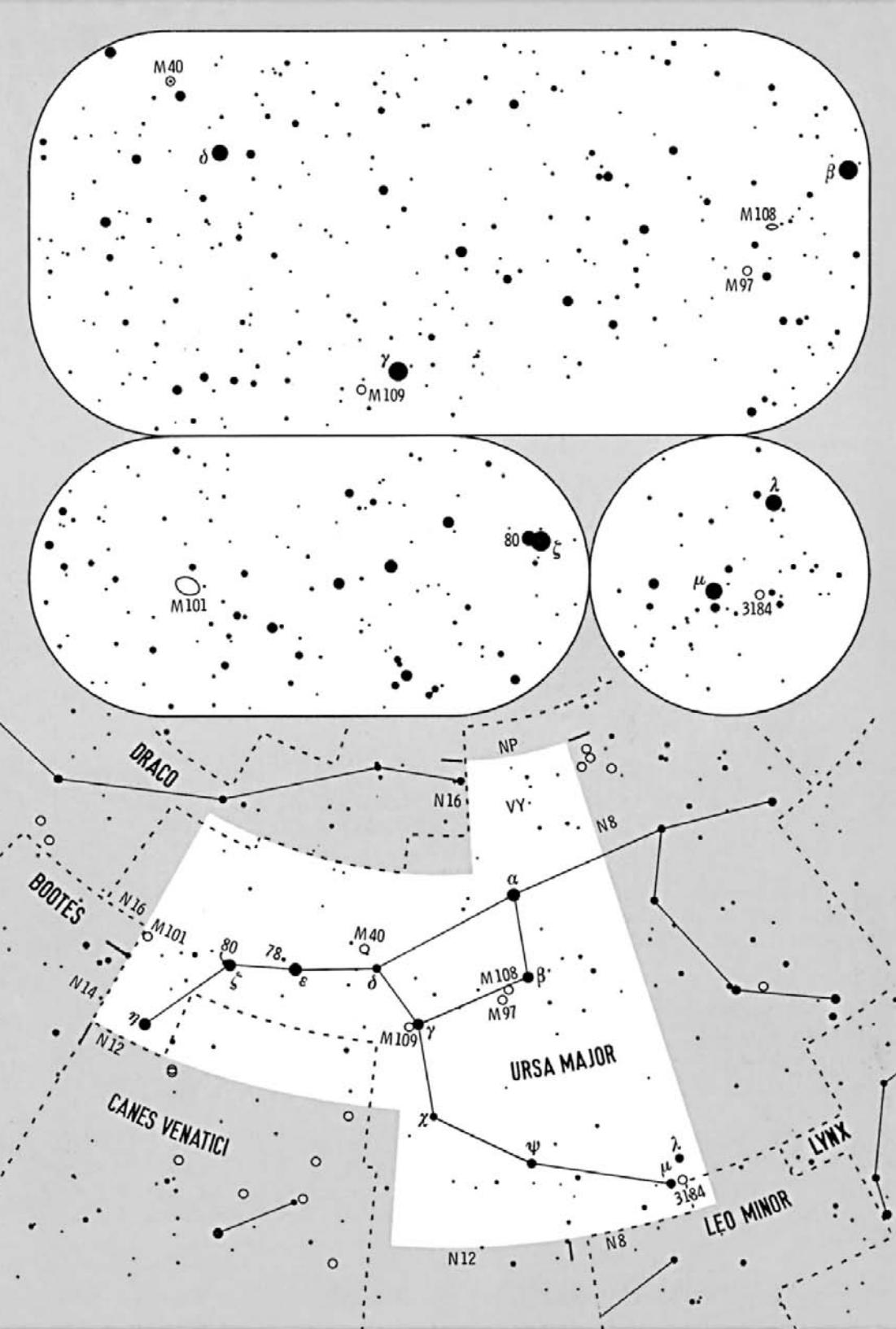
- 3184 ..... Faint, hardly showing any structure, spiral arms not observable.  
 3556 M 108 Distinct edge-on galaxy, elongated central region, a hint of dust features in a telescope; nice pairing with M97 in 1° field of view.  
 3587 M 97 **Owl Nebula**, circular; both dark eyes are hardly observable.  
 3992 M 109 Very faint Messier object, contains nonstellar central condensation.  
 M 40 Binary: two stars mag. 9.6 and 10.1 in 52" separation, which exactly matches Messier's description, certainly the correct identification.  
 5457 M 101 **Pinwheel Galaxy**, often just the bright central core is visible, only with darkest sky and lowest power does the enormous size become apparent; spiral arms are hardly visible although a few bright knots are discernable, especially near the southwestern edge, asymmetric.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
33 λ UMa	■●	3.5	0.0	↓	A 2	0 <sup>M</sup>	Tania Borealis	135 ly	10 <sup>h</sup> 17 <sup>m</sup> .1	42. <sup>91</sup>
34 μ UMa	■●	3.1	1.6	•	M 0	-1	Tania Australis	250	10 22.3	41.50
VY UMa	■●	5.9-6.1	2.4	•	C 5	-2	.....	1200	10 45.1	67.41
48 β UMa	■●	2.3	0.0	↓	A 1	0	Merak	80	11 01.8	56.38
50 α UMa	■●	1.8	1.1	↓	F 7	-1	Dubhe	125	11 03.7	61.75
52 ψ UMa	■●	3.0	1.1	↓	K 1	0	.....	145	11 09.7	44.50
63 χ UMa	■●	3.7	1.2	↓	K 0	0	.....	200	11 46.1	47.78
64 γ UMa	■●	2.4	0.0	↓	A 0	0	Phegda, Phad	84	11 53.8	53.69
69 δ UMa	■●	3.3	0.1	↓	A 3	1	Megrez	81	12 15.4	57.03
77 ε UMa	■●	1.8	0.0	↓	A 0	0	Alioth	82	12 54.0	55.96
78 θ UMa	■●	4.9	★ 0.4	↓	F 3	3	.....	82	13 00.7	56.37
79 ζ UMa	■●	2.0	★ 0.1	↓	A 2	0	Mizar	80	13 23.9	54.93
80 ι UMa	■●	4.0	0.2	↓	A 5	2	Alcor	80	13 25.2	54.99
85 η UMa	■●	1.9	-1	↓	B 3	-1	Alkaid, Benetnasch	102	13 47.5	49.31

**Mizar, Alcor:** This binary is often called the horse and rider. Its 11.8 arc-minute separation is much greater than the limit of resolution of the eye with normal vision (approximately 5'). Therefore, Alcor should be well visible when the sky is dark enough. Other stars testing the resolution of the unaided eye are θ Tau (Chart E3), α Cap = Algiedi (E22), μ Sco (S21), and δ Gru (S24).

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR
78	UMa	■●	5.0	7.8	0.3	0.7	↓↑'5 1.''4	•○
							2020 0.8	•○
79 ζ	UMa	■●	2.3	3.9	0.0	0.1	↓↑ 14.4	•○

VY UMa ■ irregular  
 Extrema 5.8-7.0  
 Color orange-red.



# N12

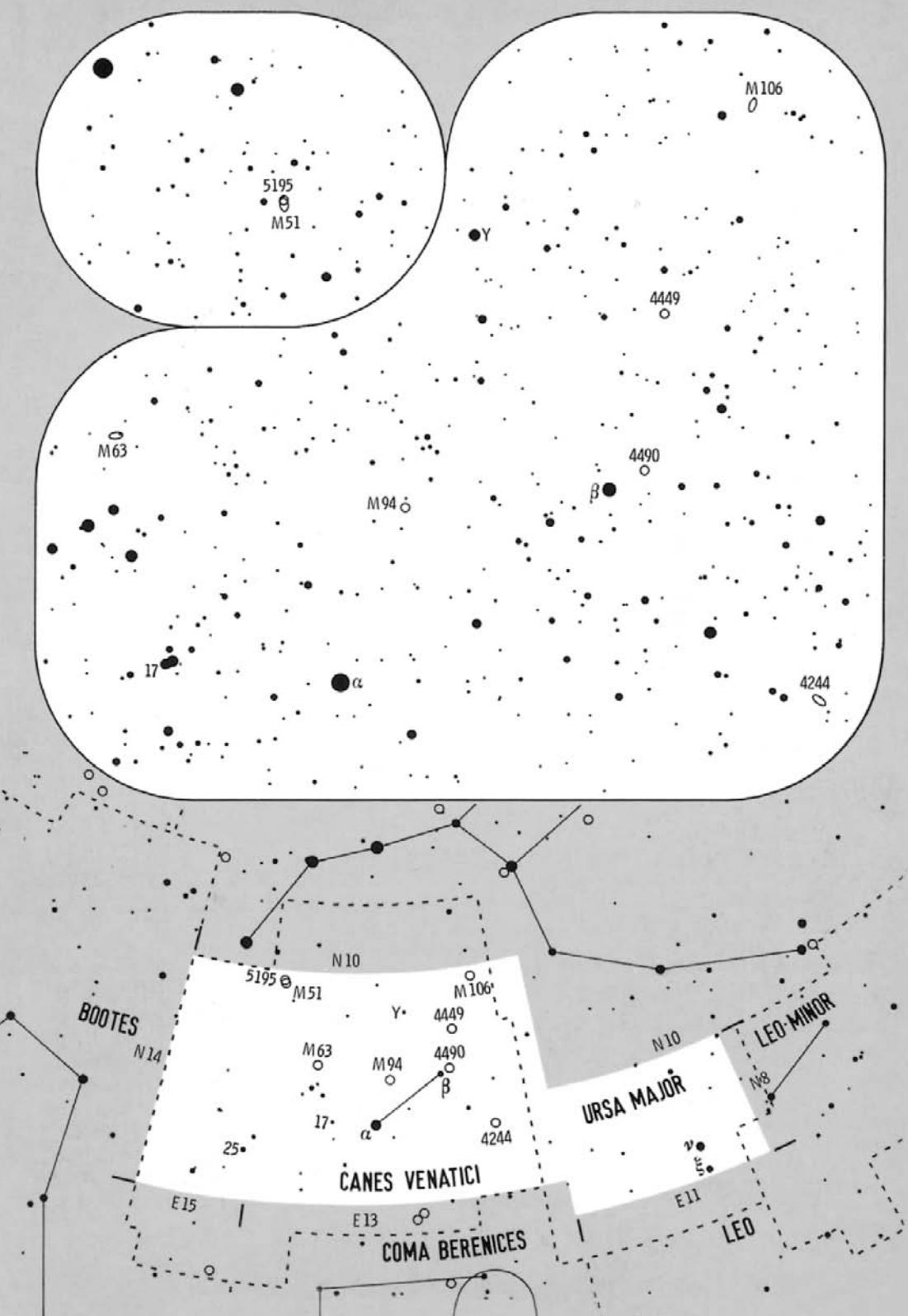
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NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
4244 .....	CVn	10½	13/□'	15'	Sd	Glx	○	16 Mly	12 <sup>h</sup> 17 <sup>m</sup> .5 37°.81
4258 M 106	CVn	8½	13	12	○ Sc	Glx	○○	25 M	12 19.0 47.30
4449 .....	CVn	9½	12	4	○ Ir	Glx	○○	14 M	12 28.2 44.09
4490 .....	CVn	10	12	5	○ Sd	Glx	○○	30 M	12 30.6 41.64
4736 M 94	CVn	8½	11	4	○ Sa	Glx	○○○	18 M	12 50.9 41.12
5055 M 63	CVn	9	12	6	○ Sc	Glx	○○○	30 M	13 15.8 42.04
5194 M 51	CVn	8½	13	8	○ Sc	Glx	○○○	30 M	13 29.9 47.20
5195 .....	CVn	10	12	3	○ Ir	Glx	○○	30 M	13 30.0 47.27

- 4244 .....
- Very faint galaxy, but intriguing edge-on shape, elongated core.
- 4258 M 106 Elliptical glow in binoculars, a bright central region with stellar core in a telescope, faint dust features, traces of spiral arms; the mag. 11½ galaxies NGC 4217 and 4220 lie 35' west and 45' northwest.
- 4449 .....
- Approximately rectangular, bright elongated central region, dust features barely visible; the halo is brightest at the northeast side.
- 4490 .....
- Elongated central region within a large faint background glow; a light bridge extends to the mag. 12 galaxy NGC 4485 only 4' north.
- 4736 M 94 Almost stellar in binoculars, bright round core in a telescope, faint halo elongated east–west, hints of spiral arms, medium power best.
- 5055 M 63 Distinct nonstellar core, oval halo, spiral arms not observable.
- 5194 M 51 **Whirlpool Galaxy**, bright core easily visible, two long spiral arms observable in a telescope, one arm is winding toward NGC 5195, wonderful galaxy, this might be the most beautiful spiral in the sky.
- 5195 .....
- Probably companion galaxy of M 51, seems to touch M 51, the cores are only 5' apart, looks hardly fainter but clearly smaller than M 51.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
53 ξ UMa	■	● 3.8	‡ 0.6	↓	G0	4 <sup>M</sup>	Alula Australis	25 ly	11 <sup>h</sup> 18 <sup>m</sup> .2	31°.53
54 ν UMa	■	● 3.5	1.4	↓	K3 –2		Alula Borealis	420	11 18.5	33.09
8 β CVn	○	● 4.2	0.6	↓	G0	5	.....	27.3	12 33.7	41.36
Y CVn	○	● 5.2–5.6	2.9	●	C7 –2		La Superba	800	12 45.1	45.44
12 α CVn	○	● 2.8	‡ –.1	↓	A1	0	Cor Caroli	110	12 56.0	38.32
17,15 CVn	○	● 5.3	‡ 0.1	↓	A4 –1	.....	200,1000	13 09.9	38.51	
25 CVn	■	● 4.8	‡ 0.2	↓	A7	1	.....	190	13 37.5	36.29

BINARY		Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR	
53 ξ UMa	■	● 4.3	4.8	0.6	0.6	11'5	1.7	● ○	Y CVn	○ · semireg.
						● 2000	·	● ○		Period ≈ 157 d
							2008	1.6	● ○	Extrema 4.9–6.0
							2011	1.6	● ○	It is a red giant of
							2014	1.8	● ○	400 million km =
							2017	2.0	● ○	250 million miles
							2020	2.2	● ○	diameter; color
						2025	·	● ○	is distinct only	
12 α CVn	○	● 2.9	5.5	–.1	0.3	11	19.2	● ○		in a telescope.
17,15 CVn	○	● 5.9	6.3	0.3	–.1	11	278	● ○○		
25 CVn	■	● 5.0	7.0	0.2	0.3	11	1.8	● ○		



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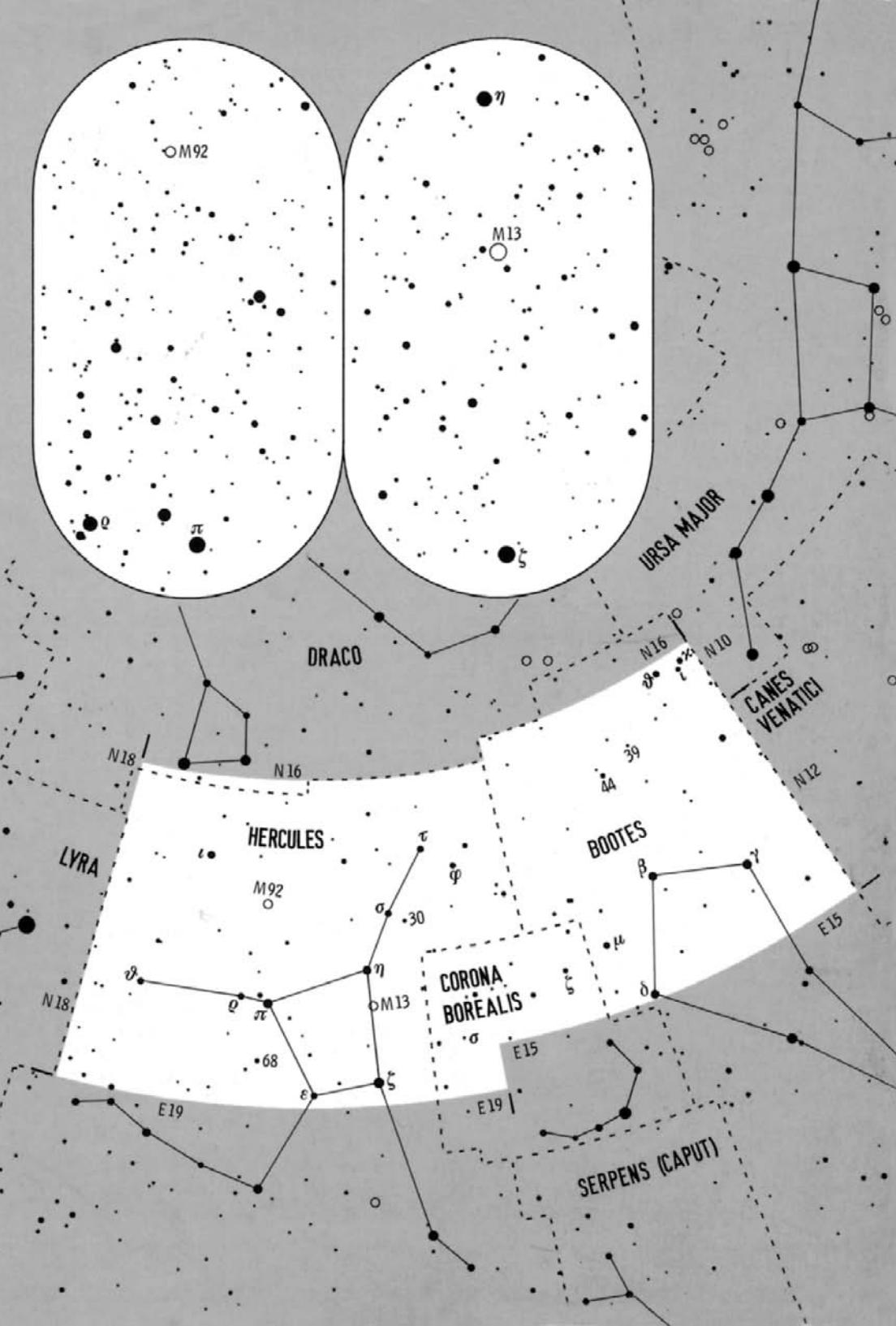
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6205 M13	Her	6	12/□'	15'	○ V	GC	25 000 ly	16 <sup>h</sup> 41 <sup>m</sup> .7	36. <sup>46</sup>
6341 M92	Her	6½	11	8	○ IV	GC	28 000	17 17.1	43.14

6205 M13 **Hercules Cluster**, bright nebula in binoculars, outer portion is well resolved in a telescope at high power, core is partially resolved.  
 6341 M92 Similar to M13, some outer stars resolved in a telescope, oval halo.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
17 $\kappa$ Boo	■ •	4.4	★	0.2	↓	A 8	1 <sup>M</sup>	Sep. 36'	•	165 ly
21 $\iota$ Boo	■ •	4.7	★	0.2	↓	A 9	2	{ }	•	98
23 $\vartheta$ Boo	■ •	4.0		0.5	↓	F 7	3	.....	•	48
27 $\gamma$ Boo	■ •	3.0		0.2	↓	A 7	1	..	Ceginus .	86
39 Boo	■ •	5.7	★	0.5	↓	F 6	1	.....	•	230
42 $\beta$ Boo	■ •	3.5		1.0	↓	G 8	-1	.	Nekkar .	220
44 i Boo	■ •	4.7–4.9*		0.6	↓	G 0	4	.....	•	42
49 $\delta$ Boo	■ •	3.4	★	0.9	↓	G 8	1	.....	•	118
51 $\mu$ Boo	■ •	4.2	★	0.3	↓	F 1	1	..	Alkalurops .	120
7 $\zeta$ CrB	■ •	4.6	★	-1	↓	B 7	-1	.....	•	450
11 $\varphi$ Her	■ •	4.2		-1	↓	B 9	0	.....	•	230
17 $\sigma$ CrB	■ •	5.2	★	0.6	↓	F 8	4	.....	•	71
22 $\tau$ Her	■ •	3.9		-1	↓	B 5	-1	.....	•	320
30 g Her	■ •	4.5–5.2		1.4	↓	M 6	-1	.....	•	360
35 $\sigma$ Her	■ •	4.2		0.0	↓	B 9	-1	.....	•	300
40 $\zeta$ Her	■ •	2.8		0.7	↓	F 9	3	.....	•	35
44 $\eta$ Her	■ •	3.5		0.9	↓	G 8	1	.....	•	112
58 $\varepsilon$ Her	■ •	3.9		0.0	↓	A 0	0	.....	•	165
67 $\pi$ Her	■ •	3.2		1.4	↓	K 3	-2	.....	•	360
68 u Her	■ •	4.8–5.5		-1	↓	B 1	-2	.....	•	900
75 $\varrho$ Her	■ •	4.1	★	0.0	↓	B 9	-1	.....	•	400
85 $\iota$ Her	■ •	3.8		-2	↓	B 3	-2	.....	•	500
91 $\vartheta$ Her	■ •	3.9		1.4	↓	K 1	-3	.....	•	600

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
17 $\kappa$ Boo	■ •	4.5	6.6	0.2	0.4	↓↓	13''.6 ••
21 $\iota$ Boo	■ •	4.8	8.1	0.2	0.8	↓↓	38.8 ••
39 Boo	■ •	6.2	6.6	0.5	0.5	↓↓	2.7 ••
44 i Boo	■ •	5.1	6–7	0.6	0.7	↓↓'5	2.3 ••
					2000		2012 2.3 ••
					2025	•	2020 1.8 ••
49 $\delta$ Boo	■ •	3.5	7.8	1.0	0.6	↓↓	104.9 ••
51 $\mu$ Boo	■ •	4.3	6.5*	0.3	0.6	↓↓	108.8 ••
					7.0	7.6	0.6 0.6 ↓↓ 2.1 ••
7 $\zeta$ CrB	■ •	5.0	6.0	-1	-1	↓↓	6.3 ••
17 $\sigma$ CrB	■ •	5.6	6.6	0.6	0.6	↓↓	7.2 ••
75 $\varrho$ Her	■ •	4.5	5.5	0.0	0.0	↓↓	4.1 ••

VARIABLE STAR
44 i Boo
Period 0.267819 d
Min. 2454000.22
Binary star mag.
5.1 and 6.0–6.6.
30 g Her
• semireg.
Period 70–90 d
Extrema 4.3–6.3
68 u Her
Period 2.05107 d
Min. 2454000.5
Eclipse ≈ 10 hours



# N16

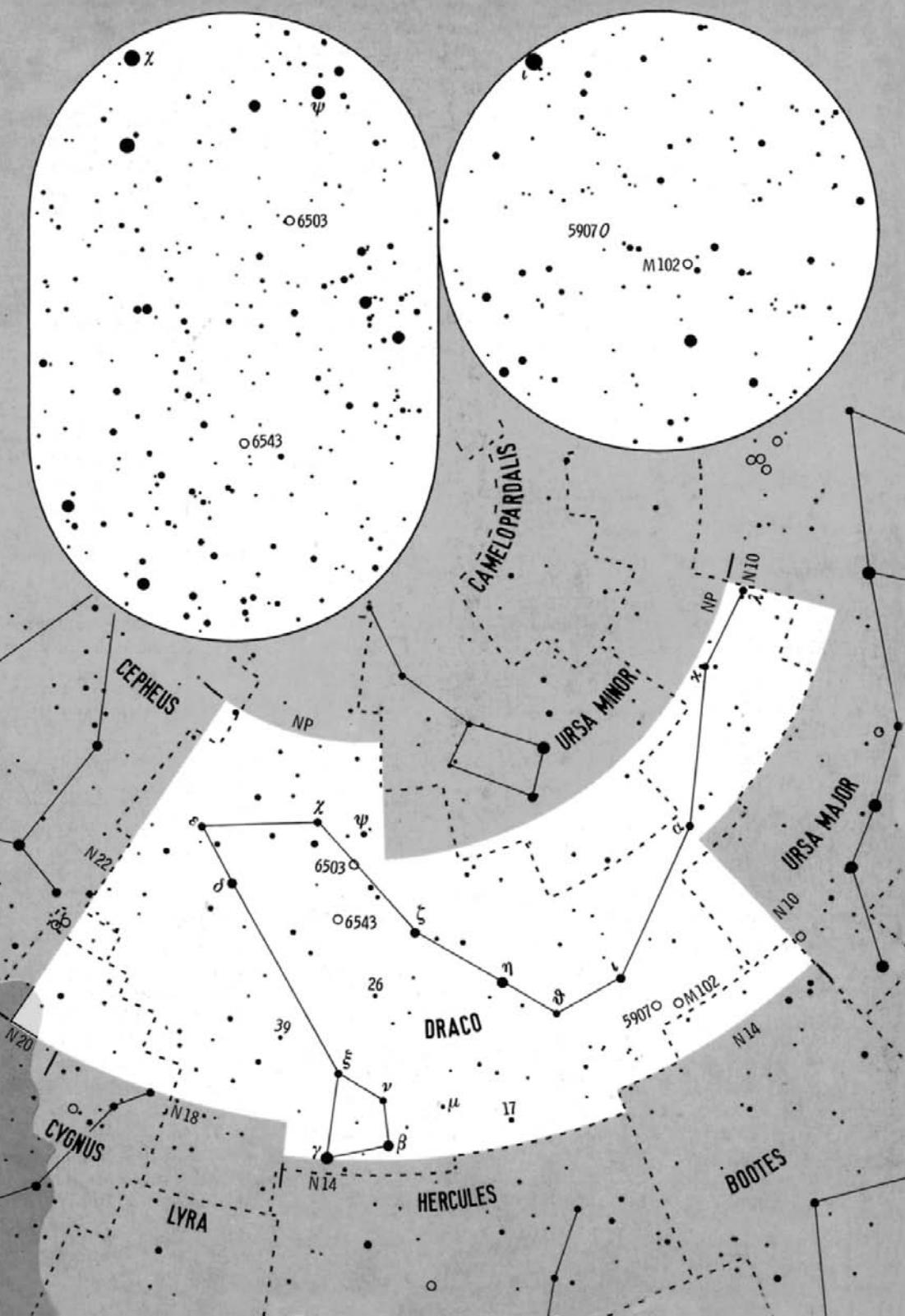
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NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
5866 M 102 Dra	□	10½	11/□'	3'	○ S0 Glx	●	40 Mly	15 <sup>h</sup> 06 <sup>m</sup> .5	55°76
5907 .....	Dra	□	10½	13	Sc Glx	○	40 M	15 15.9	56.33
6503 .....	Dra	□	10½	11	Sd Glx	●	16 M	17 49.5	70.14
6543 .....	Dra	□	8	6	○ D PN	○	5 000	17 58.6	66.63

- 5866 M 102 Appears as an elliptic nebula (see also comment at bottom right).  
 5907 .....
- Difficult to see because of faintness, but distinct edge-on shape.
- 6503 .....
- Elongated, nearly edge-on, northernmost nebula in this catalog.
- 6543 .....
- Relatively easily visible, stellar in binoculars, blue-green oval in a telescope at high power, 10' northwest of the ecliptic's north pole.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
1 $\lambda$ Dra	□	• 3.8	1.6	+	M0	-1 <sup>M</sup>	Giauzar	.	330 ly	11 <sup>h</sup> 31 <sup>m</sup> .4	69.33
5 $\kappa$ Dra	□	• 3.9	- .1	↓	B 6	-2	.	520	12 33.5	69.79	
11 $\alpha$ Dra	□	• 3.7	0.0	↓	A 0	-1	.	310	14 04.4	64.38	
12 $\iota$ Dra	○	• 3.3	1.2	↓	K 2	1	.	102	15 24.9	58.97	
13 $\vartheta$ Dra	□	• 4.0	0.5	↓	F 8	2	.	68	16 01.9	58.57	
14 $\eta$ Dra	□	• 2.7	0.9	↓	G 8	1	.	88	16 24.0	61.51	
17,16 Dra	□	• 4.5	* 0.0	↓	B 9	-1	.	400	16 36.2	52.91	
21 $\mu$ Dra	□	• 4.9	* 0.5	↓	F 5	3	.	88	17 05.3	54.47	
22 $\zeta$ Dra	□	• 3.2	- .1	↓	B 6	-2	.	340	17 08.8	65.71	
23 $\beta$ Dra	□	• 2.8	1.0	↓	G 2	-3	.	370	17 30.4	52.30	
25 $\nu$ Dra	□	• 4.1	* 0.3	↓	A 5	2	25 and 24 Dra	100	17 32.2	55.18	
26 Dra	□	• 5.2	* 0.6	↓	G 1	4	.	46	17 35.0	61.87	
31 $\psi$ Dra	○	• 4.3	* 0.5	↓	F 5	3	.	72	17 41.9	72.15	
32 $\xi$ Dra	□	• 3.7	1.2	↓	K 2	1	.	112	17 53.5	56.87	
33 $\gamma$ Dra	□	• 2.2	1.5	↓	K 5	-1	.	150	17 56.6	51.49	
44 $\chi$ Dra	○	• 3.6	0.5	↓	F 7	4	.	26.3	18 21.1	72.73	
39 Dra	□	• 4.9	* 0.1	↓	A 3	1	.	190	18 23.9	58.80	
57 $\delta$ Dra	□	• 3.1	1.0	↓	G 9	1	.	100	19 12.6	67.66	
63 $\varepsilon$ Dra	□	• 3.8	* 0.9	↓	G 8	1	.	145	19 48.2	70.27	

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	Comment on M102
17,16 Dra	□	• 5.1*	5.5	0.0	- .1		90.2'	● □
17 Dra			5.4	6.4	0.0	0.1		3.2 ● □
21 $\mu$ Dra	□	• 5.6	5.7	0.5	0.5	'	2.3	● □
							2020	2.5 ● □
25 $\nu$ Dra	□	• 4.9	4.9	0.3	0.3		62.0	● □
26 Dra	□	• 5.3	8.0	0.6	1.0	'	1.5	● □
							2000	2012 0.9 ● □
							2025	2020 0.4 ● □
31 $\psi$ Dra	○	• 4.6	5.8	0.4	0.5		30.1	● □
39 Dra	□	• 5.0*	7.9	0.1	0.5		88.9	● □
							5.1	7.8 0.1 0.4    3.8 ● □
63 $\varepsilon$ Dra	□	• 3.9	6.9	0.9	0.6		3.2	● □



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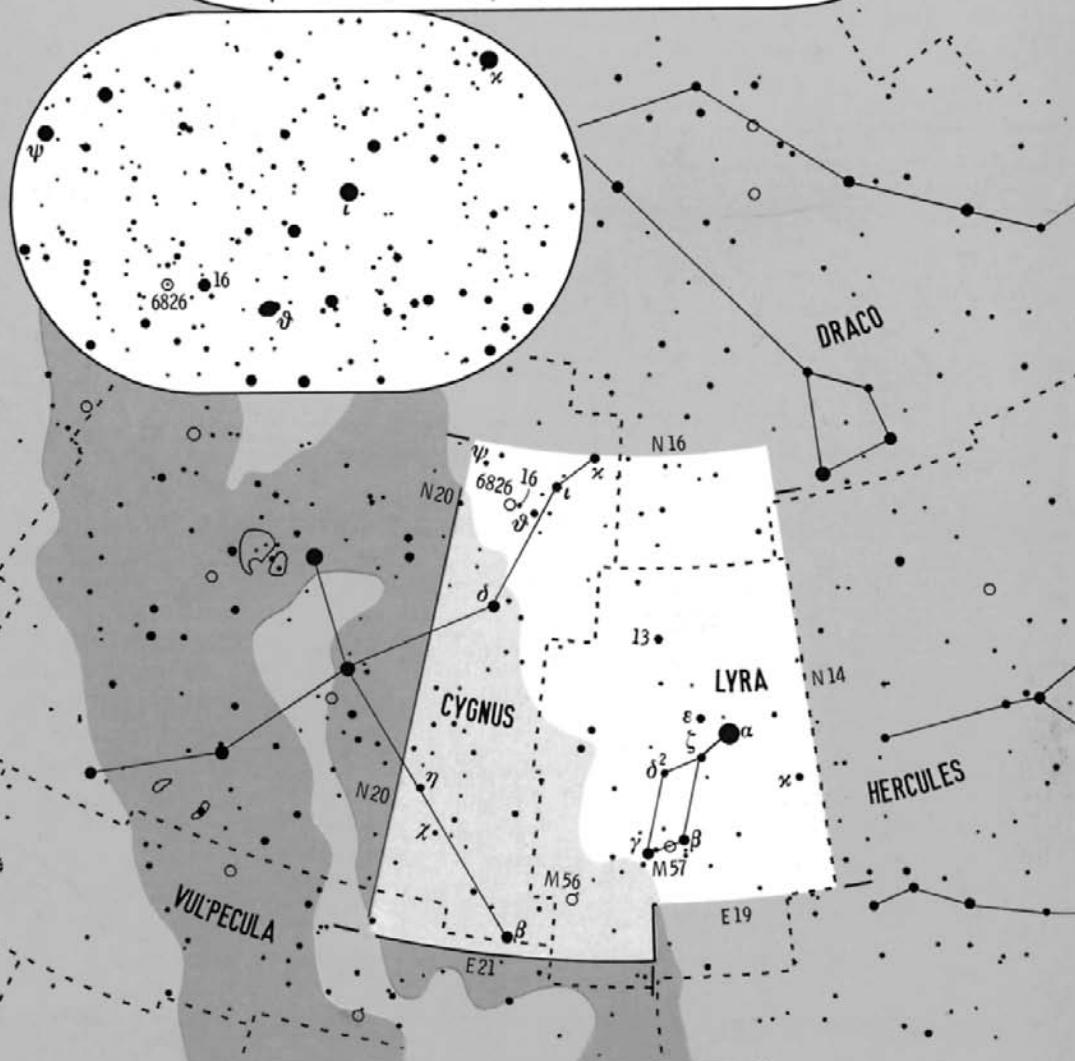
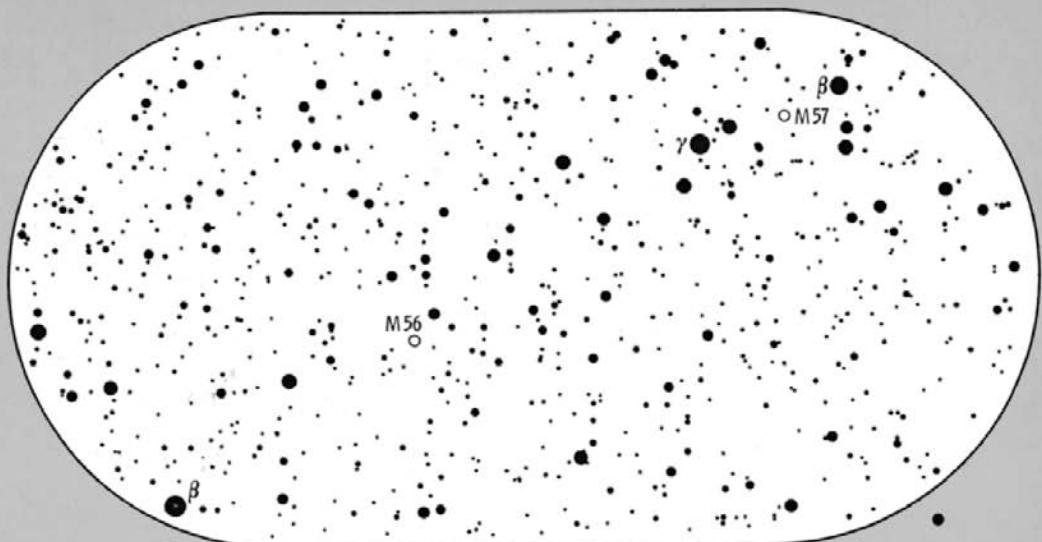
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6720 M57	Lyr	8½	9/□'	1'.5	○ R	PN	1800 ly	18 <sup>b</sup> 53. <sup>m</sup> 6	33.03
6779 M56	Lyr	8½	12	5	○ X	GC	32000	19 16.6	30.18
6826 .....	Cyg	8½	7	0.5	○ D	PN	4000	19 44.8	50.52

- 6720 M57 **Ring Nebula**, the most famous planetary nebula, easy to find, looks almost like a star in binoculars, shows a disk in a telescope at low power and a nice oval ring at high power, takes high power well, central region not black; a nebula filter improves the contrast.
- 6779 M56 Dim globular cluster, hard to resolve into stars, rich background.
- 6826 .....
- Blinking Planetary**, stellar in binoculars, a disk in a telescope at high power; averted vision shows the nebula well, which disappears with direct vision as the mag. 10.4 central star becomes visible.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
1 κ Lyr	■	• 4.3	1.2	↓	K 2	0 <sup>M</sup>	.....	240 ly	18 <sup>b</sup> 19.9 <sup>m</sup>	36.06	
3 α Lyr	■	● 0.0	0.0	↓	A 0	1	..	Vega	25.3	18 36.9	
5,4 ε Lyr	■	• 3.9	✳ 0.2	↓	A 8	0	Double	Double	160	18 44.4	
6,7 ζ Lyr	■	• 4.1	✳ 0.2	↓	A 4	1	.....	.....	155	18 44.8	
10 β Lyr	○	• 3.3–4.2*	✳ 0.0	↓	B 7	–4	.	Sheliak	800	18 50.1	
12 δ <sup>2</sup> Lyr	■	• 4.2	1.5	↑	M 4	–3	.....	.....	900	18 54.5	
13	Lyr	■	• 4.0–4.3	1.5	↑	M 5	–1	.	R Lyrae	350	18 55.3
14 γ Lyr	○	• 3.2	0.0	↓	B 9	–3	.	Sulaphat	700	18 58.9	
1 κ Cyg	❀	• 3.8	0.9	↓	K 0	1	.....	.....	122	19 17.1	
10 ι Cyg	❀	• 3.8	0.1	↓	A 5	1	.....	.....	123	19 29.7	
6 β Cyg	○	• 2.9	✳ 0.9	↓	G 8	–3	.	Albireo	390	19 30.7	
13 θ Cyg	■	• 4.3	✳ 0.5	↓	F 4	0	.....	.....	61,600	19 36.4	
16	Cyg	○	• 5.4	✳ 0.6	↓	G 3	4	.....	.....	70	19 41.8
18 δ Cyg	■	• 2.9	✳ 0.0	↓	A 0	–1	.....	.....	170	19 45.0	
χ Cyg	■	• 6.0–12	1.9	↑	K 0	1	.....	.....	340	19 50.6	
24 ψ Cyg	❀	• 4.9	✳ 0.1	↓	A 4	0	.....	.....	290	19 55.6	
21 η Cyg	■	• 3.9	1.0	↓	K 0	1	.....	.....	140	19 56.3	
										35.08	

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
5,4 ε Lyr	■	• 4.6*	4.7*	0.2	0.2	11	209°'0
5 ε <sup>2</sup> Lyr	■	5.2	5.5	0.2	0.2	11	2.4
4 ε <sup>1</sup> Lyr		5.0	6.1	0.1	0.3	11'5	2.4
						2020	2.3
6,7 ζ Lyr	■	• 4.3	5.7	0.2	0.3	11	43.7
10 β Lyr	○	• 3–4	7.2	0.0	–1	11	45.7
6 β Cyg	○	• 3.1	5.1	1.1	–1	11	34.5
13 θ Cyg	○	• 4.5	6.5	0.4	1.0	11	300
16 Cyg	○	• 6.0	6.2	0.6	0.7	11	39.7
18 δ Cyg	■	• 2.9	6.5	0.0	0.3	11'5	2.6
						2020	2.8
24 ψ Cyg	❀	• 5.0	7.4	0.1	0.3	11	3.0

VARIABLE	STAR
10 β Lyr	■ •
Period	12.94 d
Min.	2454011
2nd min. mag.	3.8
13 R Lyr	■ • semireg.
Period	≈ 46 d
Extrema	3.9–5.0
χ Cyg	■ •
Period	407 d
Max.	2454368
Min. Max.	+240
Extrema	3.3–14.2



# N20

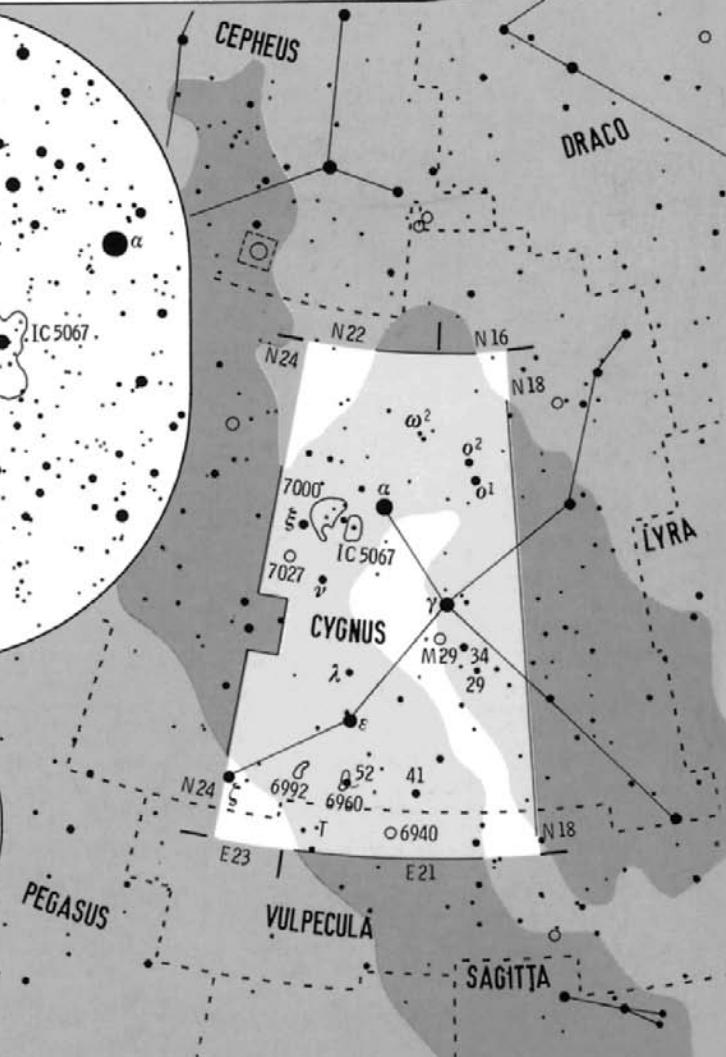
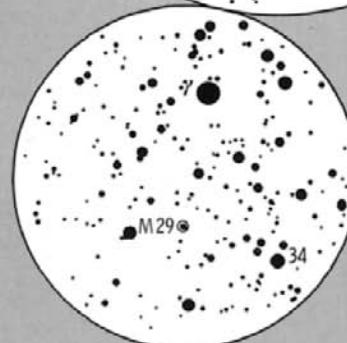
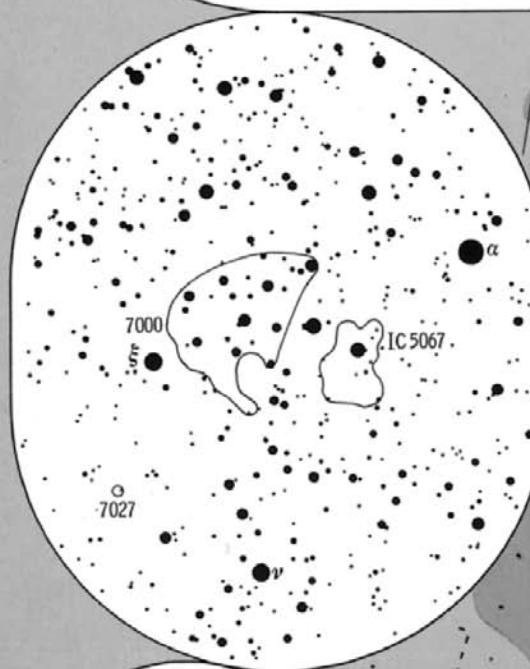
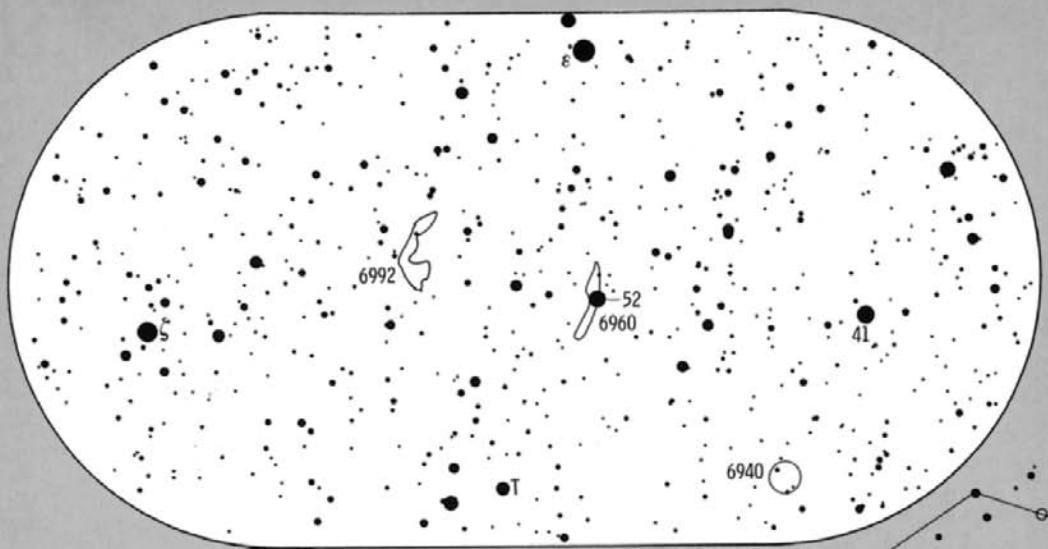
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NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6913 M 29	Cyg	7	11/□'	6'	○ p n	OC	⊕ ⊕	4000 ly	20 <sup>h</sup> 23 <sup>m</sup> .9 38. <sup>50</sup>
6940 .....	Vul	6½	13	25	○ m	OC	⊕ ⊕ ⊕	2500	20 34.6 28.27
6960 .....	Cyg	9	14	60	Fi	DN	⊕ ⊕	1500	20 46.0 30.70
IC 5067 .....	Cyg	7	14	60	○ Em	DN	⊕ ⊕	2500	20 50.7 44.25
6992 .....	Cyg	7½	14	60	Fi	DN	⊕ ⊕	1500	20 56.6 31.40
7000 .....	Cyg	5	14	120	○ Em	DN	⊕ ⊕	2500	20 58.8 44.30
7027 .....	Cyg	8½	5	0.3	○ A	PN	⊕	3500	21 07.0 42.24

6913 M 29	Contains only a few bright stars in a rich field, needs low power.
6940 .....	Large nebulous patch in binoculars, nicely resolved in a telescope.
6960 .....	<b>Veil Nebula, Cirrus Nebula, Filamentary Nebula</b> , dim filaments on both sides of the foreground star 52 Cygni, see NGC 6992.
IC 5067 .....	<b>Pelican Nebula</b> , invisible except at lowest power, detail is only visible through a nebula filter, a tough test object for very dark sky.
6992 .....	<b>Veil Nebula, Cirrus Nebula, Network Nebula</b> , supernova remnant, slightly easier than NGC 6960, dark sky and low power essential, impressive filaments through a nebula filter (NGC 6992–6995).
7000 .....	<b>North America Nebula</b> , may be visible by unaided eye, almost too large for a telescope, nebula filter recommended, region of highest contrast is “Mexico”; the northern part merges into the Milky Way.
7027 .....	Relatively easily visible as a star, but only at high power as a disk.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
31 $\alpha^1$ Cyg	■	●	3.4	*	0.7	↓	K 0 –5 <sup>M</sup>	31,30 Cyg	1400,750 ly	20 <sup>h</sup> 13 <sup>m</sup> .6 46. <sup>76</sup>	
29 Cyg	■	●	4.7	*	0.3	↓	A 7 –3	.....	135,2000	20 14.6 36.80	
32 $\sigma^2$ Cyg	■	●	4.0		1.5	↓	K 3 –4	.....	1000	20 15.5 47.71	
34 Cyg	■	●	4.7–4.9		0.4	↓	B 2 –7	.	P Cygni	5 000	20 17.8 38.03
37 $\gamma$ Cyg	■	●	2.2		0.7	↓	F 8 –6	.	Sadr	.. 1400	20 22.2 40.26
41 Cyg	■	●	4.0		0.4	↓	F 5 –3	.....	750	20 29.4 30.37	
46 $\omega^2$ Cyg	■	●	5.1	*	1.0	↓	K 2 –1	.....	430	20 31.2 49.22	
50 $\alpha$ Cyg	■	●	1.3		0.1	↓	A 2 –8	.	Deneb	.. 2000	20 41.4 45.28
52 Cyg	○	●	4.2		1.0	↓	K 0 0	near NGC 6960	205	20 45.7 30.72	
53 $\varepsilon$ Cyg	■	●	2.5		1.0	↓	K 0 1	.....	72	20 46.2 33.97	
54 $\lambda$ Cyg	■	●	4.5	*	-1	↓	B 6 –3	.....	900	20 47.4 36.49	
T Vul	■	●	5.4–6.1		0.7	↓	F 5 –4	.....	2000	20 51.5 28.25	
58 $\nu$ Cyg	■	●	3.9		0.0	↓	A 1 –1	.....	350	20 57.2 41.17	
62 $\xi$ Cyg	■	●	3.7		1.6	↓	K 5 –4	.....	1200	21 04.9 43.93	
64 $\zeta$ Cyg	■	●	3.2		1.0	↓	G 8 0	.....	150	21 12.9 30.23	

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR		
31 $\alpha^1$ Cyg	■	●	3.8	4.8	1.2	0.1	↓↓	336"	●	⊕ ⊕
			"	7.0	"	-.1	↓	106.9	●	⊕ ⊕
29 Cyg	■	●	4.9	6.6	0.1	1.3	↓↓	216	●	⊕ ⊕
46 $\omega^2$ Cyg	■	●	5.4	6.6	1.6	0.0	↓↓	256.9	●●	⊕ ⊕
54 $\lambda$ Cyg	■	●	4.8	6.1	-.2	0.2	↓↓	0.9	●	⊕
34 P Cyg	■	●	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
								• irregular		
								Extrema	3.0–6.0	
T Vul	■	●	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Period	4.4355 d	
								Max.	2454000.3	



# N22 Northern Sky Summer–Fall Constellations

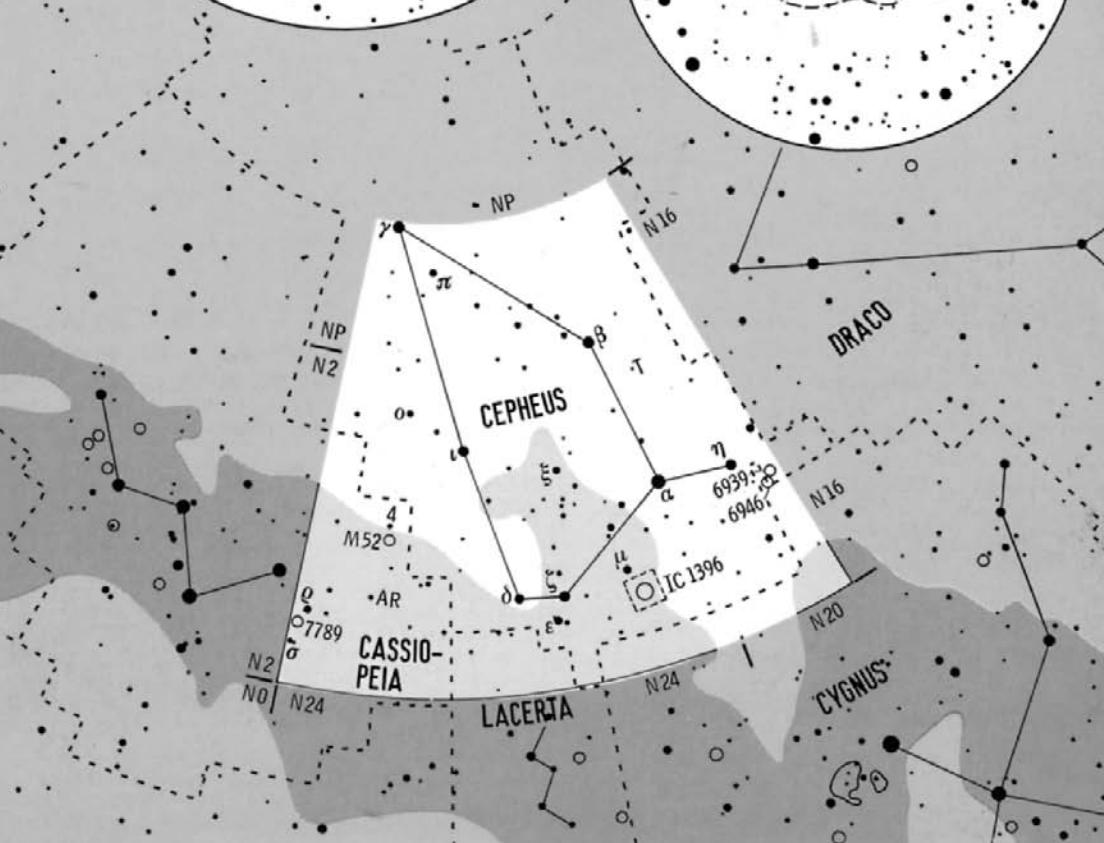
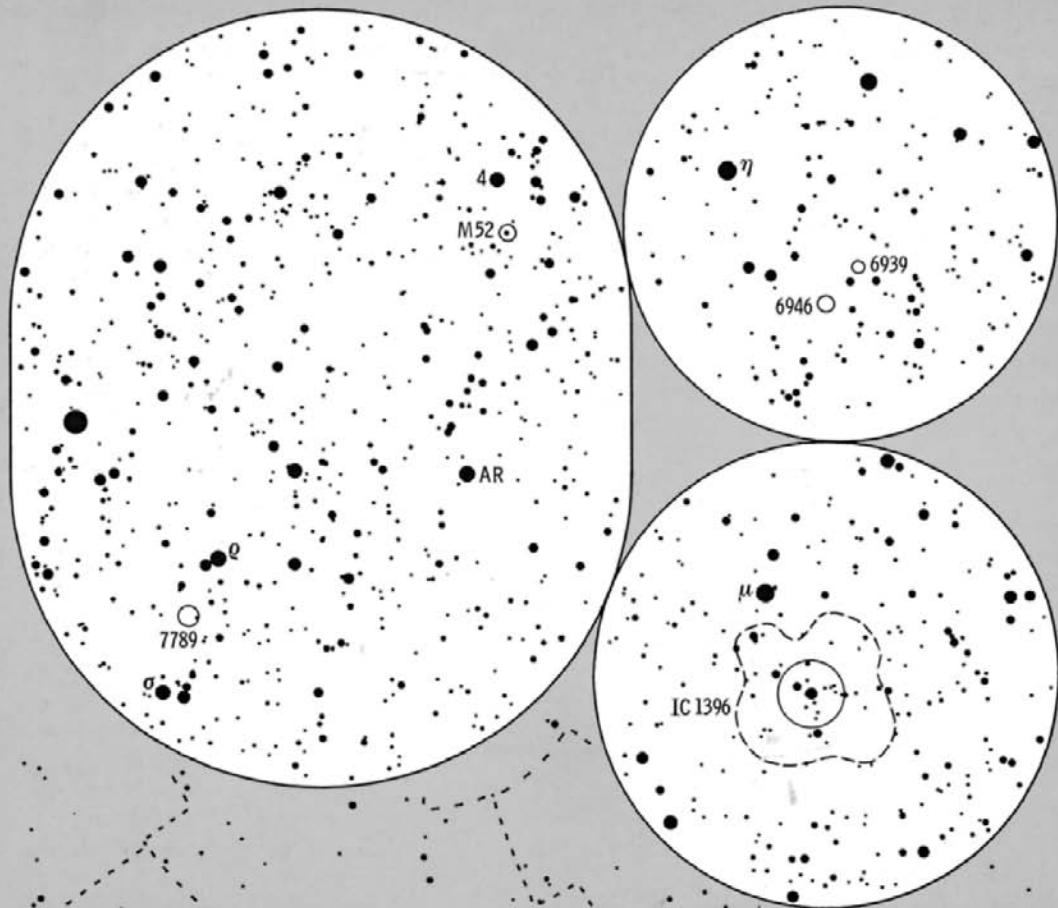
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6939 .....	Cep	8	13/□'	10'	○ m	OC	4000 ly	20 <sup>h</sup> 31 <sup>m</sup> .5	60. <sup>65</sup>
6946 .....	Cep	9	14	10	○ Sd	Glx	20 M	20 34.9	60.15
IC 1396 ...	Cep	4	12	50	○ m n	OC	3000	21 39.1	57.50
7654 M 52	Cas	7	12	12	○ r	OC	5000	23 24.5	61.60
7789 .....	Cas	7	13	15	○ r	OC	7000	23 57.4	56.72

- 6939 ..... Faint open cluster, nebulous glow, very hard to resolve into stars.  
 6946 ..... Difficult object, a galaxy without a central core or other features.  
 IC 1396 ... Sparse, inconspicuous in a telescope, better in binoculars or a finder; surrounding diffuse nebula (dashed) visible through a nebula filter.  
 7654 M 52 Nebulous glow in binoculars, many faint stars resolved in a telescope.  
 7789 ..... Tremendous number of stars for an open cluster, only resolved in a telescope, but the background still remains irregularly nebulous.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
3 $\eta$ Cep	○	• 3.4	0.9	↓	K0	3 <sup>M</sup>	.....	47ly	20 <sup>h</sup> 45 <sup>m</sup> .3	61. <sup>84</sup>
T Cep	○	• 5.6–10	1.3	↓	M5	–1	.....	700	21 09.5	68.49
5 $\alpha$ Cep	○	• 2.5	0.3	↓	A 7	2	Alderamin	49	21 18.6	62.59
8 $\beta$ Cep	○	• 3.2 *	–2	↓	B 2	–3	.. Alfirk ..	600	21 28.7	70.56
$\mu$ Cep	○	• 3.9–4.5	2.3	•	M 2	–6	(giant star)	3000	21 43.5	58.78
17 $\xi$ Cep	○	• 4.3 *	0.4	↓	A 5	2	.....	100	22 03.8	64.63
21 $\zeta$ Cep	○	• 3.4	1.6	↓	K 1	–4	.....	800	22 10.9	58.20
23 $\varepsilon$ Cep	○	• 4.2	0.3	↓	F 0	2	.....	84	22 15.0	57.04
27 $\delta$ Cep	○	• 3.4–4.2*	0.5	↓	G 0	–4	.....	1000	22 29.2	58.42
32 $\iota$ Cep	○	• 3.5	1.0	↓	K 0	1	.....	116	22 49.7	66.20
33 $\pi$ Cep	○	• 4.4 *	0.8	↓	G 2	0	.....	225	23 07.9	75.39
34 $o$ Cep	○	• 4.7 *	0.8	↓	G 9	1	.....	210	23 18.6	68.11
4 Cas	○	• 4.9 *	1.7	↑	M 1	–2	.....	750	23 24.8	62.28
AR Cas	○	• 4.8 *	–1	↓	B 4	–2	.....	600	23 30.0	58.55
35 $\gamma$ Cep	○	• 3.2	1.0	↓	K 1	3	.. Errai ..	45	23 39.3	77.63
7 $\varrho$ Cas	○	• 4.4–4.6	1.2	↓	G 0	–8	.....	6000	23 54.4	57.50
8 $\sigma$ Cas	○	• 4.9 *	–1	↓	B 1	–4	.....	1500	23 59.0	55.76

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
8 $\beta$ Cep	○	• 3.2	7.9	–2	0.1	11	13. <sup>3</sup> • ○
17 $\xi$ Cep	○	• 4.4	6.5	0.3	0.5	11. <sup>5</sup>	8.0 • ○
						2020	8.1 • ○
27 $\delta$ Cep	○	• 4	6.3	0.6	0.0	11	40.7 • ○
33 $\pi$ Cep	○	• 4.5	6.8	0.8	0.5	11. <sup>5</sup>	1.1 • ○
						2020	1.2 • ○
34 $o$ Cep	○	• 4.9	7.1	0.8	0.5	11. <sup>5</sup>	3.3 • ○
						2020	3.4 • ○
4 Cas	○	• 5.0	7.6	1.7	1.4	11	95.7 • ○
AR Cas	○	• 4.9	7.0	–1	0.0	11	75.6 • ○
8 $\sigma$ Cas	○	• 5.0	7.2	–1	–1	11	3.2 • ○

VARIABLE	STAR
T Cep	□ •
	Period 400 d
	Max. 2454060
27 $\delta$ Cep	Extrema 5.2–11.2
$\mu$ Cep	Extrema 3.4–5.1
27 $\delta$ Cep	Period 5.3663 d
	Max. 2454004.2
7 $\varrho$ Cas	Extrema 4.1–6.2



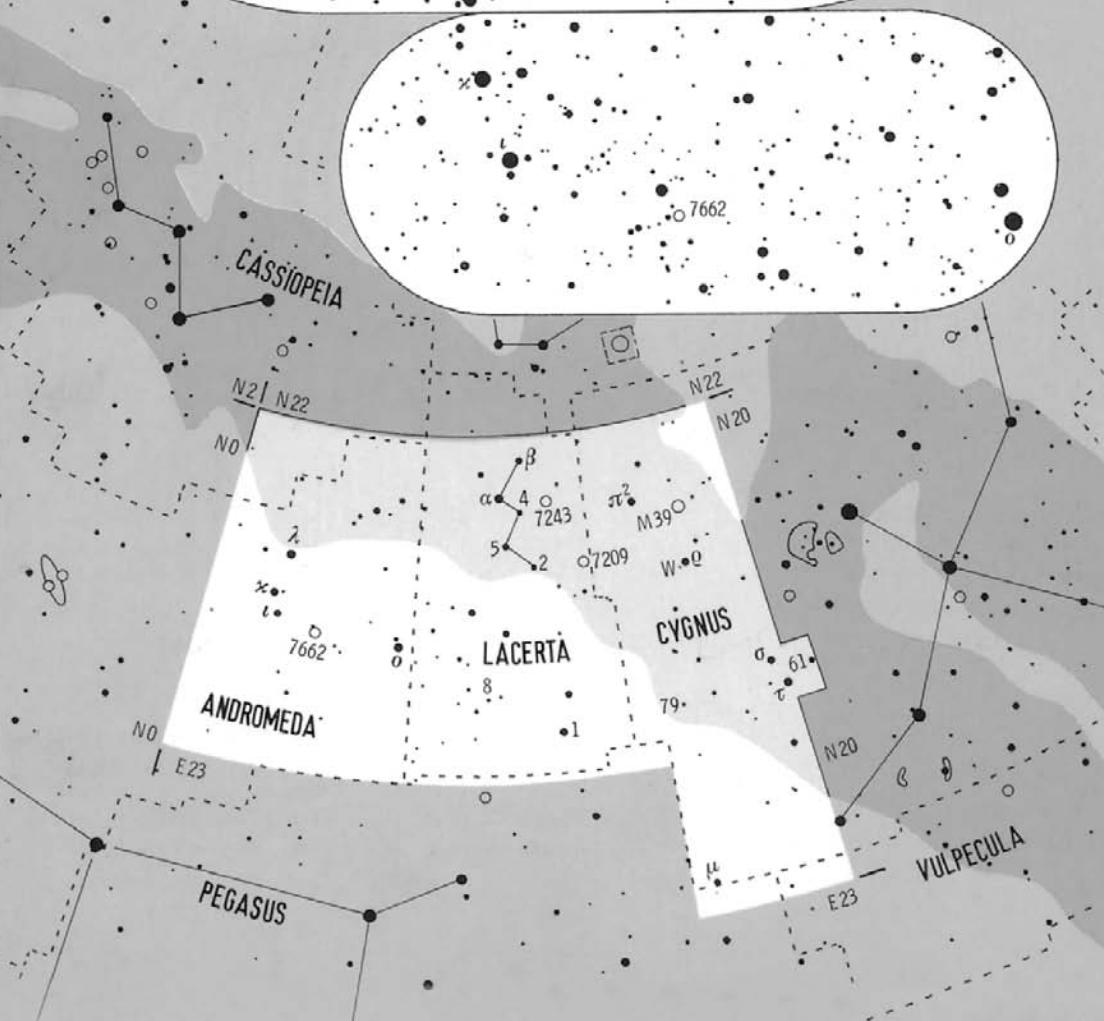
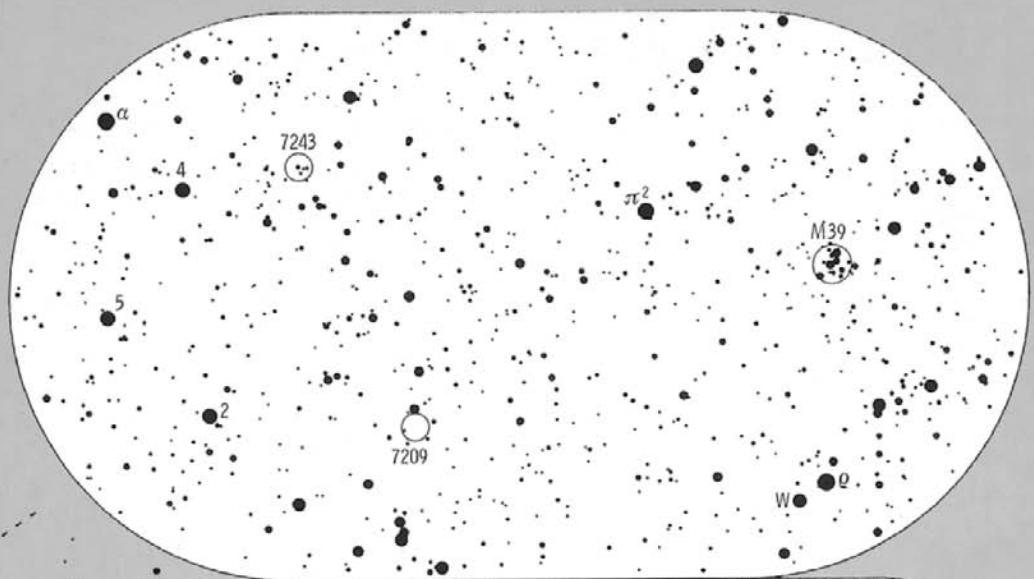
# N24 Northern Sky Fall Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
7092 M39	Cyg	5	12/□'	30'	○ p	OC	1000 ly	21 <sup>h</sup> 32 <sup>m</sup> .1	48°.43
7209 .....	Lac	7	13	20	○ m	OC	3000	22 05.2	46.50
7243 .....	Lac	6½	13	20	○ p	OC	3000	22 15.3	49.88
7662 .....	And	8½	7	0.5	○ R	PN	5000	23 25.9	42.54

- 7092 M39 Consists of a few bright stars which are well resolved in binoculars or in a finder, rather disappointing view in a telescope, triangular.  
 7209 .....
- Binoculars show few stars within a nebulous background, which resolves into a number of stars in a telescope, interesting patterns.
- 7243 .....
- Partially resolved in binoculars, irregular shape; the main part consists of four groups of stars arranged nicely along a semicircle.
- 7662 .....
- Blue Snowball**, visible in binoculars as a star; a telescope at high power reveals a disk or a ring with a non-black center; the brightest section is at the northeast edge; the color is distinctly blue-green.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
61	Cyg	4.8	•	1.1	•	K5	7 <sup>m</sup> Piazzi's Flying Star	11.4 ly	21 <sup>h</sup> 06 <sup>m</sup> .9	38°.75
65	τ Cyg	3.7	•	0.4	•	F 1	2	68	21 14.8	38.05
67	σ Cyg	4.2	•	0.1	•	B 9	-7	4000	21 17.4	39.39
73	ρ Cyg	4.0	•	0.9	•	G 8	1	125	21 34.0	45.59
	W Cyg	5.4–6.2	•	1.5	•	M 4	-1	600	21 36.0	45.37
79	Cyg	5.4	•	0.0	•	A 0	1	270,370	21 43.5	38.29
78	μ Cyg	4.4	•	0.5	•	F 7	2	73,250	21 44.2	28.75
81	π <sup>2</sup> Cyg	4.2	•	-1	•	B 3	-4	1100	21 46.8	49.31
1	Lac	4.1	•	1.5	•	K 3	-2	650	22 16.0	37.75
2	Lac	4.6	•	-1	•	B 6	-1	500	22 21.0	46.54
3	β Lac	4.4	•	1.0	•	G 9	1	170	22 23.6	52.23
4	Lac	4.6	•	0.1	•	B 9	-6	3000	22 24.5	49.48
5	Lac	4.3	•	1.7	•	M 0	-3	1100	22 29.5	47.71
7	α Lac	3.8	•	0.0	•	A 1	1	103	22 31.3	50.28
8	Lac	5.3	•	-2	•	B 2	-2	1000	22 35.9	39.63
1	ο And	3.6	•	-1	•	B 6	-3	700	23 01.9	42.33
16	λ And	3.7–4.0	•	1.0	•	G 8	2	83	23 37.6	46.46
17	ι And	4.3	•	-1	•	B 8	-2	480	23 38.1	43.27
19	κ And	4.1	•	-1	•	B 9	0	175	23 40.4	44.33

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR		
61	Cyg	5.2	6.0	1.1	1.3	•'5 32"3	•	W Cyg	semireg.	
						2020 33.5	•		Period	≈ 130 d
79	Cyg	5.7	7.0	0.0	0.1	•"150	•	16 λ And	semireg.	
78	μ Cyg	4.5*	6.9	0.5	0.4	•"198	•		Period	54–56 d
2025 ← 2000		4.8	6.2	0.5	0.6	•"5 1.6	•	Piazzi's Flying Star		
						2012 1.4	•			
						2020 1.2	•			
8	Lac	5.7	6.5	-2	-1	•"22.4	•			



# E0 Equator, Ecliptic Fall Constellations

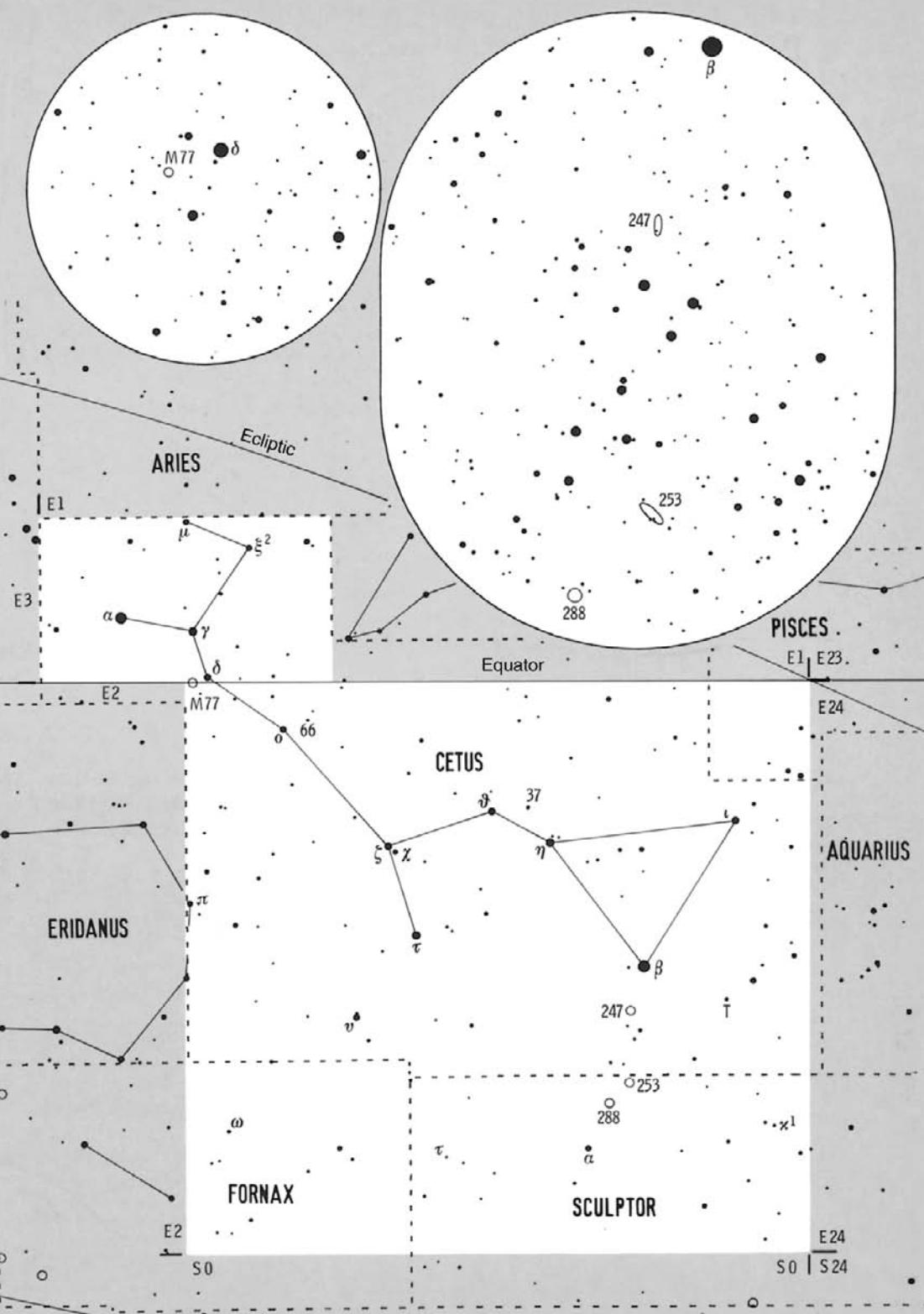
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
247 .....	Cet	9	14/□'	18'	I Sd	Glx	9 Mly	0 <sup>h</sup> 47 <sup>m</sup> .1	-20°76
253 .....	Scl	7½	13	25	I Sc	Glx	9 M	0 47.6	-25.29
288 .....	Scl	8½	13	10	O X	GC	30000	0 52.8	-26.59
1068 M77	Cet	9	11	3	O Sb	Glx	60 M	2 42.7	-0.01

- 247 .....
- 253 .....
- 288 .....
- 1068 M77
- Large featureless galaxy, low power essential, a difficult object.  
**Sculptor Galaxy**, fantastic galaxy, elongated glow in binoculars, dust features become visible in a telescope; its core is small and oval.  
 Hard object among globular clusters; a telescope resolves a few stars.  
 Bright small Seyfert galaxy, active nucleus distinct at high power; the bright nucleus makes M77 appear almost stellar in binoculars.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
κ¹ Scl	■ .	5.4	★	0.4	↓	F 3	1 <sup>M</sup>	220 ly	0 <sup>h</sup> 09 <sup>m</sup> .4	-27°99	
8 ι Cet	■ .	3.6		1.2	↓	K2 -1		280	0 19.4	-8.82	
T Cet	■ .	5.3-6.1		1.7	↓	M5 -2		750	0 21.8	-20.06	
16 β Cet	■ ●	2.0		1.0	↓	K0 0	Deneb Kaitos,	96	0 43.6	-17.99	
α Scl	■ .	4.3		-1	↓	B7 -2	[Diphda]	600	0 58.6	-29.36	
31 η Cet	■ .	3.5		1.2	↓	K2 1		120	1 08.6	-10.18	
37 Cet	■ .	5.0	★	0.5	↓	F 5 3		80	1 14.4	-7.92	
45 ϑ Cet	■ .	3.6		1.1	↓	K0 1		115	1 24.0	-8.18	
τ Scl	■ .	5.7	★	0.3	↓	F 2 2		200	1 36.1	-29.91	
52 τ Cet	■ .	3.5		0.7	↓	G 8 6		11.9	1 44.1	-15.94	
53 χ Cet	■ .	4.5	★	0.4	↓	F 3 3		78	1 49.6	-10.69	
55 ζ Cet	■ .	3.7		1.1	↓	K2 -1	Baten Kaitos	270	1 51.5	-10.33	
59 ν Cet	■ .	4.0		1.6	↓	M0 -1		300	2 00.0	-21.08	
66 Cet	■ .	5.5	★	0.6	↓	F 9 2		150	2 12.8	-2.39	
68 o Cet	■ .	3.4-9.2		1.4	↓	M7 -2	.. Mira ..	400	2 19.3	-2.98	
73 ε² Cet	■ .	4.3		-1	↓	B 9 1		180	2 28.2	8.46	
ω For	■ .	4.9	★	0.0	↓	B 9 -1		440	2 33.8	-28.23	
82 δ Cet	■ .	4.1		-2	↓	B 2 -3		700	2 39.5	0.33	
86 γ Cet	■ .	3.5	★	0.1	↓	A 3 1		82	2 43.3	3.24	
89 π Cet	■ .	4.2		-1	↓	B 7 -1		450	2 44.1	-13.86	
87 μ Cet	■ .	4.3		0.3	↓	F 1 2		86	2 44.9	10.11	
92 α Cet	■ .	2.5		1.6	↓	M2 -2	.	Menkar .	220	3 02.3	4.09

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR	
κ¹ Scl	■ .	6.1	6.2	0.4	0.4	11	1'.5	••	□
37 Cet	■ .	5.1	7.8	0.5	0.8	11	49.1	••	■○
τ Scl	■ .	6.0	7.2	0.3	0.5	11	'5	••	○
							2020	0.8	○
53 χ Cet	■ .	4.7	6.7	0.3	0.6	11	184.0	••	○○
66 Cet	■ .	5.7	7.6	0.6	0.7	11	16.7	••	○○
ω For	■ .	5.0	7.7	-1	0.2	11	10.8	••	○○
86 γ Cet	■ .	3.5	7.0	0.1	0.5	11	2.7	••	○○

T Cet	■ .	semireg.
		Period 159 d
		Extrema 5.0-6.9
68 o Cet	■ .	■
		Period 332 d
		Max. 2454175
		Min. Max.+205
		Extrema 2.0-10.1



# E1 Equator, Ecliptic Fall Constellations

NEBULA		Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
628	M 74	Psc	9½	14/□'	8'	○ Sc	Glx	35 Mly	1 <sup>h</sup> 36 <sup>m</sup> .7	15°.79

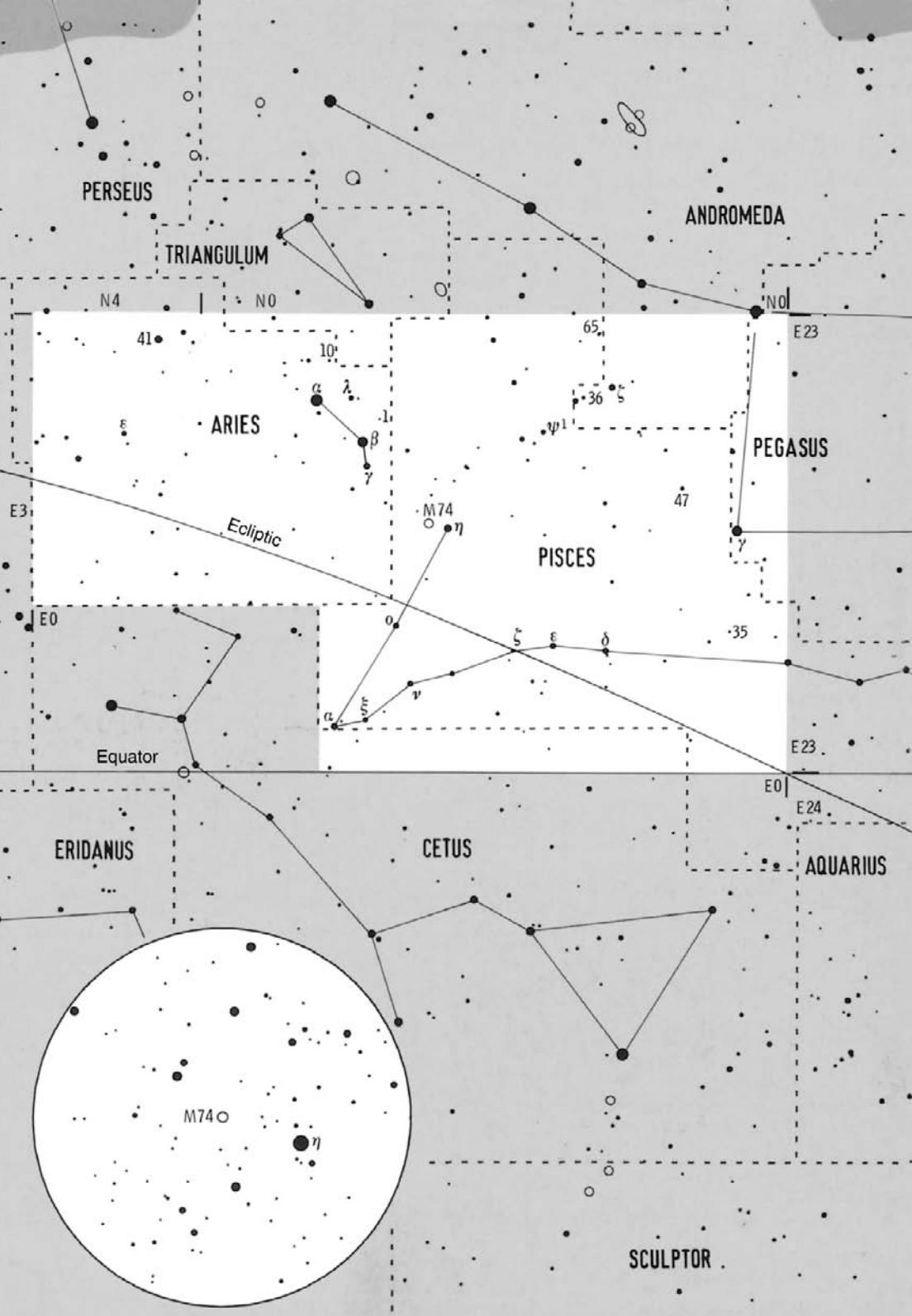
628 M 74 Very difficult except under darkest sky, lowest power essential, moderately bright core not exactly centered, see comment at the bottom.

STAR		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
88	γ Peg	■	●	2.8	-.2	↓	B 2 -2 <sup>M</sup> .	Algenib .	360 ly	0 <sup>h</sup> 13 <sup>m</sup> .2	15°.18	
35	Psc	■	●	5.8	✳	0.3	↓	F 0 1 . . . . .	260	0 15.0	8.82	
47	Psc	■	●	4.7-5.3	1.6	↓	M3 -1	TV Piscium	500	0 28.0	17.89	
34	ζ And	■	●	4.1	1.1	↓	K 1 0 . . . . .		185	0 47.3	24.27	
63	δ Psc	■	●	4.4	1.5	↓	K 5 0 . . . . .		310	0 48.7	7.59	
65	Psc	■	●	5.5	✳	0.4	↓	F 2 0 . . . . .	350	0 49.9	27.71	
36	And	■	●	5.5	✳	1.0	↓	K 1 2 . . . . .	130	0 55.0	23.63	
71	ε Psc	■	●	4.3	1.0	↓	K 0 0 . . . . .		190	1 02.9	7.89	
74	ψ <sup>1</sup> Psc	■	●	4.7	✳	0.0	↓	A 1 0 . . . . .	240	1 05.7	21.47	
86	ζ Psc	■	●	4.9	✳	0.4	↓	A 7 2 . . . . .	150	1 13.7	7.58	
99	η Psc	■	●	3.6	1.0	↓	G 8 -1 . . . . .		300	1 31.5	15.35	
106	ν Psc	■	●	4.4	1.4	↓	K 3 -1 . . . . .		370	1 41.4	5.49	
110	ο Psc	■	●	4.3	0.9	↓	K 0 0 . . . . .		250	1 45.4	9.16	
1	Ari	■	●	5.8	✳	0.7	↓	G 5 0 . . . . .		500	1 50.1	22.28
5	γ Ari	■	●	3.9	✳	0.0	↓	A 1 0	Mesarthim	200	1 53.5	19.29
111	ξ Psc	■	●	4.6	0.9	↓	K 0 1 . . . . .		190	1 53.6	3.19	
6	β Ari	■	●	2.6	0.2	↓	A 5 1 .	Sheratan .	59	1 54.6	20.81	
9	λ Ari	■	●	4.7	✳	0.3	↓	F 1 2 . . . . .		134	1 57.9	23.60
113	α Psc	■	●	3.8	✳	0.1	↓	A 2 1 . . . . .		140	2 02.0	2.76
10	Ari	■	●	5.6	✳	0.5	↓	F 8 2 . . . . .		170	2 03.7	25.94
13	α Ari	■	●	2.0	1.1	↓	K 2 0 . . . . .	Hamal .	66	2 07.2	23.46	
41	Ari	■	●	3.6	-.1	↓	B 8 0 . . . . .		160	2 50.0	27.26	
48	ε Ari	■	●	4.6	✳	0.0	↓	A 2 0 . . . . .		300	2 59.2	21.34

BINARY		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
35	Psc	■	●	6.0	7.6	0.3	0.4	11".5
65	Psc	■	●	6.3	6.3	0.4	0.4	11" 4.3
36	And	■	●	6.0	6.4	0.9	1.2	11".5 1.0
								2020 1.2
								2020 1.2
74	ψ <sup>1</sup> Psc	■	●	5.3	5.6	0.0	0.0	11".5 29.8
86	ζ Psc	■	●	5.2	6.3	0.3	0.5	11" 22.8
1	Ari	■	●	6.2	7.2	1.1	0.2	11" 2.9
5	γ Ari	■	●	4.6	4.7	0.0	0.0	11" 7.5
9	λ Ari	■	●	4.8	7.3	0.3	0.6	11" 37.5
113	α Psc	■	●	4.2	5.2	0.0	0.2	11".5 1.8
								2020 1.7
10	Ari	■	●	5.8	7.7	0.5	0.7	11".5 1.2
								2020 1.5
48	ε Ari	■	●	5.2	5.5	0.0	0.1	11" 1.5

VARIABLE	STAR
47 TV Psc	■ · semireg. Period 50-85 d

**MESSIER Marathon**  
It is possible to observe all 110 Messier objects during just one night in March. M 74 is then the most difficult object at dusk, and M 30 the most difficult at dawn. Advice: Better take your time!



# E2 Equator, Ecliptic Fall–Winter Constellations

<b>NEBULA</b>	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1360 .. For	◻ • 9 12/□'	9	12/□'	7'	0 D	PN	1500 ly	3 <sup>h</sup> 33 <sup>m</sup> .3	-25. <sup>87</sup>
1535 .. Eri	◻ • 9½ 6	9½	6	0.3	0 D	PN	5000	4 14.3	-12.74

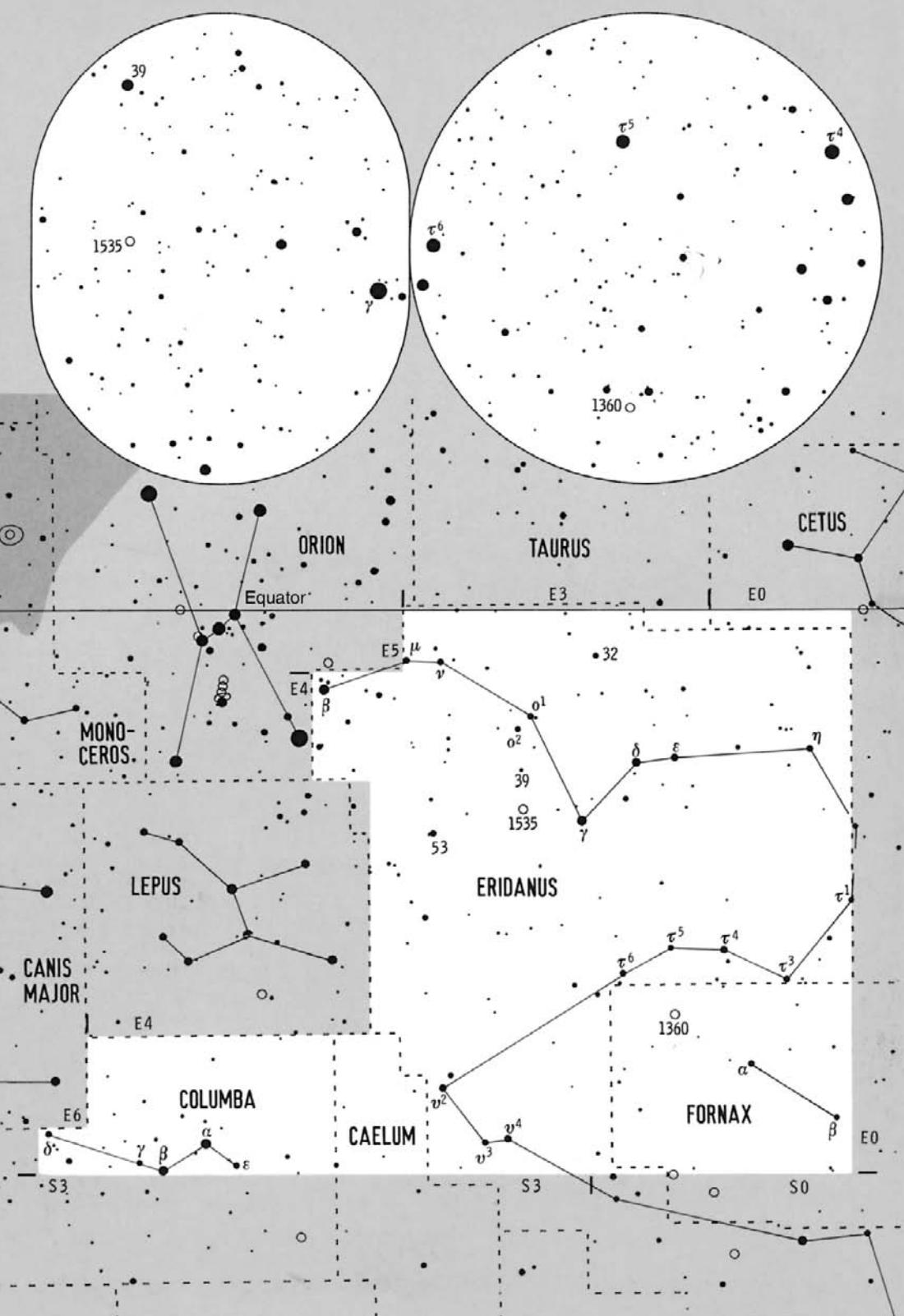
- 1360 .. Large planetary, true size 3 light-years, less known among observers, near the limit of binoculars; a telescope shows mag. 11.3 central star, an extremely hot star with a surface temperature of about 100 000 K.  
 1535 .. Bright central disk within a fainter oval halo, requires a telescope at very high power, the central star of magnitude 12.2 is difficult to see.

<b>STAR</b>	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1 $\tau^1$ Eri	◻ • 4.5	4.5	0.5	↓	F 5	4 <sup>M</sup>	.	46 ly	2 <sup>h</sup> 45 <sup>m</sup> .1	-18. <sup>57</sup>
$\beta$ For	◻ • 4.4	4.4	1.0	↓	G 8	1	.	170	2 49.1	-32.41
3 $\eta$ Eri	◻ • 3.9	3.9	1.1	↓	K 1	1	.	133	2 56.4	-8.90
11 $\tau^3$ Eri	◻ • 4.1	4.1	0.2	↓	A 4	2	.	86	3 02.4	-23.62
$\alpha$ For	◻ • 3.9 *	3.9	0.5	↓	F 8	3	.	46	3 12.1	-28.99
16 $\tau^4$ Eri	◻ • 3.7	3.7	1.6	↓	M 3	-1	.	260	3 19.5	-21.76
18 $\varepsilon$ Eri	◻ • 3.7	3.7	0.9	↓	K 2	6	.	10.5	3 32.9	-9.46
19 $\tau^5$ Eri	◻ • 4.3	4.3	-1.	↓	B 9	-1	.	310	3 33.8	-21.63
23 $\delta$ Eri	◻ • 3.5	3.5	0.9	↓	K 0	4	.	29.5	3 43.2	-9.77
27 $\tau^6$ Eri	◻ • 4.2	4.2	0.4	↓	F 3	3	.	58	3 46.8	-23.25
32 Eri	◻ • 4.5 *	4.5	0.7	↓	G 2	-1	.	350	3 54.3	-2.95
34 $\gamma$ Eri	◻ • 3.0	3.0	1.6	↓	M 1	-1	Zaurak	220	3 58.0	-13.51
38 $\sigma^1$ Eri	◻ • 4.0	4.0	0.3	↓	F 2	1	.	125	4 11.9	-6.84
39 Eri	◻ • 4.9 *	4.9	1.2	↓	K 3	1	.	210	4 14.4	-10.26
40 $\sigma^2$ Eri	◻ • 4.4 *	4.4	0.8	↓	K 1	6	(see below)	16.5	4 15.3	-7.64
41 $v^4$ Eri	◻ • 3.6	3.6	-1.	↓	B 9	0	.	180	4 17.9	-33.80
43 $v^3$ Eri	◻ • 4.0	4.0	1.5	↓	K 4	-1	.	270	4 24.0	-34.02
52 $v^2$ Eri	◻ • 3.8	3.8	1.0	↓	G 8	0	.	200	4 35.6	-30.56
48 $\nu$ Eri	◻ • 3.9	3.9	-2	↓	B 2	-2	.	600	4 36.3	-3.35
53 Eri	◻ • 3.9	3.9	1.1	↓	K 1	1	.	108	4 38.2	-14.30
57 $\mu$ Eri	◻ • 4.0	4.0	-1.	↓	B 5	-2	.	500	4 45.5	-3.25
67 $\beta$ Eri	◻ • 2.8	2.8	0.2	↓	A 3	1	Cursa	89	5 07.9	-5.09
$\varepsilon$ Col	◻ • 3.9	3.9	1.1	↓	K 1	-1	.	270	5 31.2	-35.47
$\alpha$ Col	◻ • 2.6	2.6	-1	↓	B 7	-2	Phact	260	5 39.6	-34.07
$\beta$ Col	◻ • 3.1	3.1	1.2	↓	K 1	1	.	86	5 51.0	-35.77
$\gamma$ Col	◻ • 4.4	4.4	-2	↓	B 2	-3	.	850	5 57.5	-35.28
$\delta$ Col	◻ • 3.9	3.9	0.9	↓	G 5	0	.	235	6 22.1	-33.44

<b>BINARY</b>	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
$\alpha$ For	◻ • 4.0 6.9	4.0	6.9	0.5	0.8	11'5	5''.1 • ◻
						2025	2012 5.3 • ◻
						2000	2020 5.5 • ◻
32 Eri	◻ • 4.8 6.1	4.8	6.1	0.9	0.1	11	6.9 • ◻
39 Eri	◻ • 4.9 8.0	4.9	8.0	1.2	0.7	11	6.4 • ◻
40 $\sigma^2$ Eri	◻ • 4.4 9.5	4.4	9.5	0.8	0.0	11	83.4 • ◻

## Comment on $\sigma^2$ Eri

Its companion is the most easily observable white dwarf and the smallest star in this catalog; diameter only 20000km, 12000miles.



# E3 Equator, Ecliptic Winter Constellations

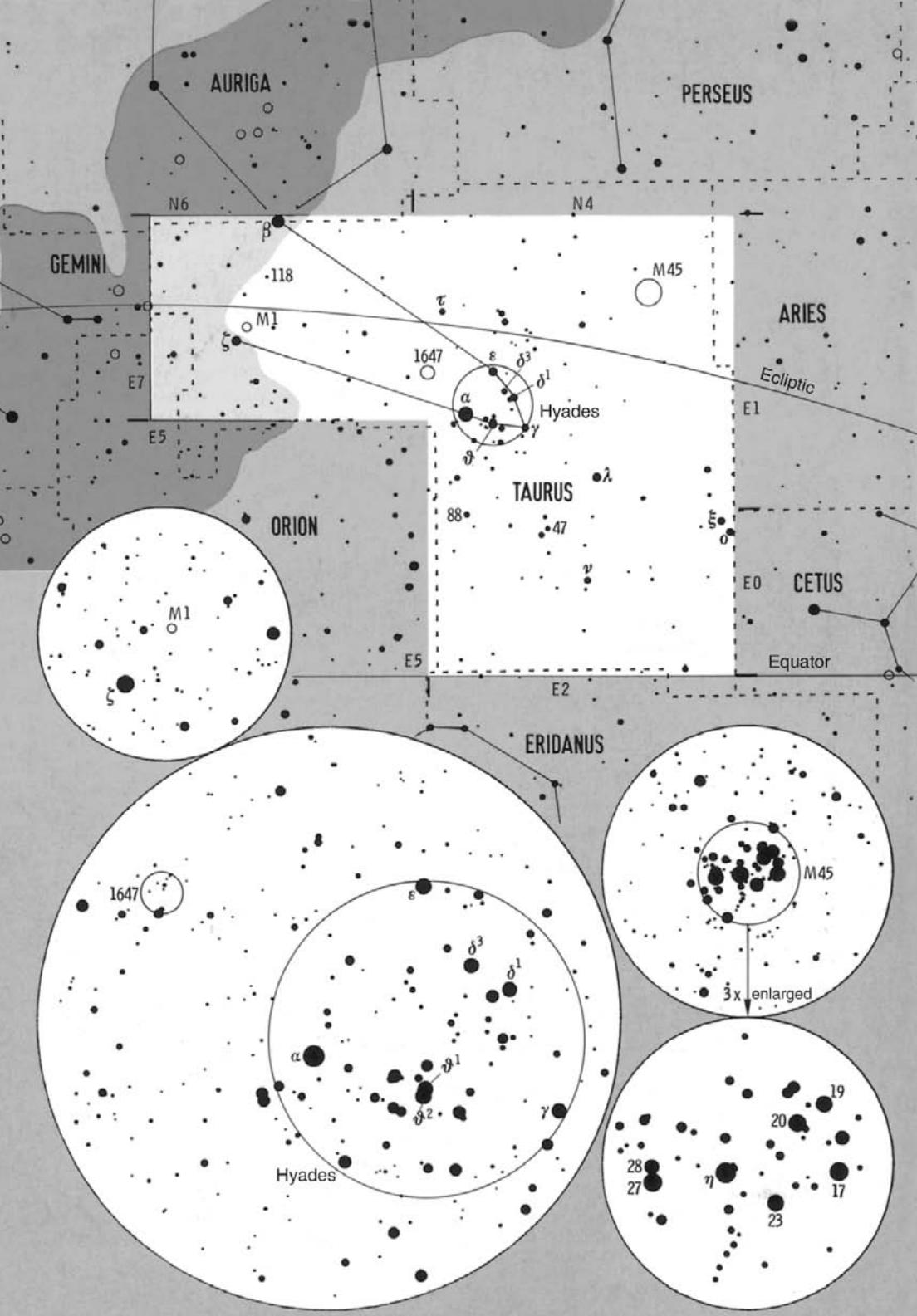
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
M 45	Tau	8	1½	11/□' 100'	O r n	OC	⊕	400 ly	3 <sup>h</sup> 47 <sup>m</sup> .0 24. <sup>°</sup> 12
Hyades ...	Tau	9	1	11	300	○ m	OC	⊕	150
1647 .....	Tau	9	6½	14	40	○ m	OC	⊕	1800
1952 M 1	Tau	9	8	11	6	○ Fi	DN	⊕	6000
								5 34.5	22.02

M 45 **Pleiades, Seven Sisters**, marvelous with unaided eye or binoculars, Merope's reflection nebula NGC 1435 visible under darkest sky.  
 Hyades ... Only impressive with unaided eye or opera glasses, scattered stars, the closest and brightest star cluster, Aldebaran is a foreground star.  
 1647 .....

1952 M 1 **Crab Nebula**, difficult in binoculars, elongated, irregular in a telescope, a nebula filter helps, the remnant of the supernova in 1054.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1 <i>o</i>	Tau	8	•	3.6	0.9	↓	G 8 -1 <sup>M</sup>	Sep. 55'	•	220 ly
2 <i>ξ</i>	Tau	8	•	3.7	- .1	↓	B 9 0	..	..	3 27.2 9.73
17	Tau	8	•	3.7	- .1	↓	B 6 -2	Electra	..	400
19	Tau	8	•	4.3	- .1	↓	B 6 -1	Taygeta	..	400
20	Tau	8	•	3.8	- .1	↓	B 8 -2	Maia	in	400
23	Tau	8	•	4.1	- .1	↓	B 6 -1	Merope	M 45	400
25 <i>η</i>	Tau	8	•	2.8	- .1	↓	B 7 -3	Alcyone	..	400
27	Tau	8	•	3.6	- .1	↓	B 8 -2	Atlas	..	400
28 BU	Tau	8	•	4.9-5.2	- .1	↓	B 7 -1	Pleione	..	400
35 <i>λ</i>	Tau	8	•	3.4-3.9	- .1	↓	B 3 -2	..	..	360
38 <i>ν</i>	Tau	8	•	3.9	0.0	↓	A 1 1	..	..	132
47	Tau	8	•	4.8	* 0.8	↓	G 5 0	..	..	350
54 <i>γ</i>	Tau	8	•	3.6	1.0	↓	G 8 0	..	..	155
61 <i>δ</i> <sup>1</sup>	Tau	8	•	3.8	1.0	↓	G 8 0	..	..	155
68 <i>δ</i> <sup>3</sup>	Tau	8	•	4.3	* 0.0	↓	A 2 1	..	..	150
74 <i>ε</i>	Tau	8	•	3.5	1.0	↓	K 0 0	..	..	155
77 <i>δ</i> <sup>1</sup>	Tau	8	•	3.8	1.0	↓	K 0 0	Sep. 5.7	•	155
78 <i>δ</i> <sup>2</sup>	Tau	8	•	3.4	0.2	↓	A 7 0	..	..	155
88	Tau	8	•	4.2	* 0.2	↓	A 5 1	..	..	150
87 <i>α</i>	Tau	8	•	0.9	1.5	↓	K 5 -1	Aldebaran	..	66
94 <i>τ</i>	Tau	8	•	4.2	* - .1	↓	B 3 -1	..	..	400
112 <i>β</i>	Tau	8	•	1.7	- .1	↓	B 7 -1	Elnath, Nath	..	130
118	Tau	8	•	5.5	* 0.0	↓	B 9 -1	..	..	500
123 <i>ζ</i>	Tau	8	•	3.0	- .2	↓	B 4 -3	..	..	400
										5 37.6 21.14

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR
47	Tau	8	•	4.9	7.3	0.8	0.8	1. <sup>''</sup> 3
68 <i>δ</i> <sup>3</sup>	Tau	8	•	4.4	7.6	0.0	0.6	1.5
88	Tau	8	•	4.3	7.8	0.2	0.5	69.6
94 <i>τ</i>	Tau	8	•	4.3	7.1	- .1	0.1	62.9
118	Tau	8	•	5.9	6.7	- .1	0.1	4.7
								28 BU Tau 8 • irregular
								35 <i>λ</i> Tau 8 • V
								Period 3.95295 d
								Min. 2454000.1
								2nd min. mag. 3.6



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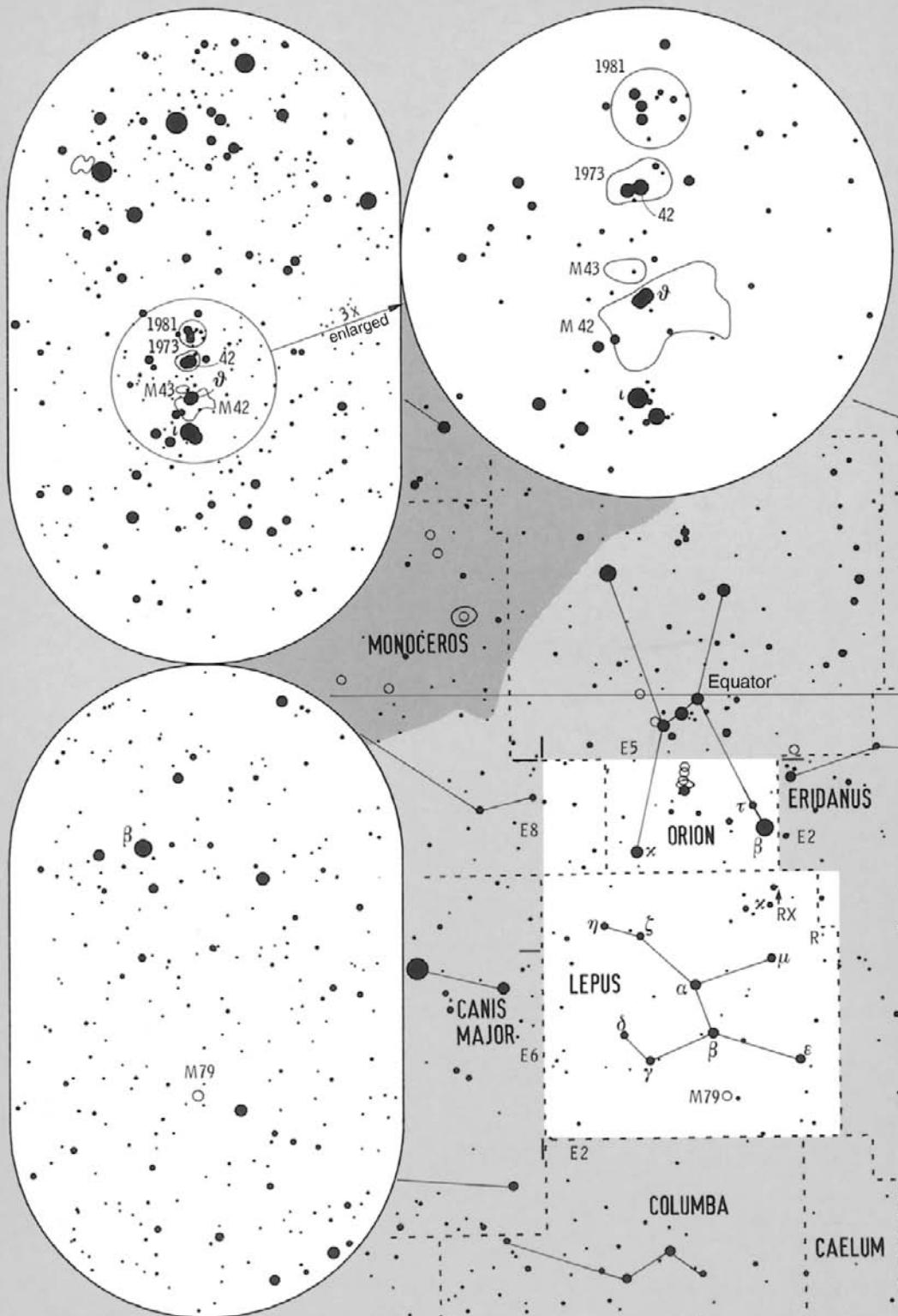
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
1904 M 79	Lep	8	12/□'	6'	○ V	GC	40 000 ly	5 <sup>h</sup> 24 <sup>m</sup> 2	-24°53	
1981 .....	Ori	4½	11	25	○ p n	OC	1 400	5 35.2	-4.43	
1973 .....	Ori	8	14	20	○ Re	DN	1 400	5 35.3	-4.81	
1976 M 42	Ori	8	3½	11	40	○ Em	DN	1 400	5 35.6	-5.43
1982 M 43	Ori	8	13	12	○ Em	DN	1 400	5 35.6	-5.27	

- 1904 M 79 Very difficult to resolve, well concentrated, far outside our galaxy.  
 1981 .....
- Only a few bright stars, which are hard to recognize as a cluster.
- 1973 .....
- Dim difficult object, the three sections are NGC 1973, 1975, 1977.
- 1976 M 42 **Orion Nebula**, primary nebula of all diffuse nebulae, impressive in every scope; dust clouds, bright arcs, and embedded stars are fantastic, color blue-green, contains famous trapezium; to an experienced observer a telescope can show more details than many photographs.
- 1982 M 43 The northern part of the Orion Nebula, separated by a dust cloud.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
R Lep	□	6.0-9.7	3.4	.	C 7 -2 <sup>M</sup>	.....	.....	1 000 ly	4 <sup>h</sup> 59 <sup>m</sup> .6	-14°.81
2 ε Lep	□	3.2	1.5	.	K 4 -1	.....	.....	220	5 05.5	-22.37
RX Lep	□	5.2-6.0	1.4	↑	M 6 -1	.....	.....	450	5 11.4	-11.85
5 μ Lep	□	3.2-3.4	-1	↓	B 9 -1	.....	.....	185	5 12.9	-16.21
4 κ Lep	□	4.4 *	-1	↓	B 7 -2	.....	.....	550	5 13.2	-12.94
19 β Ori	●	0.1 *	0.0	↓	B 8 -7	.	Rigel	800	5 14.5	-8.20
20 τ Ori	●	3.6	-1	↓	B 5 -2	.....	.....	500	5 17.6	-6.84
9 β Lep	○	2.8	0.8	↓	G 5 -1	.	Nihal	160	5 28.2	-20.76
11 α Lep	●	2.6	0.2	↓	F 0 -6	.	Arneb	1 400	5 32.7	-17.82
41 θ Ori	○	4.0 *	0.0	↓	O 7 -4	41 and 43 Ori	1 400	5 35.3	-5.40	
42,45 Ori	○	4.1 *	0.0	↓	B 2 -4	in NGC 1973	1 400, 380	5 35.4	-4.84	
44 ρ Ori	○	2.8 *	-2	↓	O 9 -6	.....	.....	1 400	5 35.4	-5.91
13 γ Lep	●	3.5 *	0.5	↓	F 7 4	.....	.....	29.2	5 44.5	-22.45
14 ζ Lep	●	3.6	0.1	↓	A 2 2	.....	.....	70	5 47.0	-14.82
53 κ Ori	●	2.1	-2	↓	B 0 -5	.	Saiph	750	5 47.8	-9.67
15 δ Lep	●	3.8	1.0	↓	G 8 1	.....	.....	113	5 51.3	-20.88
16 η Lep	●	3.7	0.3	↓	F 1 3	.....	.....	49	5 56.4	-14.17

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	
4 κ Lep	●	4.4	7.1	-1	0.3	11	2°.1	
19 β Ori	●	0.1	6.8	0.0	0.0	11	9.5	
41 ϑ Ori	○	•	4.6*	4.8*	0.0	-1	140.0	
41 ϑ <sup>1</sup> Ori	○	5.1	6.7	0.0	0.1	11	13.4	
Trapezium	■	"	6.7	"	0.0	↓	12.7	
		8.0	"	0.2	"	↓	8.7	
43 ϑ <sup>2</sup> Ori		5.1	6.4	-1	-1	11	52.4	
42,45 Ori	○	•	4.6	5.2	-2	0.3	11	252
44 ρ Ori	○	•	2.8	6.9	-2	-1	11	11.3
13 γ Lep	●	3.6	6.2	0.5	0.9	11	97.3	

VARIABLE STAR	
R Lep	
Period	≈ 435 d
Max.	≈ 2454314
Min.	Max. + 200
Extrema	5.5-11.7
The reddest star.	
RX Lep	irregular
Period	60-90 d
Extrema	5.0-7.4
5 μ Lep	irregular



# E5 Equator, Ecliptic Winter Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1788 .....	Ori	9	12/□'	6'	0 Re	DN	●	1400 ly	5 <sup>h</sup> 06 <sup>m</sup> .9 -3.35
2024 .....	Ori	7½	13	20	0 Em	DN	○○	1200	5 41.5 -1.87
2068 M 78	Ori	8	12	7	0 Re	DN	●●	1200	5 46.7 0.07

- 1788 .....
- 2024 .....
- 2068 M 78 Brightest reflection nebula, appears like a comet, dark dust features, two embedded stars; 15' north is mag. 10 reflection nebula NGC 2071.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1 $\pi^3$ Ori	●	3.2	0.5	↓	F 6	4 <sup>M</sup>	.	26.2 ly	4 <sup>h</sup> 49 <sup>m</sup> .8	6°.96
3 $\pi^4$ Ori	●	3.7	-.2	↓	B 2 -4	.	.	1100	4 51.2	5.61
8 $\pi^5$ Ori	●	3.7	-.2	↓	B 2 -4	.	.	1100	4 54.3	2.44
14 Ori	●	5.3	★ 0.3	↓	A 0 2	.	.	180	5 07.9	8.50
22 Ori	♂	4.4	★ -.2	↓	B 2 -4	.	.	1200	5 21.7	-0.39
23 Ori	●	4.9	★ -.1	↓	B 1 -3	.	.	1200	5 22.8	3.55
28 $\eta$ Ori	♂	3.3-3.6★	-.2	↓	B 1 -5	.	.	1200	5 24.5	-2.40
24 $\gamma$ Ori	●	1.6	-.2	↓	B 2 -3	.	Bellatrix	240	5 25.1	6.35
32 Ori	●	4.2	★ -.1	↓	B 5 -1	.	.	300	5 30.8	5.95
33 Ori	●	5.4	★ -.2	↓	B 2 -3	.	.	1200	5 31.2	3.29
34 $\delta$ Ori	♂	2.2	★ -.2	↓	O 9 -6	.	Mintaka	1200	5 32.0	-0.30
VV Ori	♂	5.3-5.7	-.2	↓	B 1 -3	.	.	1200	5 33.5	-1.16
39 $\lambda$ Ori	●	3.4	★ -.2	↓	O 8 -5	.	.	1200	5 35.1	9.93
46 $\varepsilon$ Ori	♂	1.7	-.2	↓	B 0 -6	.	Alnilam	1200	5 36.2	-1.20
48 $\sigma$ Ori	♂	3.6	★ -.2	↓	O 9 -4	.	.	1200	5 38.8	-2.60
50 $\zeta$ Ori	♂	1.7	★ -.2	↓	O 9 -6	.	Alnitak	1200	5 40.8	-1.94
52 Ori	●	5.3	★ 0.2	↓	A 5 0	.	.	450	5 48.0	6.45
58 $\alpha$ Ori	●	0.3-0.9	1.8	↓	M 2 -5	.	Betelgeuse	350	5 55.2	7.41

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
14 Ori	●	5.8	6.6	0.3	0.3	11°5' 0.8"	• ●
						2020	1.0 •●
22 Ori	♂	4.7	5.7	-.2	-.1	111° 241.9	•●
23 Ori	●	5.0	7.2	-.1	-.1	32.0	●
28 $\eta$ Ori	♂	4	4.9	-.2	-.2	111° 1.7	•●
32 Ori	●	4.5	5.8	-.1	-.1	11°5' 1.2	•●
						2020	1.3 •●
33 Ori	●	5.8	6.9	-.2	-.1	111° 1.9	•●
34 $\delta$ Ori	♂	2.2	6.8	-.2	-.2	52.4	●
39 $\lambda$ Ori	●	3.6	5.5	-.2	-.2	111° 4.3	●
48 $\sigma$ Ori	♂	3.8	6.6	-.2	-.2	41.5	●
		"	6.6	"	-.2	12.9	●
50 $\zeta$ Ori	♂	1.9	4.0	-.2	-.2	111° 2.4	●
52 Ori	●	6.0	6.0	0.1	0.3	111° 1.0	●

VARIABLE STAR
28 $\eta$ Ori
Period 7.98928 d
Min. 2454006.51
Eclipse 15 hours
Binary star mag. 3.6-5.0 and 4.9.
VV Ori
Period 1.485376 d
Min. 2454000.45
Eclipse 6 hours
58 $\alpha$ Ori
Periods 420 d and ≈ 6 years
Extrema 0.0-1.3

PERSEUS

AURIGA

TAURUS

GEMINI

CANIS  
MINOR

MONOCEROS

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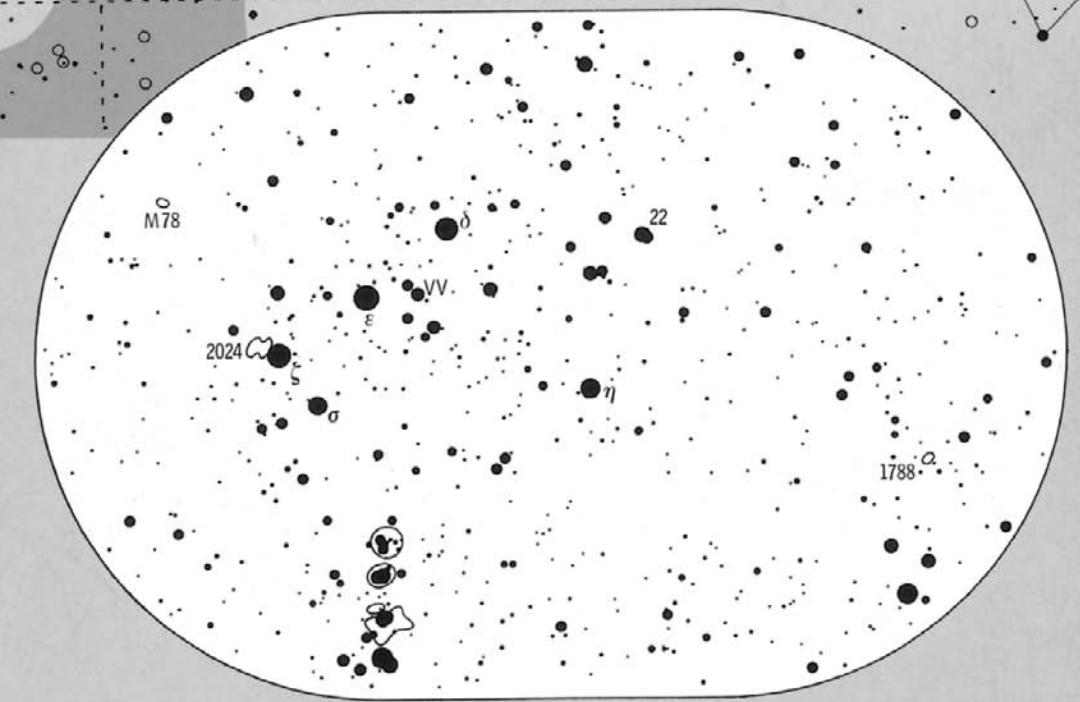
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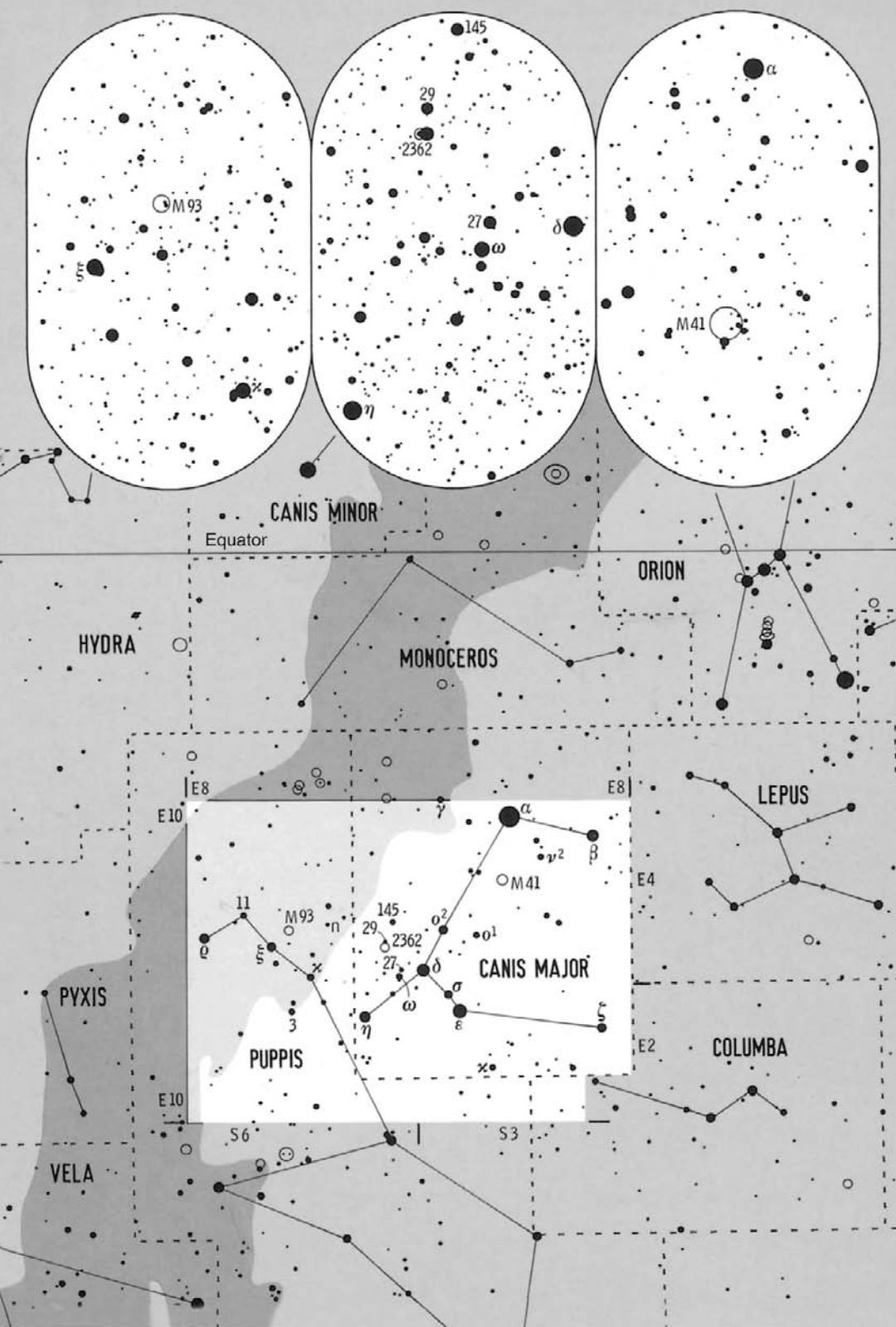
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NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
2287 M 41	CMa	5	12/□'	30'	○ m	OC	2500 ly	6 <sup>b</sup> 46. <sup>m</sup> 2	-20. <sup>o</sup> 73
2362 .....	CMa	4	7	6	○ p	OC	5000	7 18.7	-24.93
2447 M 93	Pup	6½	12	15	○ m	OC	4000	7 44.6	-23.86

- 2287 M 41 Nicely resolved in binoculars, an excellent object for small scopes, even visible with the unaided eye as a glow, not too impressive in a telescope, contains few faint stars, a binary is on the northwest side.
- 2362 .....
- 2447 M 93 In binoculars, the mag. 4.4 star  $\tau$  CMa almost outshines faint background glow of mag. 6 ( $9\frac{m}{□}$ ); well resolved in a telescope, triangular. Binoculars resolve a few bright stars within a nebulous background; a telescope resolves fainter stars well; three parallel chains of stars.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.		
1 $\zeta$ CMa	■	● 3.0	★	-.2	↓	B 3 -2 <sup>M</sup>	. Phurud	350,800 ly	6 <sup>b</sup> 20. <sup>m</sup> 3	-30. <sup>o</sup> 06		
2 $\beta$ CMa	■	● 2.0		-.2	↓	B 1 -4	. Mirzam	500	6 22.7	-17.96		
7 $\nu^2$ CMa	■	● 4.0	1.0		↑	K 1 2	.. . . . .	65	6 36.7	-19.26		
9 $\alpha$ CMa	○	● -1.5	0.0		↓	A 0 1	.. . . . .	Sirius	8.6	6 45.1	-16.72	
13 $\kappa$ CMa	■	● 3.5-4.0	★	-.1	↓	B 2 -4	.. . . . .	800	6 49.8	-32.51		
16 $\sigma^1$ CMa	■	● 3.8-4.0	1.7		↑	K 3 -5	.. . . . .	2000	6 54.1	-24.18		
21 $\varepsilon$ CMa	■	● 1.5	★	-.2	↓	B 2 -4	.. . . . .	Adhara	430	6 58.6	-28.97	
22 $\sigma$ CMa	■	● 3.5	1.7		↑	K 7 -4	.. . . . .		1200	7 01.7	-27.93	
24 $\sigma^2$ CMa	■	● 3.0	-.1		↓	B 3 -7	.. . . . .		2500	7 03.0	-23.83	
23 $\gamma$ CMa	■	● 4.1	-.1		↓	B 8 -1	.. . . . .		400	7 03.8	-15.63	
25 $\delta$ CMa	○	● 1.8	0.7		↑	F 8 -7	.. . . . .	Wezen	2000	7 08.4	-26.39	
27	CMa	○	● 4.4-4.7	-.2	↓	B 3 -4	.. . . . .	EW CMa	1500	7 14.3	-26.35	
28 $\omega$ CMa	○	● 3.8-4.0	-.1		↓	B 2 -4	.. . . . .		1000	7 14.8	-26.77	
145	CMa	○	● 4.5	★	1.1	↑	K 1 -4	.. . . . .		2000, 250	7 16.6	-23.31
29	CMa	○	● 4.8-5.3	-.1	↓	O 7 -7	UW CMa	5000	7 18.7	-24.56		
31 $\eta$ CMa	■	● 2.4	★	-.1	↓	B 5 -7	.. . . . .	Aludra	2500, 600	7 24.1	-29.30	
n Pup	■	● 5.1	★	0.4	↓	F 6 3	.. . . . .		95	7 34.3	-23.47	
k $\kappa$ Pup	○	● 3.8	★	-.2	↓	B 5 -2	.. . . . .		450	7 38.8	-26.80	
3 Pup	■	● 3.9	0.2		↓	A 2 -7	.. . . . .		5000	7 43.8	-28.96	
7 $\xi$ Pup	○	● 3.2	★	1.1	↓	G 5 -5	Aspidiske	1200, 350	7 49.3	-24.86		
11 Pup	■	● 4.2	0.7		↓	F 7 -2	.. . . . .		500	7 56.9	-22.88	
15 $\varrho$ Pup	■	● 2.8	0.5		↓	F 5 1	.. . . . .		63	8 07.5	-24.30	

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR
1 $\zeta$ CMa	■	● 3.0	7.7	-.2	1.1	↑↑	175''	13 $\kappa$ CMa
13 $\kappa$ CMa	■	● 4	6.8	-.2	-1	↓↓	265.4	• irregular
21 $\varepsilon$ CMa	■	● 1.5	7.5	-.2	0.1	↓↓	7.5	16 $\sigma^1$ CMa
145	CMa	○	● 4.8	6.0	1.7	0.3	↓↓	27 EW CMa
31 $\eta$ CMa	■	● 2.4	6.9	-.1	0.0	↓↓	179	28 $\omega$ CMa
n Pup	■	● 5.8	5.9	0.4	0.4	↓↓	9.8	Extrema 3.6-4.2
k $\kappa$ Pup	○	● 4.5	4.6	-.2	-1	↓↓	9.9	29 UW CMa
7 $\xi$ Pup	○	● 3.3	5.3	1.2	0.8	↓↓	288	Period 4.3934 d
								Min. 2454000.6

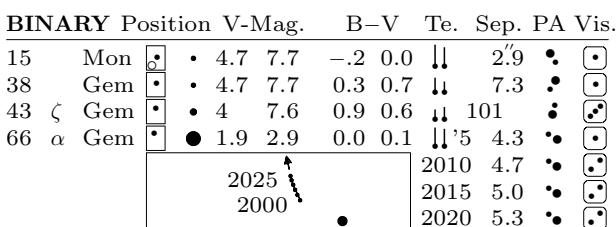


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NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
2129 .....	Gem	7	10/□'	5'	○ p	OC		6000 ly	6 <sup>h</sup> 01 <sup>m</sup> 0 23.30
2168 M35	Gem	5	12	30	○ r	OC		3000	6 08.9 24.33
2175 .....	Ori	7	13	20	○ p n	OC		6000	6 09.8 20.40
2261 .....	Mon	9½	10	1.8	○ Re	DN		3000	6 39.2 8.74
2264 .....	Mon	4	9	15	○ p n	OC		1000	6 41.1 9.88
2392 .....	Gem	9	8	0.8	○ D	PN		2500	7 29.2 20.91

- 2129 .....
- Recognizable as a cluster in a telescope, very sparse, inconspicuous.
- 2168 M35 Near the limit of the unaided eye, bright glow with some stars in binoculars, nicely resolved in a telescope, impressive at low power.
- 2175 .....
- Very inconspicuous; 10' north is the dim diffuse nebula NGC2174.
- 2261 .....
- Hubble's Variable Nebula**, variable within days, some detail visible in a telescope at high power; it looks almost like a comet.
- 2264 .....
- Christmas Tree**, elongated, one mag. 4.7 star, others mag. 8–10.
- 2392 .....
- Eskimo Nebula**, bright green disk, irregularly bright central region; the mag. 10.5 central star is clearly visible at high power.

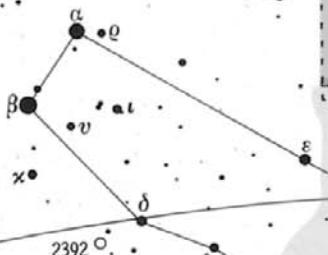
STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
7 $\eta$ Gem	● 3.2–3.4	1.6	.	M3 –2 <sup>M</sup>	Tejat Prior	350 ly	6 <sup>h</sup> 14 <sup>m</sup> 9 22°51'			
13 $\mu$ Gem	● 2.9	1.6	↓	M3 –1	Tejat Posterior	230	6 23.0 22.51			
18 $\nu$ Gem	● 4.1	–1	↓	B 6 –2	.....	450	6 29.0 20.21			
24 $\gamma$ Gem	● 1.9	0.0	↓	A 0 –1	Alhena	105	6 37.7 16.40			
15 Mon	● 4.6 *	–2	↓	O 7 –3	in NGC2264	1000	6 41.0 9.90			
27 $\varepsilon$ Gem	● 3.1	1.4	↓	G 8 –4	Mebsuta	900	6 43.9 25.13			
31 $\xi$ Gem	● 3.4	0.4	↓	F 5 2	.....	57	6 45.3 12.90			
34 $\vartheta$ Gem	● 3.6	0.1	↓	A 3 0	.....	195	6 52.8 33.96			
38 Gem	● 4.7 *	0.3	↓	F 0 2	.....	90	6 54.6 13.18			
43 $\zeta$ Gem	● 3.6–4.2*	0.9	↓	G 3 –4	Mekbuda	1000, 90	7 04.1 20.57			
54 $\lambda$ Gem	● 3.6	0.1	↓	A 3 1	.....	94	7 18.1 16.54			
55 $\delta$ Gem	● 3.5	0.4	↓	F 0 2	. Wasat	59	7 20.1 21.98			
60 $\iota$ Gem	● 3.8	1.0	↓	G 9 1	.....	125	7 25.7 27.80			
62 $\varrho$ Gem	● 4.2	0.3	↓	F 0 3	.....	60	7 29.1 31.78			
66 $\alpha$ Gem	● 1.6 *	0.0	↓	A 2 1	Castor	52	7 34.6 31.89			
69 $v$ Gem	● 4.1	1.5	↓	M 0 0	.....	240	7 35.9 26.90			
77 $\kappa$ Gem	● 3.6	0.9	↓	G 8 0	.....	145	7 44.4 24.40			
78 $\beta$ Gem	● 1.1	1.0	↓	K 0 1	Pollux	33.5	7 45.3 28.03			



VARIABLE STAR	7 $\eta$ Gem	semireg.
Period	232.9 d	
Min.	≈ 2454030	
Extrema	3.2–3.9	
43 $\zeta$ Gem	●	
Period	10.1508 d	
Max.	2454007.5	

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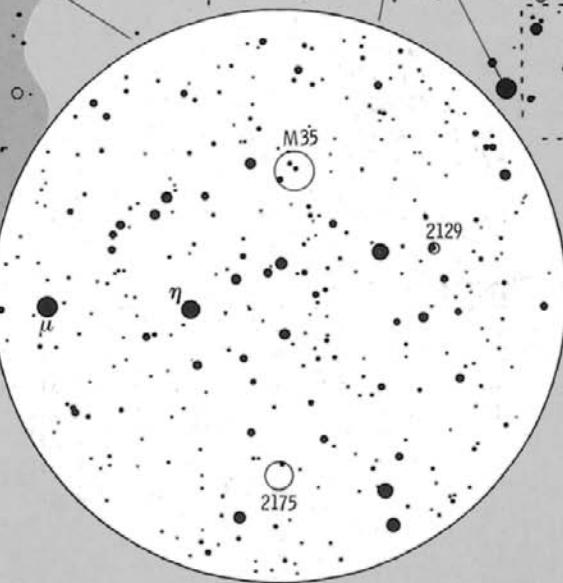
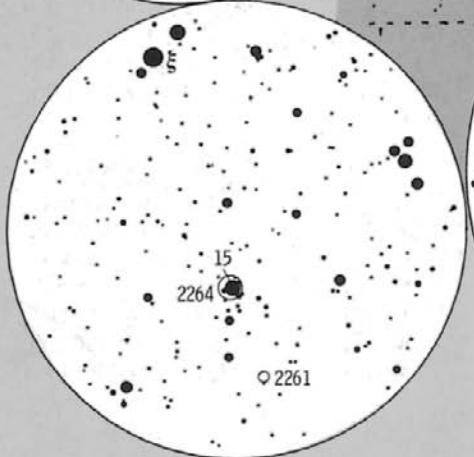
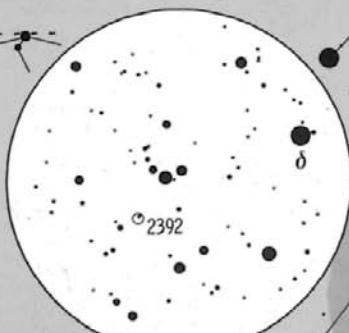
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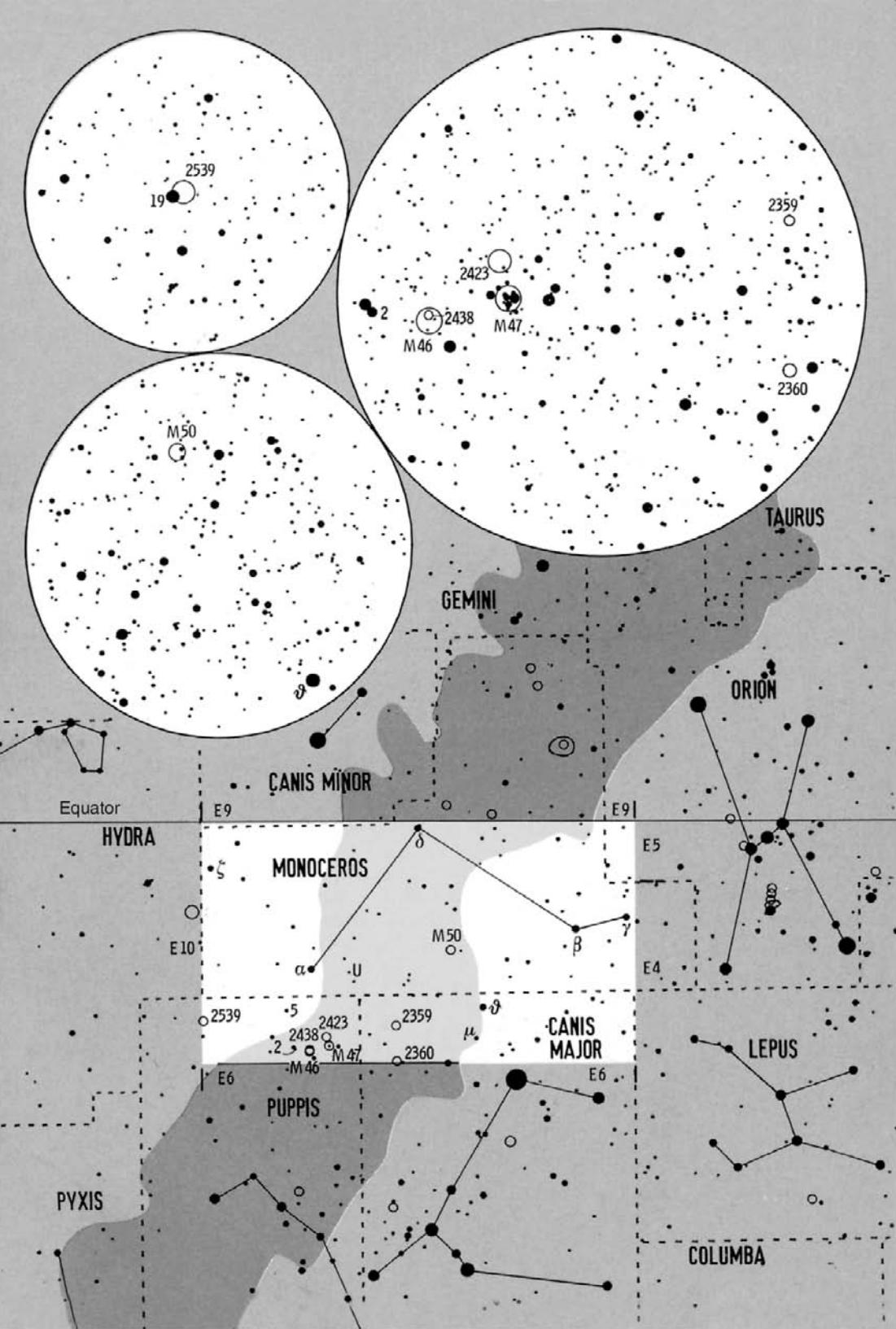
NEBULA		Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
2323	M 50	Mon	8	6½ 12/□'	15'	○ r	OC	3000 ly	7 <sup>h</sup> 02 <sup>m</sup> .8	-8°.35
2360	.....	CMa	9	7½ 12	12	○ m	OC	5000	7 17.8	-15.63
2359	.....	CMa	9	13	10	○ Em	DN	12000	7 18.5	-13.23
2422	M 47	Pup	8	4½ 11	25	○ m	OC	1700	7 36.6	-14.50
2423	.....	Pup	8	7 13	20	○ m	OC	2500	7 37.1	-13.87
2437	M 46	Pup	8	6 13	25	○ r	OC	5000	7 41.8	-14.82
2438	.....	Pup	8	11 11	1.0	○ R	PN	4000	7 41.8	-14.74
2539	.....	Pup	8	7 13	20	○ m	OC	4000	8 10.7	-12.83

- 2323 M 50 Brightest stars resolved in binoculars, fully resolved in a telescope, leaves best impression at low power, quite asymmetric, dark center.  
 2360 ..... A glow in binoculars, even in a telescope not completely resolved, distinct central elongated core, asymmetric shape, chains of stars.  
 2359 ..... Contains a few stars, diffuse nebula is near the limit of binoculars, oval in a telescope, interesting detail visible through a nebula filter.  
 2422 M 47 Impressive cluster in binoculars, no better in a telescope, visible with the unaided eye as a dim glow, contains mostly bright stars.  
 2423 ..... Consists of faint stars, some of which are binaries, not resolved in binoculars, quite symmetric, low contrast to the rich background.  
 2437 M 46 Bright large oval glow in binoculars, impressive number of stars in a telescope, very rich in faint stars, uniform distribution of stars.  
 2438 ..... In northern part of M 46, dim, needs high power or a nebula filter.  
 2539 ..... Difficult in binoculars, excellent in a telescope, several stellar condensations, irregular circumference; it contains about 100 stars.

STAR		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
5	γ	Mon	8	•	4.0	1.3	↓	K3 -3 <sup>M</sup> . . . . .	650 ly	6 <sup>h</sup> 14 <sup>m</sup> .9	-6°.27
11	β	Mon	8	•	3.7	•	-1	↓ B3 -3 . . . . .	650	6 28.8	-7.03
14	ϑ	CMa	8	•	4.1	1.4	↓	K4 0 . . . . .	240	6 54.2	-12.04
18	μ	CMa	8	•	5.0	•	1.2	↓ G3 -2 . . . . .	800	6 56.1	-14.04
22	δ	Mon	8	•	4.2	0.0	↓	A2 -1 . . . . .	370	7 11.9	-0.49
U		Mon	8	·	5.6-7.6	1.0	↓	G7 -5 . . . . .	3000	7 30.8	-9.78
26	α	Mon	8	•	3.9	1.0	↓	K0 1 . . . . .	145	7 41.2	-9.55
2		Pup	8	·	5.7	•	0.1	↓ A4 0 . . . . .	350	7 45.5	-14.69
5		Pup	8	·	5.5	•	0.5	↓ F5 3 . . . . .	100	7 47.9	-12.19
29	ζ	Mon	8	•	4.4	1.0	↓	G2 -5 . . . . .	2000	8 08.6	-2.98
19		Pup	8	•	4.7	0.9	↓	K0 1 near NGC2539 185	8 11.3	-12.93	

BINARY		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
11	β	Mon	8	•	3.8*	7.6	-1 0.0	248''.0
					4.5*	4.6	-1 -1	8.3 ••
					5.1	5.4	-1 -1	3.0 ••
18	μ	CMa	8	•	5.1	7.4	1.4 0.1	↓ 2.8 ••
2		Pup	8	·	6.1	6.9	0.1 0.3	↓ 16.8 ••
5		Pup	8	·	5.7	7.4	0.5 0.7	↓ 1.4 ••

VARIABLE	STAR
U	Mon
·	semireg.
Period	92 d
Pulsating star as	
Mira type stars,	
light curve similar	
to β Lyrae type.	



# E9 Equator, Ecliptic Winter–Spring Constellations

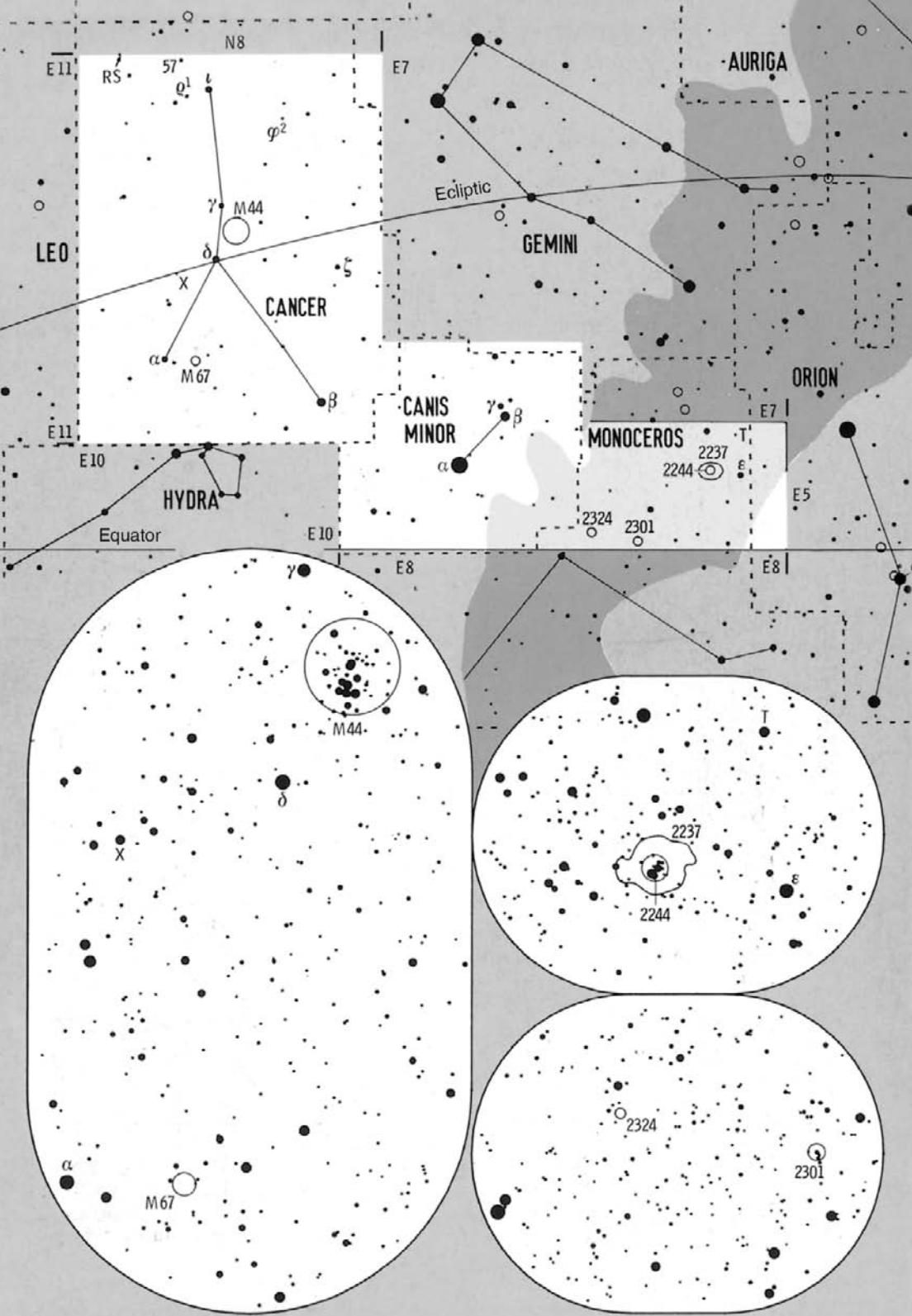
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
2237 .....	Mon ☽	6	14/□'	80'	○ Em	DN	5000 ly	6 <sup>b</sup> 32. <sup>m</sup> 3	5. <sup>0</sup> 0
2244 .....	Mon ☾	5	12	25	○ p n	OC	5000	6 32.4	4.87
2301 .....	Mon ☽	6	11	15	○ m	OC	2500	6 51.8	0.47
2324 .....	Mon ☽	8½	13	7	○ r	OC	12000	7 04.2	1.05
2632 M 44	Cnc ☽	3½	13	80	○ m	OC	580	8 40.1	19.75
2682 M 67	Cnc ☽	7	13	20	○ r	OC	2500	8 51.4	11.82

- 2237 ..... **Rosette Nebula**, requires dark sky, best in binoculars or in a telescope at low power, nebula filter recommended (NGC 2237–39, 2246).  
 2244 ..... In Rosette Nebula, fine in binoculars, no better in a telescope.  
 2301 ..... Partially resolved in binoculars, completely resolved in a telescope, conspicuous chains of stars arranged in the direction north–south.  
 2324 ..... Well visible only in a telescope, shows an impressive number of stars.  
 2632 M 44 **Praesepe, Beehive**, easily visible with the unaided eye as a glow, impressive in binoculars, for a telescope with a wide field of view.  
 2682 M 67 Large nebula in binoculars, beautifully resolved in a telescope.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
8 ε Mon	☽ •	4.3	4.3	0.2	↓	A 6 1 <sup>M</sup>		128 ly	6 <sup>b</sup> 23. <sup>m</sup> 8	4. <sup>59</sup>
T Mon	☽ •	5.6–6.6	1.0	↓	G 8 –6			6000	6 25.2	7.09
3 β CMi	● •	2.9	–1	↓	B 8 –1	.	Gomeisa	170	7 27.2	8.29
4 γ CMi	● •	4.3	1.4	↑	K 3 –1	.		400	7 28.2	8.93
10 α CMi	● •	0.4	0.4	↓	F 5 3	.	Procyon	11.4	7 39.3	5.22
16 ζ Cnc	● •	4.7	4.7	0.5	↓	G 0 3		84	8 12.2	17.65
17 β Cnc	● •	3.5	1.5	↑	K 4 –1	.	Altarf	300	8 16.5	9.19
23 φ² Cnc	● •	5.5	5.5	0.2	↓	A 4 1		280	8 26.8	26.94
43 γ Cnc	☽ •	4.7	0.0	↓	A 1 1	Asellus	Borealis	160	8 43.3	21.47
47 δ Cnc	☽ •	3.9	1.1	↓	K 0 1	Asellus	Australis	135	8 44.7	18.15
48 ρ Cnc	● •	3.9	3.9	0.9	↓	G 8 –1		300	8 46.7	28.76
55 φ¹ Cnc	● •	5.3	5.3	1.1	↑	K 4 –1	55, 53	Cnc 41,800	8 52.5	28.30
57 Cnc	● •	5.4	5.4	1.0	↓	G 8 0		370	8 54.2	30.58
X Cnc	☽ •	6.0–6.5	3.2	•	C 6 –3			2000	8 55.4	17.23
65 α Cnc	☽ •	4.3	0.1	↓	A 5 1	.	Acubens	175	8 58.5	11.86
RS Cnc	◻ •	5.3–6.3	1.5	↑	M 6 0			420	9 10.6	30.96

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
8 ε Mon	☽ •	4.4	6.6	0.2	0.4	12''.2	• ☽
16 ζ Cnc	● •	5.0*	6.1	0.5	0.7	11.6	• ☽
		5.6	6.0	0.5	0.6	11'.5	• ☽
						2012 1.1	• ☽
						2020 1.1	• ☽
						2025 1.1	• ☽
23 φ² Cnc	● •	6.2	6.3	0.2	0.2	5.2	• ☽
48 ρ Cnc	● •	4.0	6.5	1.0	0.1	30.5	• ☽
55 φ¹ Cnc	● •	6.0	6.3	0.9	1.5	272	• ☽
57 Cnc	◻ •	6.0	6.3	1.0	1.1	1.5	• ☽

VARIABLE	STAR
T Mon	☽ •
Period	27.025 d
Max.	2454000
Min.	Max. +20
X Cnc	● • semireg.
Period	≈ 180 d
Extrema	5.6–7.5
RS Cnc	◻ • semireg.
Period	≈ 120 d



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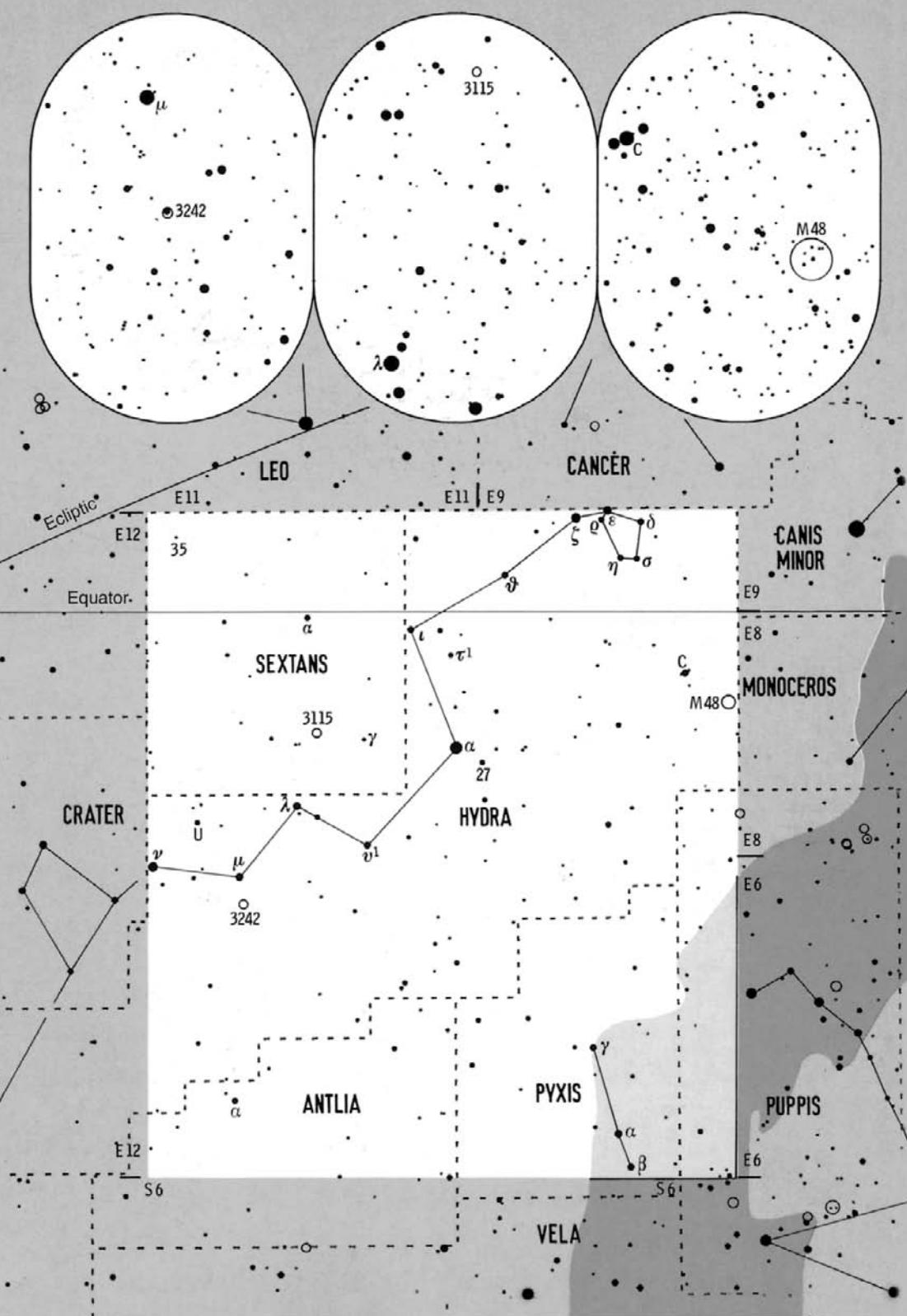
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2548 M 48	Hya	6	13/□'	40'	○ m	OC	2200 ly	8 <sup>b</sup> 13. <sup>m</sup> 8	-5.80
3115 .....	Sex	9½	11	5	S0	Glx	30 M	10 05.2	-7.72
3242 .....	Hya	8	6	0.6	○ D	PN	3000	10 24.8	-18.64

- 2548 M 48 Fine bright open cluster in binoculars, not much better in a telescope, bright stars and binaries form a central bar aligned north-south; Messier listed its declination as 5° further to the north.
- 3115 .....
- 3242 .....
- 3115 .....
- 3242 .....
- Spindle Galaxy**, spindle shape only recognizable in a telescope at high power; it is a fine edge-on galaxy with a bright elongated core.
- Ghost of Jupiter**, similar size and shape as Jupiter, stellar in binoculars, distinct blue-green disk in a telescope, needs high power, high surface brightness; a bright knot lies at its northwest edge.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
C Hya	■	• 3.9	0.0	↓	A 0	1 <sup>M</sup>		125 ly	8 <sup>b</sup> 25. <sup>m</sup> 7	-3.91
4 δ Hya	■	• 4.1	0.0	↓	A 1	0		175	8 37.7	5.70
5 σ Hya	■	• 4.4	1.2	↓	K 2	-1		370	8 38.8	3.34
β Pyx	■	• 4.0	0.9	↓	G 5	-1		380	8 40.1	-35.31
7 η Hya	■	• 4.3	-2	↓	B 3	-1		370	8 43.2	3.40
α Pyx	■	• 3.7 *	-2	↓	B 2	-3		850	8 43.6	-33.19
11 ε Hya	■	• 3.4 *	0.7	↓	G 0	0	}	Sep. 43'	8 46.8	6.42
13 ρ Hya	■	• 4.4	0.0	↓	A 0	-1	•	340	8 48.4	5.84
γ Pyx	■	• 4.0	1.3	↓	K 3	0		210	8 50.5	-27.71
16 ζ Hya	■	• 3.1	1.0	↓	G 8	0		150	8 55.4	5.95
22 φ Hya	■	• 3.9	-1	↓	B 9	1		125	9 14.4	2.31
27 Hya	■	• 4.7 *	0.8	↓	G 6	0		225	9 20.5	-9.56
30 α Hya	■	• 2.0	1.4	↓	K 3	-2	.	Alphard	9 27.6	-8.66
31 τ¹ Hya	■	• 4.5 *	0.5	↓	F 7	3		57	9 29.1	-2.77
35 ν Hya	■	• 3.9	1.3	↓	K 3	-1		270	9 39.9	-1.14
39 v¹ Hya	■	• 4.1	0.9	↓	G 6	-1		280	9 51.5	-14.85
8 γ Sex	■	• 5.1	0.0	↓	A 2	1		260	9 52.5	-8.11
15 α Sex	■	• 4.5	0.0	↓	A 0	0		280	10 07.9	-0.37
41 λ Hya	■	• 3.6	1.0	↓	K 0	1		115	10 10.6	-12.35
42 μ Hya	■	• 3.8	1.5	↓	K 4	-1		250	10 26.1	-16.84
α Ant	■	• 4.3	1.4	↓	K 4	-1		360	10 27.2	-31.07
U Hya	■	• 4.7-5.1	3.0	.	C 6	-1		500	10 37.6	-13.38
35 Sex	■	• 5.8 *	1.2	↓	K 2	-1		700	10 43.3	4.75
ν Hya	■	• 3.1	1.2	↓	K 1	0		138	10 49.6	-16.19

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
α Pyx	■	• 3.7	8.0	-2	0.9	↓	106''.6
11 ε Hya	■	• 3.4	6.9	0.7	0.6	↓↓	2.9
27 Hya	■	• 4.8	7.0	0.9	0.4	↓↓	229.2
31 τ¹ Hya	■	• 4.6	7.2	0.4	0.9	↓↓	65.7
35 Sex	■	• 6.1	7.2	1.2	1.0	↓↓	6.8

VARIABLE STAR
U Hya
Period
Max.
Third of reddest stars in catalog.



# E11 Equator, Ecliptic Spring Constellations

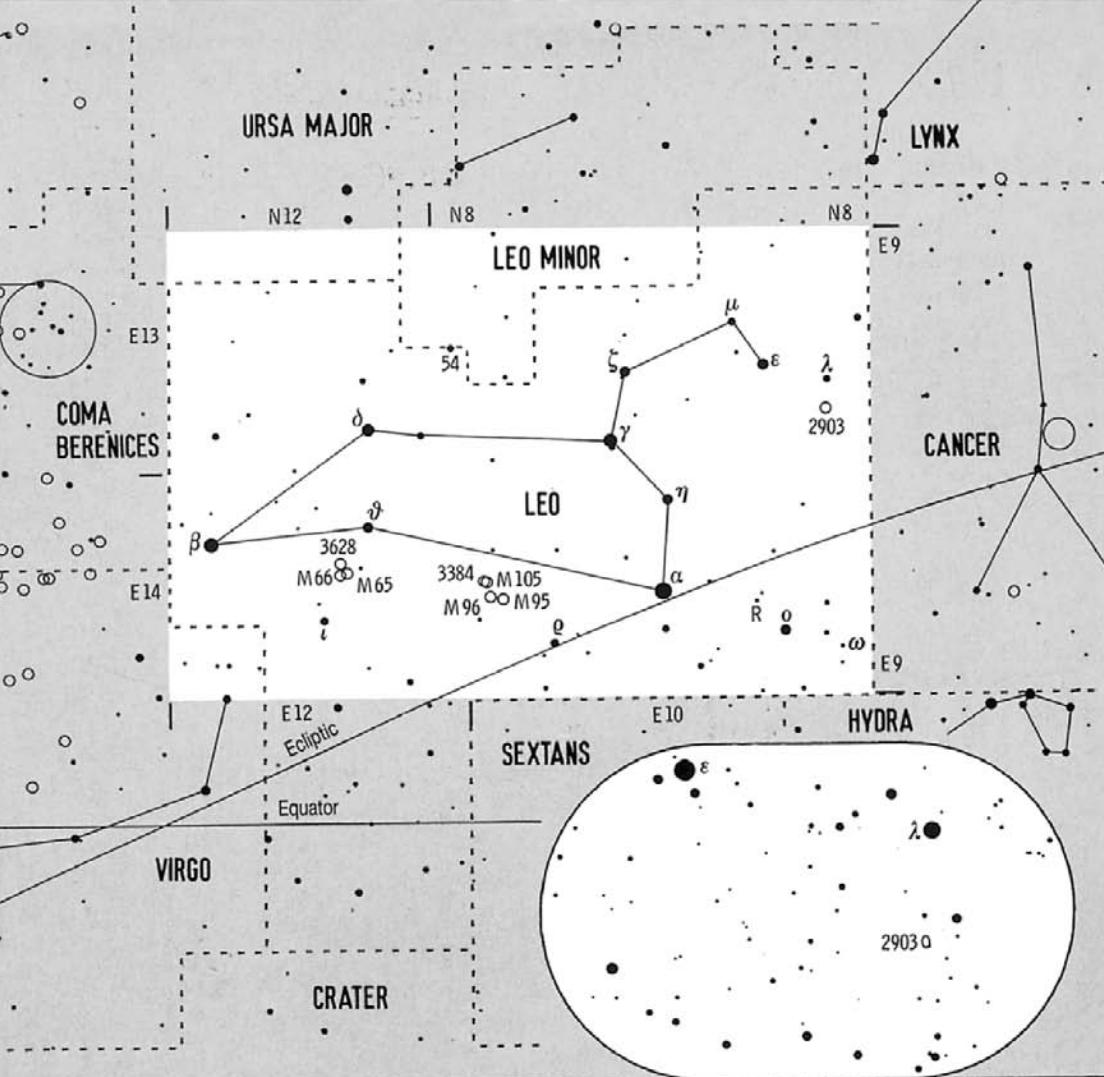
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2903 .....	Leo	9	13/□'	10'	○ Sc	Glx	○○	25 Mly	9 <sup>h</sup> 32 <sup>m</sup> .2 21°50'
3351 M 95	Leo	10	12	4	○ Sb	Glx	○○	40 M	10 44.0 11.70
3368 M 96	Leo	9½	12	5	○ Sa	Glx	○○	40 M	10 46.8 11.82
3379 M 105	Leo	9½	12	3	○ E1	Glx	○○	40 M	10 47.8 12.58
3384 .....	Leo	10	12	4	S0	Glx	○○	40 M	10 48.3 12.63
3623 M 65	Leo	9½	12	8	Sa	Glx	○○	35 M	11 18.9 13.09
3627 M 66	Leo	9	12	6	○ Sb	Glx	○○	35 M	11 20.2 12.99
3628 .....	Leo	9	12	12	Sb	Glx	○○	35 M	11 20.3 13.59

- 2903 ..... Galaxy with bright oval center, asymmetric, relatively easy to find.  
 3351 M 95 Stellar core, arms of barred spiral not detectable, 41' west of M 96.  
 3368 M 96 Elongated halo and central area; it contains a bright stellar core.  
 3379 M 105 Stellar core, more easily visible than M 95; it is 48' north of M 96.  
 3384 ..... Lies only 8' east of M 105, stellar core within a featureless nebula.  
 3623 M 65 Circular central region within a very elongated asymmetric halo.  
 3627 M 66 At the limit of visibility of binoculars; it is an interesting object in a telescope due to dark irregular dust features; the core is elongated.  
 3628 ..... Nicely elongated, a faint dust lane lies along the southern edge.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
2 ω Leo	●	5.4	★	0.6	↓	F 9	3 <sup>M</sup> . . . . .	112 ly	9 <sup>h</sup> 28 <sup>m</sup> .5	9°06'
4 λ Leo	8	4.3		1.5	↓	K 5 -1	. Alterf .	320	9 31.7	22.97
14 o Leo	● ●	3.5		0.5	↓	A 5 0	. . . . .	134	9 41.2	9.89
17 ε Leo	♂ ●	3.0		0.8	↓	G 0 -2	. . . . .	260	9 45.9	23.77
R Leo	●	5.8-10		1.4	↓	M 7 1	. . . . .	300	9 47.6	11.43
24 μ Leo	● ●	3.9		1.2	↓	K 0 1	. . . . .	134	9 52.8	26.01
30 η Leo	● ●	3.5		0.0	↓	A 0 -6	. . . . .	2000	10 07.3	16.76
32 α Leo	● ●	1.4	★	-1	↓	B 7 -1	. Regulus .	77	10 08.4	11.97
36 ζ Leo	● ●	3.4		0.3	↓	F 0 -1	. Aldhafera .	260	10 16.7	23.42
41 γ Leo	● ●	2.0	★	1.1	↓	K 0 -1	. Algieba .	125	10 20.0	19.84
47 ρ Leo	● ●	3.8		-1	↓	B 1 -6	. . . . .	3000	10 32.8	9.31
54 Leo	● ●	4.3	★	0.0	↓	A 1 0	. . . . .	290	10 55.6	24.75
68 δ Leo	● ●	2.6		0.1	↓	A 4 1	. . Zosma .	58	11 14.1	20.52
70 θ Leo	♂ ●	3.3		0.0	↓	A 2 0	. . Coxa .	170	11 14.2	15.43
78 ι Leo	♂ ●	4.0	★	0.4	↓	F 3 2	. . . . .	80	11 23.9	10.53
94 β Leo	● ●	2.1		0.1	↓	A 3 2	. Denebola .	36	11 49.1	14.57

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
2 ω Leo	●	5.9	6.5	0.6	0.6	11'5 0''.7	•• ○
						2020	0.9 •• ○
32 α Leo	● ●	1.4	7.9	-1	0.9	11 175.9	•• ○○
41 γ Leo	● ●	2.3	3.5	1.1	1.1	11 4.7	•• ○○
54 Leo	● ●	4.5	6.3	0.0	0.1	11 6.6	•• ○○
78 ι Leo	♂ ●	4.1	6.7	0.4	0.6	11'5 1.9	•• ○○
						2020	2.3 •• ○○

VARIABLE STAR	
R Leo	
Period	≈ 312 d
Max.	≈ 2454163
Min.	Max. + 180
Extrema	4.4-11.3
The period varies	by a few days.



# E12 Equator, Ecliptic Spring Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
4361 .....	Crv	10½	11/□'	1'.2	○ D	PN	⊕	5 000 ly	12 <sup>h</sup> 24 <sup>m</sup> .5 -18°79'
4590 M68	Hya	8	13	10	○ X	GC	⊕○	32 000	12 39.5 -26.74
4594 M104	Vir	8½	12	8	Sa	Glx	⊕○	50 M	12 40.0 -11.62
4697 .....	Vir	9½	11	2.5	○ E6	Glx	⊕○	50 M	12 48.6 -5.80

4361 .....

Faint planetary, requires high power; the central star is only mag. 13.

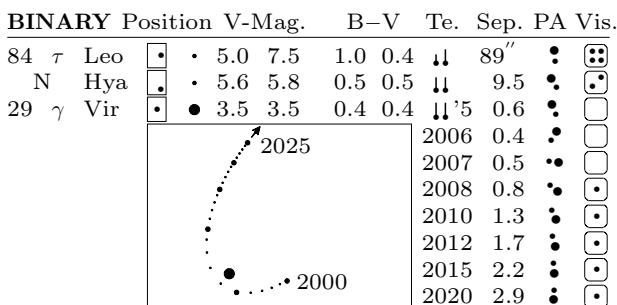
4590 M68 Resolved only in a telescope, but then even in the very center.

4594 M104 **Sombrero Galaxy**, very elongated, spindle shape barely visible in binoculars, impressive in a telescope, dust lane nearly right through the center, small double core; a chain of stars lies 25' to the west.

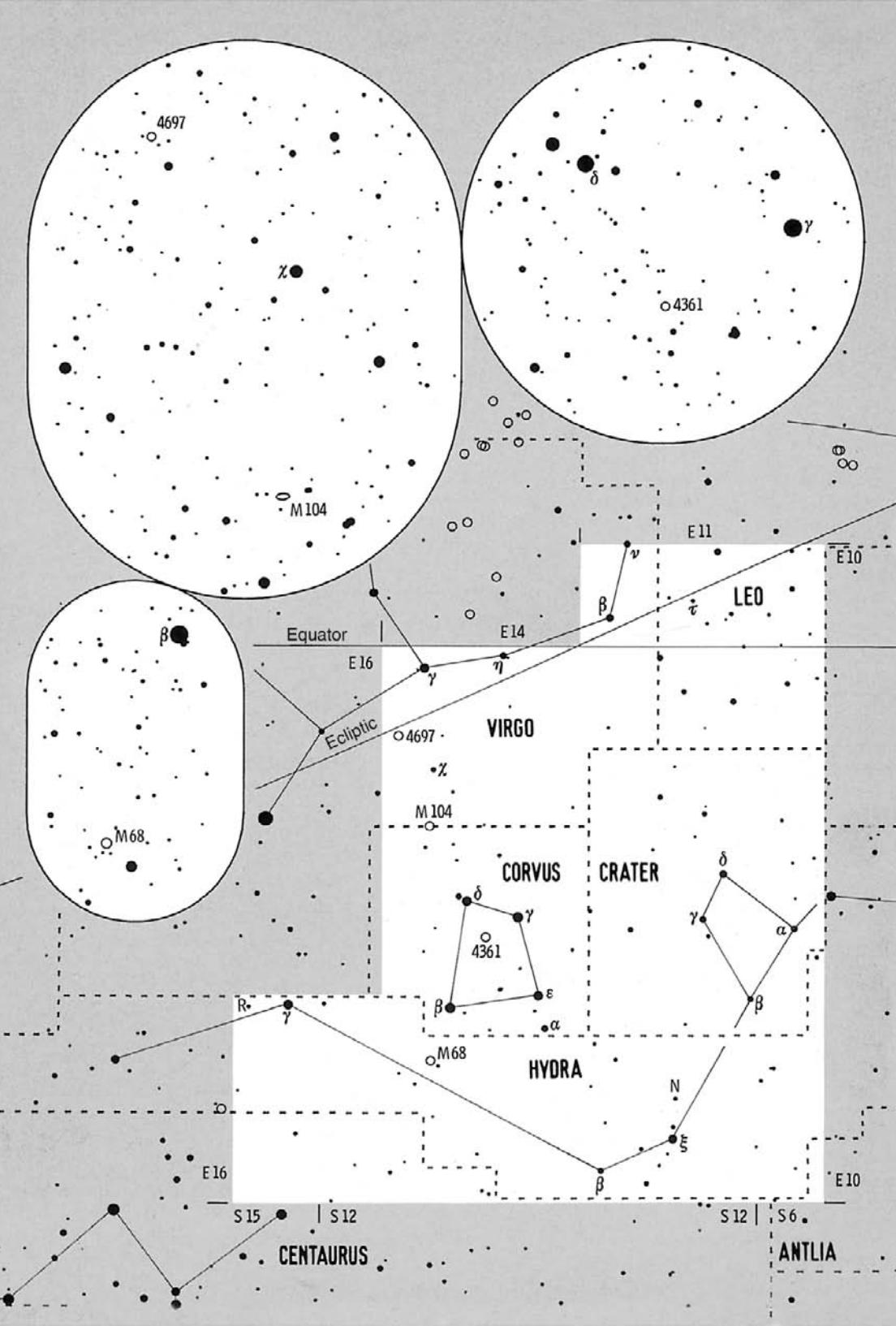
4697 .....

Small, elongated, contains a stellar nucleus, otherwise featureless.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
7 α Crt	◻ •	4.1	1.1	↓	K 1	0 <sup>M</sup>	. Alkes .	180 ly	10 <sup>h</sup> 59 <sup>m</sup> .8 -18°30'	
11 β Crt	◻ •	4.5	0.0	↓	A 1	0	. . . . .	260	11 11.7 -22.83	
12 δ Crt	◻ •	3.6	1.1	↓	K 0	0	. . . . .	200	11 19.3 -14.78	
15 γ Crt	◻ •	4.1	0.2	↓	A 7	2	. . . . .	84	11 24.9 -17.68	
84 τ Leo	◻ •	4.9 *	0.9	↓	G 8	-2	. . . . .	600, 1000	11 27.9 2.85	
N Hya	◻ •	4.9 *	0.5	↓	F 8	3	. . . . .	87	11 32.3 -29.26	
ξ Hya	◻ •	3.5	0.9	↓	G 8	1	. . . . .	130	11 33.0 -31.86	
3 ν Vir	◻ •	4.0	1.5	♦	M 0	-1	. . . . .	300	11 45.9 6.53	
5 β Vir	◻ •	3.6	0.5	↓	F 8	3	. Zawijava .	35.5	11 50.7 1.76	
β Hya	◻ •	4.3	-1	↓	B 9	-1	. . . . .	360	11 52.9 -33.91	
1 α Crv	◻ •	4.0	0.3	↓	F 0	3	. Alchiba .	49	12 08.4 -24.73	
2 ε Crv	◻ •	3.0	1.3	↓	K 2	-2	. . . . .	300	12 10.1 -22.62	
4 γ Crv	◻ •	2.6	-1	↓	B 8	-1	. Gienah .	165	12 15.8 -17.54	
15 η Vir	◻ •	3.9	0.0	↓	A 2	-1	. Zaniah .	260	12 19.9 -0.67	
7 δ Crv	◻ •	2.9	0.0	↓	B 9	1	. Algorab .	88	12 29.9 -16.52	
9 β Crv	◻ •	2.7	0.9	↓	G 5	-1	. . . . .	140	12 34.4 -23.40	
26 χ Vir	◻ •	4.6	1.2	↓	K 2	0	. . . . .	310	12 39.2 -8.00	
29 γ Vir	◻ •	2.7 *	0.4	↓	F 0	2	. Porrima .	39	12 41.7 -1.45	
46 γ Hya	◻ •	3.0	0.9	↓	G 8	0	. . . . .	132	13 18.9 -23.17	
R Hya	◻ •	4.9-9.0	1.6	♦	M 6	-2	. . . . .	800	13 29.7 -23.28	



VARIABLE STAR	
R Hya	
Period	387 d
Max.	2454021
Min.	Max. +200
Extrema	3.5-10.9
The period has been decreasing; it was close to 500 days during the early 1700s.	



# E13 Equator, Ecliptic Spring Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
Coma Cluster	Com	2½	13/□' 300'	○ p	OC	☒	290 ly	12 <sup>h</sup> 25 <sup>m</sup>	26.0°
4494 .....	Com	10	11	2	O E2	Glx	50 M	12 31.4	25.77
4559 .....	Com	10	13	8	○ Sd	Glx	35 M	12 36.0	27.96
4565 .....	Com	10	13	15	Sb	Glx	50 M	12 36.3	25.99
4631 .....	CVn	9½	12	12	Sd	Glx	30 M	12 42.1	32.54
4656 .....	CVn	10½	13	12	Sm	Glx	30 M	12 44.0	32.17
4725 .....	Com	9½	14	9	○ Sa	Glx	50 M	12 50.4	25.50
4826 M 64	Com	9	12	6	○ Sa	Glx	22 M	12 56.7	21.68
5024 M 53	Com	8	12	7	○ V	GC	60000	13 12.9	18.17

Coma Cluster Distinctly visible with unaided eye under dark sky counting about 10 stars, fine in opera glasses, almost too big for binoculars, completely inconspicuous in a telescope, see comment at bottom right.  
 4494 .....

Quite bright core within a uniform nebulosity, almost circular.

4559 .....

Distinctly elongated; central region has a slightly asymmetric shape.

4565 .....

Wonderful edge-on galaxy, impressively long in a telescope, huge true size, nearly central dust lane in the bright part of the galaxy, irregular brightness distribution in central area, thin extensions.

4631 .....

Edge-on galaxy like NGC 4565, but no dust lane, many irregular knots and asymmetries visible in a telescope, worthwhile object.

4656 .....

Difficult edge-on galaxy, very long, modestly bright central region; the other condensation 3' northeast of the core is called NGC 4657.

4725 .....

Dark sky and low power necessary, small faint core visible in a telescope, but not the bar; the halo has extremely low surface brightness.

4826 M 64

**Black Eye Galaxy**, elongated dark dust feature next to the core just visible in a telescope, distinct elongated central region south of the geometric center; the outer outline is sharp unlike most galaxies.

5024 M 53

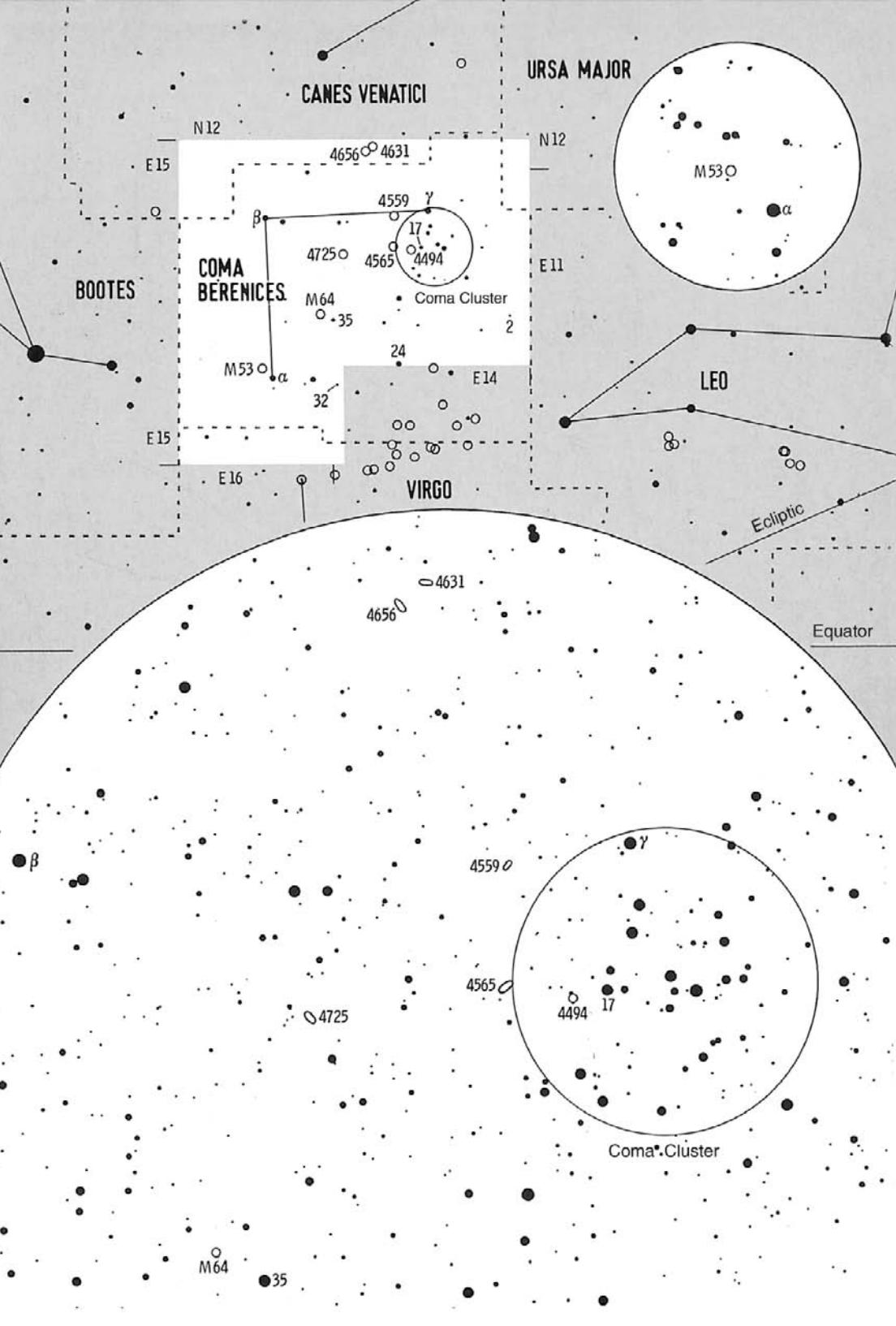
Distinct core; the outer regions are partially resolved in a telescope.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.		
2	Com	●	·	5.8	★	0.2	↓ F 0	1 <sup>M</sup>	350 ly	12 <sup>h</sup> 04 <sup>m</sup> .3	21.46	
15 γ	Com	○	●	4.4		1.1	↓ K 2	1	170	12 26.9	28.27	
17	Com	○	●	5.0	★	0.0	↓ A 0	0 in Coma Cluster	280	12 28.9	25.91	
24	Com	●	●	4.8	★	0.9	↓ G 8 -1		500	12 35.1	18.38	
32,33	Com	●	●	5.8	★	1.1	↓ K 2 -2		1500,400	12 52.3	17.09	
35	Com	○	●	4.9	★	0.9	↓ G 7	0	330	12 53.3	21.24	
42 α	Com	○	●	4.3		0.5	↓ F 5	3	Diadem	.	13 10.0	17.53
43 β	Com	○	●	4.2		0.6	↓ G 0	4		30	13 11.9	27.88

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
2	Com	●	·	6.1	7.5	0.2	0.3
17	Com	○	●	5.3	6.6	0.0	0.2
24	Com	●	●	5.0	6.5	1.1	0.3
32,33	Com	●	●	6.3	6.9	1.6	0.6
35	Com	○	●	5.0	7.2	1.0	0.4

## COMA CLUSTER

- 1) The group of stars visible by unaided eye.
- 2) This name may also refer to a distant cluster of galaxies.



# E14 Equator, Ecliptic Spring Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
4192 M 98	Com	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	13/10'	7'	I Sa	Glx	⊕	60 Mly	12 <sup>b</sup> 13. <sup>m</sup> 8	14. <sup>o</sup> 90
4216 .....	Vir	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	13	8	I Sb	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 15.9	13.15
4254 M 99	Com	10	13	4	O Sc	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 18.8	14.42
4303 M 61	Vir	10	12	4	O Sc	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 21.9	4.47
4321 M 100	Com	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	13	5	O Sc	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 22.9	15.82
4374 M 84	Vir	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	12	3	O E1	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 25.1	12.89
4382 M 85	Com	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	12	4	O S0	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 25.4	18.19
4406 M 86	Vir	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	12	4	O E3	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 26.2	12.94
3C 273	Vir	13	(8)	<0.1	O Quasar		2500 M	12 29.1	2.05	
4472 M 49	Vir	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	12	5	O E2	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 29.8	8.00
4486 M 87	Vir	9	12	4	O E1	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 30.8	12.39
4501 M 88	Com	10	13	6	O Sb	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 32.0	14.42
4526 .....	Vir	10	11	4	I S0	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 34.0	7.70
4548 M 91	Com	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	13	3.5	O Sb	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 35.4	14.50
4552 M 89	Vir	10	11	2	O E0	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 35.7	12.56
4569 M 90	Vir	10	13	8	I Sa	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 36.8	13.16
4579 M 58	Vir	10	13	5	O Sb	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 37.7	11.82
4621 M 59	Vir	10	11	2.5	O E5	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 42.0	11.65
4649 M 60	Vir	9	11	3	O E2	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 43.7	11.55
4762 .....	Vir	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	11	5	S0	Glx	⊕	60 M	12 52.9	11.23

The **Virgo Cluster** is the nearest of the rich clusters of galaxies. The central region is marked as the dashed oval in the chart at bottom. The whole area of the cluster includes galaxies in the charts N10–N14 and E10–E14. Near the center, faint galaxies are so abundant that it is hard to find one's way around.

4192 M 98 Distinctly elongated with faint diffuse halo, core not outstanding.

4216 .....

Fine, remarkable edge-on galaxy although very faint, stellar core.

4254 M 99 Bright central area, light patches and a hint of the southern spiral arm; 40' east are the magnitude 12 galaxies NGC 4298 and 4302.

4303 M 61 Bright core; the spiral arms are only barely visible in a telescope.

4321 M 100 Elongated central area with a stellar nucleus; the halo is uniform.

4374 M 84 Featureless glow; 16' south is elongated mag. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  galaxy NGC 4388.

4382 M 85 Bright central area; 8' east is mag. 11 companion galaxy NGC 4394.

4406 M 86 Featureless; **Makarian's Galaxy Chain** to M 88, galaxies mag. 11.

3C 273 Brightest **Quasar**, probably an active, especially bright nucleus of a galaxy at enormous distance, visible as a very faint stellar dot.

4472 M 49 The brightest galaxy of the Virgo Cluster, a large luminous galaxy.

4486 M 87 **Virgo A**, central galaxy of the Virgo Cluster, bright round core.

4501 M 88 Asymmetric halo, faint detail; **Makarian's Galaxy Chain** to M 86.

4526 .....

Asymmetric, nucleus not centered in the galaxy, takes high power.

4548 M 91 Featureless; Messier's M 91 not uniquely identified as NGC 4548.

4552 M 89 Small circular galaxy, a round glow with a bright, nearly stellar core.

4569 M 90 Bright central elongated area, largest galaxy of the Virgo Cluster.

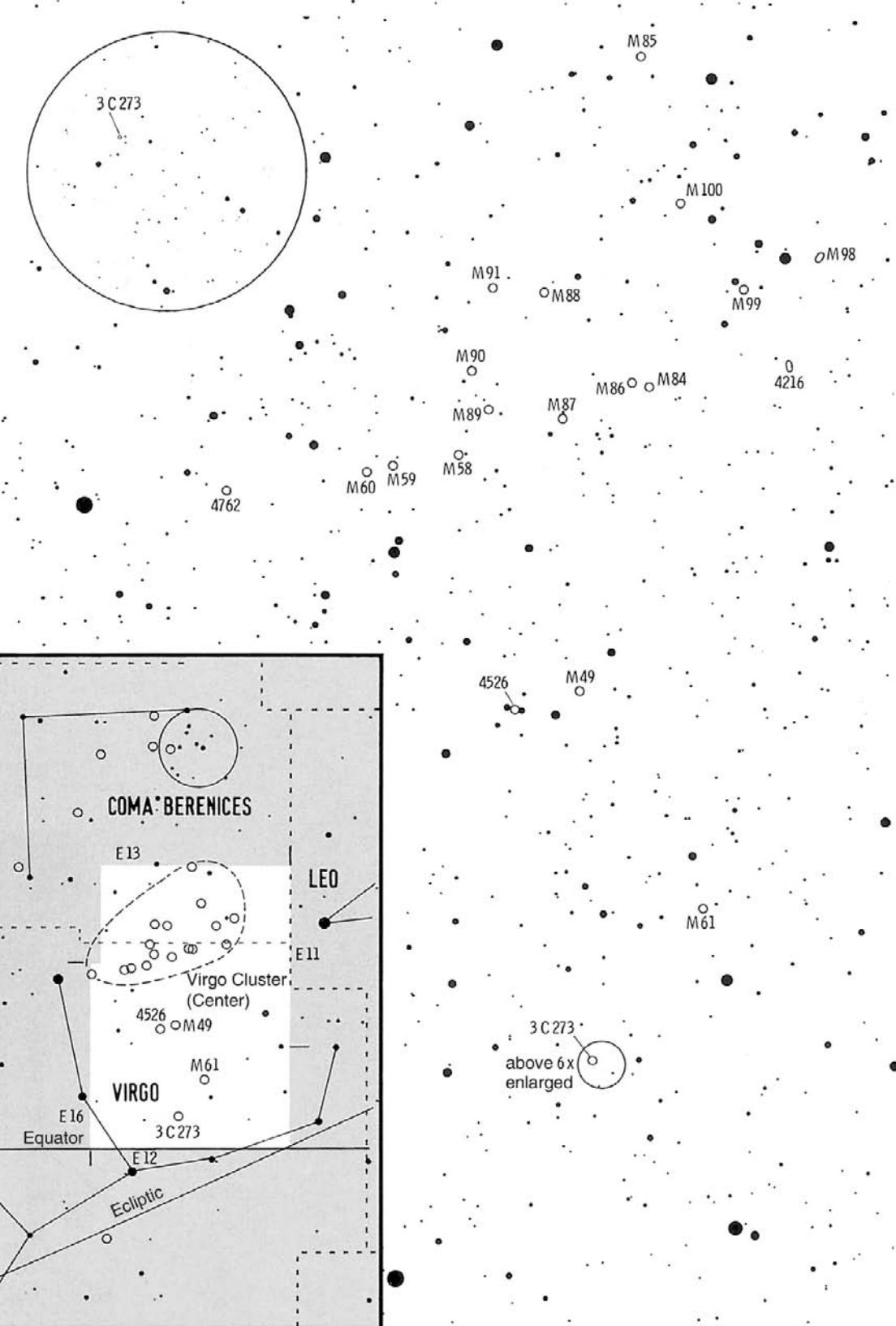
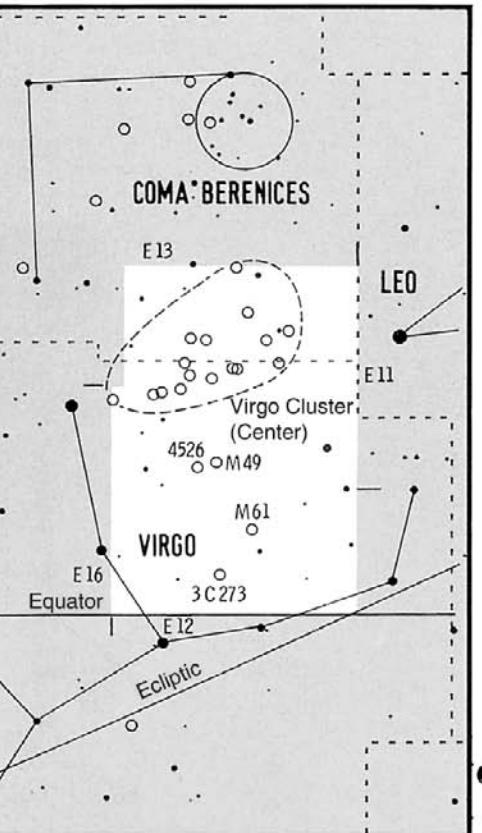
4579 M 58 The bar of the barred spiral is just barely visible in a telescope.

4621 M 59 Elongated halo, round central area, stellar core, medium power best.

4649 M 60 Intense stellar core; 3' northwest is mag. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  galaxy NGC 4647.

4762 .....

Faint spindle, elongated core; 11' northwest is mag. 11 NGC 4754.



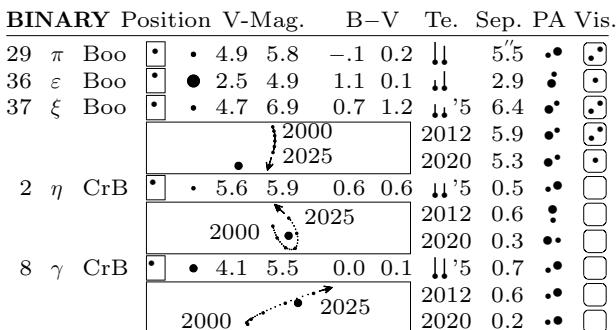
# E15

Equator, Ecliptic Spring–Summer Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
5272 M3	CVn	6½	11/□'	10'	○ VI	GC	35 000 ly	13 <sup>h</sup> 42 <sup>m</sup> .2	28°38'
5746 .....	Vir	11	12	6	Sb	Glx	80 M	14 44.9	1.95
5904 M5	Ser	6	11	12	○ V	GC	25 000	15 18.6	2.08

- 5272 M3 Bright globular cluster, but hard to find, especially outer parts resolved in a telescope, rectangular central area with the small core west of the geometric center, oval halo, curved radial chains of stars.  
 5746 .....
- Very faint, almost edge-on, furthest galaxy of this catalog; the mag. 3.7 star 109 Virginis simplifies finding but interferes with observing.
- 5904 M5 Excellent, especially in a telescope, relatively easily resolved, several dense areas and chains of stars, asymmetric elliptical halo; this is the brightest globular cluster of the northern celestial hemisphere.

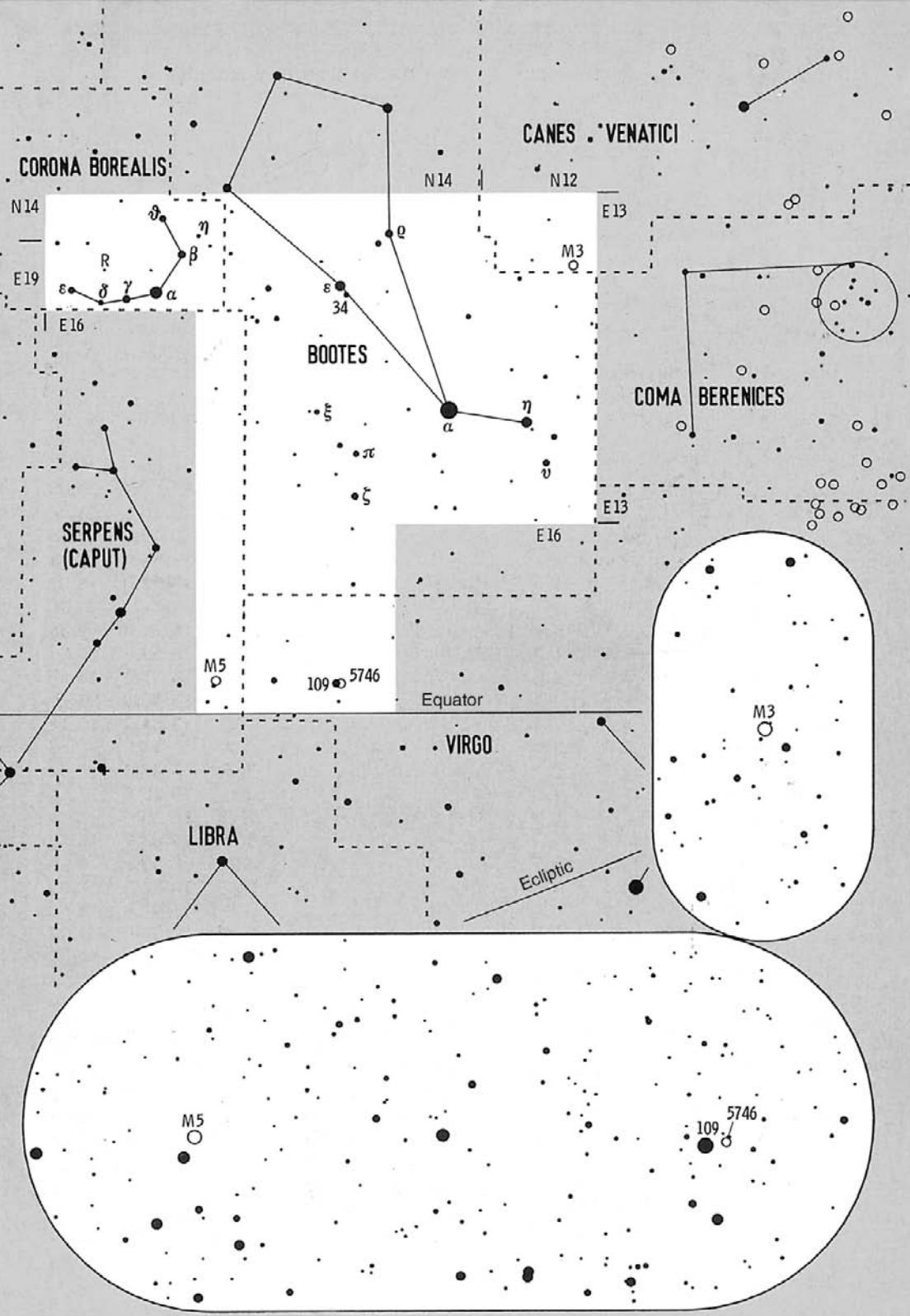
STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
5 <i>v</i> Boo	■ •	4.1	1.5	↓	K5	0 <sup>M</sup>	.	250 ly	13 <sup>h</sup> 49 <sup>m</sup> .5	15°80'
8 <i>η</i> Boo	■ •	2.7	0.6	↓	G0	2	.	Muphrid	36.5	13 54.7
16 <i>α</i> Boo	■ ●	0.0	1.2	↓	K2	0	.	Arcturus	36.5	14 15.7
25 <i>ρ</i> Boo	■ •	3.6	1.3	↓	K3	0	.	.	155	14 31.8
29 <i>π</i> Boo	■ •	4.5	* 0.0	↓	A1	0	.	.	320	14 40.7
30 <i>ζ</i> Boo	■ •	3.8	0.0	↓	A3	0	.	.	180	14 41.1
34 Boo	■ •	4.7–4.9	1.7	•	M3	-2	.	W Bootis	800	14 43.4
36 <i>ε</i> Boo	■ •	2.4	* 1.0	↓	G9	-2	Izar, Pulcherrima	210	14 45.0	27.07
109 Vir	■ •	3.7	0.0	↓	A0	1	.	.	130	14 46.2
37 <i>ξ</i> Boo	■ •	4.5	* 0.7	↓	G8	5	.	.	21.9	14 51.4
2 <i>η</i> CrB	■ •	5.0	* 0.6	↓	G2	4	.	.	59	15 23.2
3 <i>β</i> CrB	■ •	3.7	0.3	↓	F0	1	.	Nusakan	116	15 27.8
4 <i>θ</i> CrB	■ •	4.1	-1	↓	B6	-1	.	.	310	15 32.9
5 <i>α</i> CrB	■ •	2.2	0.0	↓	A0	0	Alphekka, Gemma	75	15 34.7	
8 <i>γ</i> CrB	■ •	3.8	* 0.0	↓	A1	1	.	.	145	15 42.7
R CrB	■ •	5.7–6.3	0.7	↓	G0	-5	.	.	4000	15 48.6
10 <i>δ</i> CrB	■ •	4.6	0.8	↓	G5	1	.	.	165	15 49.6
13 <i>ε</i> CrB	■ •	4.1	1.2	↓	K3	0	.	.	230	15 57.6



**VARIABLE STAR**

34 W Boo □ • semireg.  
 Period 30–450 d  
 Extrema 4.7–5.4

R CrB □ • irregular  
 Extrema 5.7–14.8  
 R CrB stars are variables staying usually near maximum light with a rapid decrease and slow increase.



# E16 Equator, Ecliptic Spring–Summer Constellations

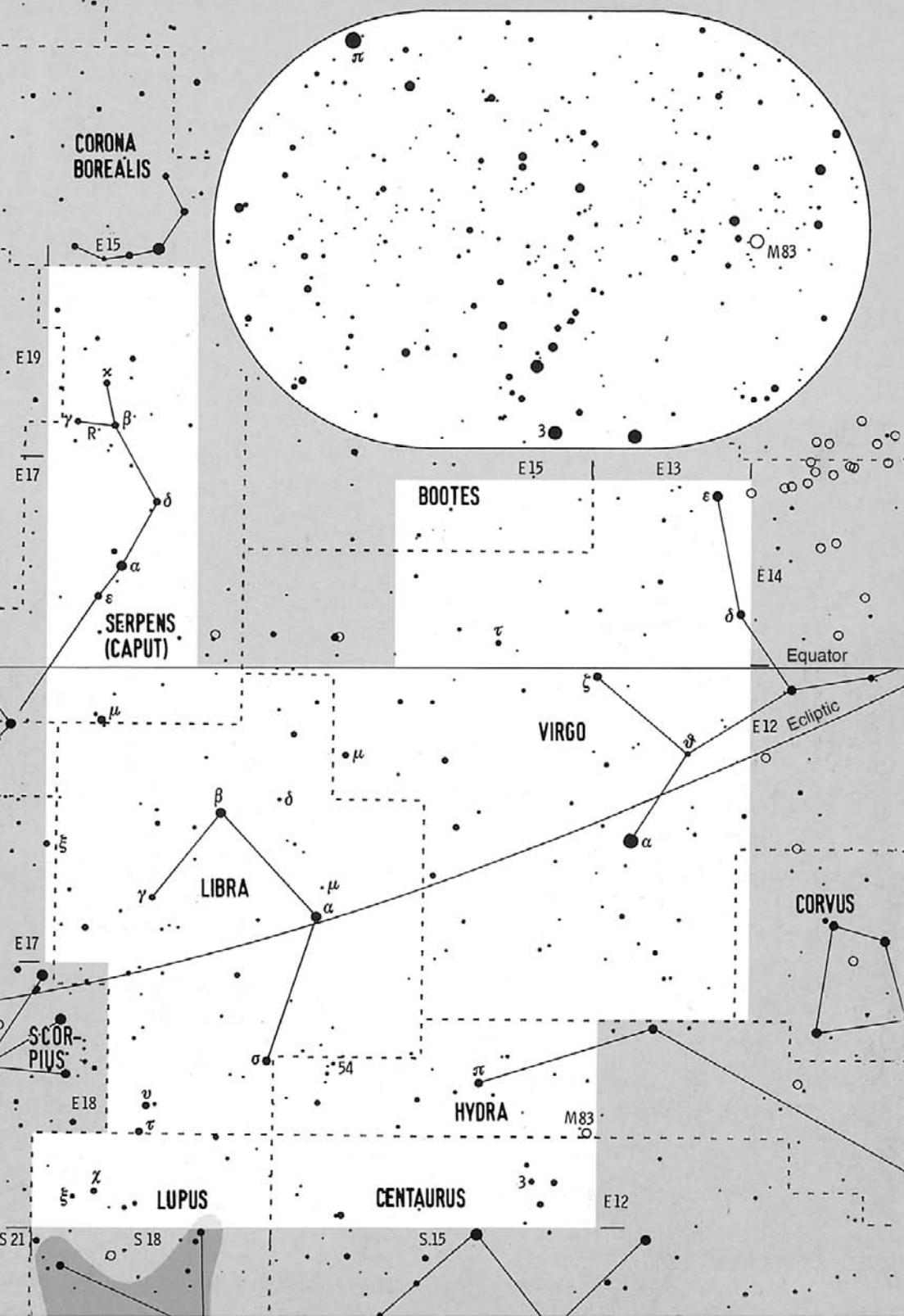
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
5236 M83 Hya	⌚	8	12/□'	8'	○ Sc Glx	⌚	18 Mly	13 <sup>h</sup> 37 <sup>m</sup> .0	-29. <sup>87</sup>

5236 M83 Bright core, elongated bar with traces of two spiral arms, large halo.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
43 δ Vir	⌚	3.4	1.6	•	M3	-1 <sup>M</sup>	.	200 ly	12 <sup>h</sup> 55 <sup>m</sup> .6	3. <sup>40</sup>
47 ε Vir	⌚	2.8	0.9	↓	G8	0	Vindemiatrix	103	13 02.2	10.96
51 θ Vir	⌚	4.4	0.0	•	A 1	-1	.	400	13 09.9	-5.54
67 α Vir	⌚	1.0	-.2	↓	B 1	-4	Spica	260	13 25.2	-11.16
79 ζ Vir	⌚	3.4	0.1	↓	A 3	2	.	74	13 34.7	-0.60
3 Cen	⌚	4.3	* -.1	↓	B 5	-1	.	320	13 51.8	-32.99
93 τ Vir	⌚	4.2	0.1	↓	A 3	0	.	220	14 01.6	1.54
49 π Hya	⌚	3.3	1.1	↓	K 2	1	.	104	14 06.4	-26.68
107 μ Vir	⌚	3.9	0.4	↓	F 2	3	.	61	14 43.1	-5.66
54 Hya	⌚	5.0	* 0.3	↓	F 2	3	.	100	14 46.0	-25.44
7 μ Lib	⌚	5.3	* 0.1	↓	A 2	1	.	230	14 49.3	-14.15
9.8 α Lib	⌚	2.6	* 0.2	↓	A 4	1	Zubenelgenubi	78	14 50.9	-16.04
19 δ Lib	⌚	4.9-5.9	0.0	↓	B 9	0	.	310	15 01.0	-8.52
20 σ Lib	⌚	3.3	1.7	↑	M3	-1	.	280	15 04.1	-25.28
27 β Lib	⌚	2.6	-.1	↓	B 8	-1	Zubeneschamali	160	15 17.0	-9.38
13 δ Ser	⌚	3.8	* 0.3	↓	F 0	0	.	210	15 34.8	10.54
38 γ Lib	⌚	3.9	1.0	↓	K 0	1	.	150	15 35.5	-14.79
39 ν Lib	⌚	3.6	1.4	↑	K 3	0	.	200	15 37.0	-28.13
40 τ Lib	⌚	3.7	-.2	↓	B 2	-2	.	450	15 38.7	-29.78
24 α Ser	⌚	2.6	1.2	↓	K 2	1	.Unukalhai	73	15 44.3	6.43
28 β Ser	⌚	3.7	0.1	↓	A 3	0	.	155	15 46.2	15.42
35 κ Ser	⌚	4.1	1.6	↑	M1	-1	.	350	15 48.7	18.14
32 μ Ser	⌚	3.5	0.0	↓	A 0	0	.	155	15 49.6	-3.43
R Ser	⌚	6.0-13	1.4	↓	M5	-2	.	1000	15 50.7	15.13
37 ε Ser	⌚	3.7	0.1	↓	A 2	2	.	70	15 50.8	4.48
5 χ Lup	⌚	4.0	0.0	↓	B 9	0	.	210	15 51.0	-33.63
41 γ Ser	⌚	3.9	0.5	↓	F 6	4	.	36.5	15 56.5	15.66
ξ Lup	⌚	4.6	* 0.1	↓	A 1	1	.	210	15 56.9	-33.97
ξ Sco	⌚	4.1	* 0.5	↓	F 6	2	.	100	16 04.4	-11.37

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
3 Cen	⌚	4.6	6.1	-.1	0.0		7'.8 • ⌚
54 Hya	⌚	5.1	7.1	0.3	0.6		8.2 • ⌚
7 μ Lib	⌚	5.7	6.7	0.0	0.2		2.0 ⚡ ⌚
9.8 α Lib	⌚	2.8	5.2	0.2	0.4		231.1 ⚡ ⌚
13 δ Ser	⌚	4.2	5.2	0.3	0.3		4.0 ⚡ ⌚
ξ Lup	⌚	5.1	5.6	0.1	0.1		10.2 ⚡ ⌚
ξ Sco	⌚	4.1*	6.9	0.5	0.8		280.4 ⚡ ⌚
		4.2*	7.3				
		4.8	5.1				
		0.5	0.7			7.7 ⚡ ⌚	
		0.5	0.5			1.0 ⚡ ⌚	

VARIABLE STAR
19 δ Lib ⌚ • ⌚
Period 2.32736 d
Min. 2454001.70
Eclipse 12 hours
Period variable.
R Ser ⌚ • ⌚
Period 356 d
Max. 2454036
Min. Max.+210



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NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6171 M 107	Oph	8½	12/□'	6'	○ X	GC	20 000 ly	16 <sup>h</sup> 32 <sup>m</sup> .5	-13.06
6218 M 12	Oph	7	12	12	○ IX	GC	16 000	16 47.2	-1.95
6254 M 10	Oph	7	12	12	○ VII	GC	14 000	16 57.1	-4.10
6333 M 9	Oph	8	11	5	○ VIII	GC	25 000	17 19.2	-18.52
6402 M 14	Oph	8	12	8	○ VIII	GC	30 000	17 37.6	-3.24
IC 4665 ...	Oph	4½	13	50	○ p	OC	1 000	17 46.3	5.72

- 6171 M 107 Very difficult to resolve even in a telescope, uniform, oval halo.  
 6218 M 12 Slightly elliptical glow in binoculars, well resolved in a telescope, looks similar to some rich open clusters, chains of stars in the halo.  
 6254 M 10 Outer region well resolved in a telescope, nebulous background, oval.  
 6333 M 9 Barely resolvable, similar globular cluster NGC 6356 is 1° northeast.  
 6402 M 14 Oval featureless nebula in a telescope, not resolvable into stars.  
 IC 4665 ... Conspicuous in opera glasses or binoculars, but not in a telescope.

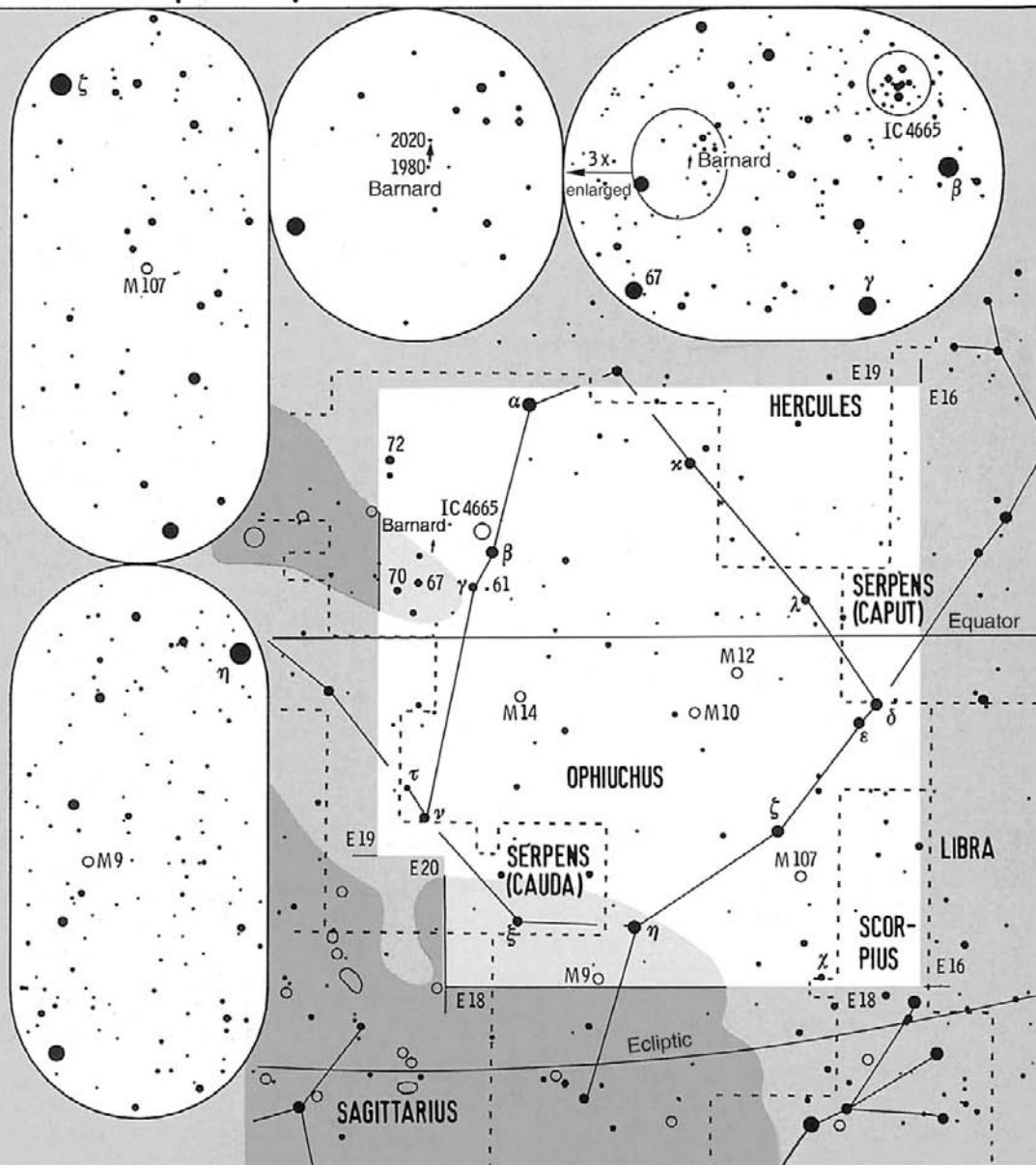
STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1 δ	Oph	2.7	1.6	+	M 1 -1 <sup>M</sup>	. Yed Prior .	170 ly	16 <sup>h</sup> 14 <sup>m</sup> .3	-3°.69	
2 ε	Oph	3.2	1.0	↓	G 8 1	Yed Posterior	109	16 18.3	-4.69	
7 χ	Oph	4.2-4.7	0.2	↓	B 2 -2	.....	500	16 27.0	-18.46	
10 λ	Oph	3.8	* 0.0	↓	A 2 0	.. Marfik ..	170	16 30.9	1.98	
13 ζ	Oph	2.5	0.0	↓	O 9 -3	.....	460	16 37.2	-10.57	
27 κ	Oph	3.2	1.2	↓	K 2 1	.....	86	16 57.7	9.38	
35 η	Oph	2.4	0.1	↓	A 2 0	.. Sabik ..	83	17 10.4	-15.72	
55 α	Oph	2.1	0.1	↓	A 5 1	Rasalhague	47	17 34.9	12.56	
55 ξ	Ser	3.5	0.3	↓	F 0 1	.....	105	17 37.6	-15.40	
60 β	Oph	2.8	1.2	↓	K 2 1	. Cebalrai .	82	17 43.5	4.57	
61	Oph	5.6	* 0.1	↓	A 1 0	.....	500	17 44.6	2.58	
62 γ	Oph	3.8	0.0	↓	A 0 1	.....	95	17 47.9	2.71	
Barnard	⊗	9.5	1.6	↓	M 4 13	Barnard's Star	5.94	17 57.8	4.69	
64 ν	Oph	3.3	1.0	↓	K 0 0	.....	150	17 59.0	-9.77	
67	Oph	3.9	* 0.0	↓	B 5 -5	.....	2000	18 00.6	2.93	
69 τ	Oph	4.8	* 0.4	↓	F 4 1	.....	170	18 03.1	-8.18	
70	Oph	4.0	* 0.9	↓	K 1 5	.....	16.6	18 05.5	2.50	
72	Oph	3.7	* 0.2	↓	A 4 1	.....	83,400	18 07.4	9.56	

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
10 λ	Oph	4.2	5.2	0.0	0.1	11'	• ⊖
61	Oph	6.2	6.6	0.1	0.1	20.7	•• ⊖
67	Oph	4.0	8.1	0.0	0.0	54.4	• ⊖
69 τ	Oph	5.2	5.9	0.4	0.4	11'5	1.7 •• ⊖
						2020	1.5 •• ⊖
70	Oph	4.2	6.0	0.8	1.1	11'5	4.9 •• ⊖
						2012	6.0 •• ⊖
						2025	2000
						2020	6.6 •• ⊖
72	Oph	3.7	7.5	0.1	1.1	11'	287 • ⊖

## VARIABLE STAR

7 χ Oph ⊖ • irregular

**Note: Barnard's Star**  
 It is the star with the largest proper motion of 10.4/year, also the nearest star in the northern hemisphere, distance 2015: 5.93 ly.



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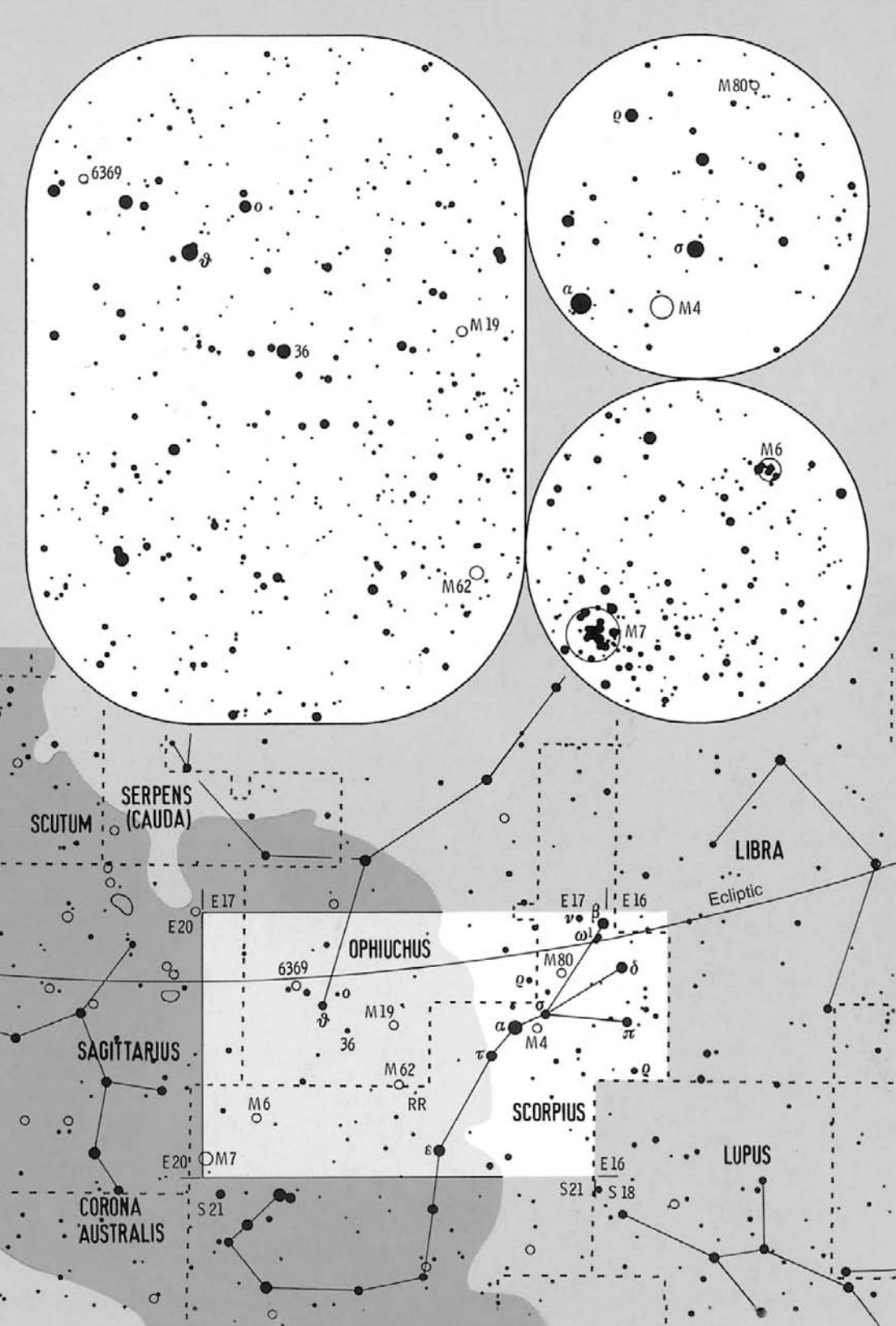
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6093 M 80	Sco	7½	11/□'	5'	○ II	GC	32000 ly	16 <sup>h</sup> 17 <sup>m</sup> .0	-22°.98
6121 M 4	Sco	6	12	18	○ IX	GC	7000	16 23.6	-26.53
6266 M 62	Oph	7	11	8	○ IV	GC	22000	17 01.2	-30.11
6273 M 19	Oph	7	11	8	○ VIII	GC	28000	17 02.6	-26.27
6369 .....	Oph	11	9	0.5	○ R	PN	4000	17 29.3	-23.76
6405 M 6	Sco	4½	10	20	○ m	OC	1700	17 40.2	-32.25
6475 M 7	Sco	3½	12	50	○ m	OC	900	17 53.9	-34.82

6093 M 80	Very bright central area, takes high power, but hardly resolvable.
6121 M 4	Easy to find, beautifully resolved in a telescope, central stellar bar.
6266 M 62	Distinctly asymmetric, nebulous arms, interesting globular cluster.
6273 M 19	Quite oval, edges are resolvable into stars, asymmetric, large core.
6369 .....	Difficult, stellar at low power, a disk at high power, hardly a ring.
6405 M 6	<b>Butterfly Cluster</b> , an excellent object for every scope, elongated.
6475 M 7	Easily visible by unaided eye, nicely resolved in opera glasses, not better in a telescope, irregular; it is the southernmost Messier object.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
5 $\varrho$ Sco	■	● 3.9	-.2	↓	B 2 - 2 <sup>M</sup>	.....	.....	450 ly	15 <sup>h</sup> 56 <sup>m</sup> .9	-29°.21
6 $\pi$ Sco	■	● 2.9	-.2	↓	B 1 - 3	.....	.....	450	15 58.9	-26.11
7 $\delta$ Sco	■	● 1.6-2.3	-.1	↓	B 0 - 3	.....	.....	450	16 00.3	-22.62
8 $\beta$ Sco	■	● 2.4 *	-.1	↓	B 1 - 4	.. Acrab ..	600	16 05.4	-19.80	
9 $\omega^1$ Sco	■	● 3.9	0.0	↓	B 1 - 2	.....	.....	420	16 06.8	-20.67
14 $\nu$ Sco	■	● 3.9 *	0.0	↓	B 3 - 2	.....	.....	420	16 12.0	-19.46
20 $\sigma$ Sco	■	● 2.9	0.2	↓	B 1 - 4	.....	.....	800	16 21.2	-25.59
5 $\varrho$ Oph	■	● 4.4 *	0.2	↓	B 2 - 1	.....	.....	420	16 25.6	-23.44
21 $\alpha$ Sco	■	● 0.9-1.1*	1.8	↑	M 1 - 5	.. Antares ..	450	16 29.4	-26.43	
23 $\tau$ Sco	■	● 2.8	-.2	↓	B 0 - 3	.....	.....	450	16 35.9	-28.22
26 $\varepsilon$ Sco	■	● 2.3	1.1	↓	K 2 1	.....	.....	65	16 50.2	-34.29
RR Sco	■	● 6.0-10	1.3	↓	M 6 - 2	.....	.....	1000	16 56.6	-30.58
36 Oph	■	● 4.3 *	0.9	↓	K 2 5	.....	.....	19.5	17 15.3	-26.60
39 $\circ$ Oph	■	● 4.9 *	0.9	↓	G 8 0	.....	.....	350	17 18.0	-24.29
42 $\vartheta$ Oph	■	● 3.3	-.2	↓	B 2 - 3	.....	.....	550	17 22.0	-25.00

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
8 $\beta$ Sco	■	● 2.6	4.9	-.1	0.0	11	13.7 ●
14 $\nu$ Sco	■	● 4.0*	6.3*	0.0	0.1	11	41.0 ●
	A		4.4	5.4	0.0	0.0	11
	B		6.7	7.8	0.1	0.2	11
5 $\varrho$ Oph	■	● 4.6*	6.8	0.2	0.3	11	156.3 ●
	"		7.3	"	0.3	↓	151.1 ●
	"		5.0	5.7	0.2	0.2	11
21 $\alpha$ Sco	■	● 1	5.5	1.9	0.0	↓	2.5 ●
36 Oph	■	● 5.1	5.1	0.9	0.9	11	5.0 ●
39 $\circ$ Oph	■	● 5.1	6.6	1.0	0.5	11	10.1 ●

VARIABLE STAR
7 $\delta$ Sco
● irregular
mag. 2.3 until 2000
21 $\alpha$ Sco
● semireg.
Period 4-5 years
Extrema 0.9-1.8
RR Sco
●
Period 277 d
Max. 2454058
Min. Max. +150
Extrema 5.0-12.4



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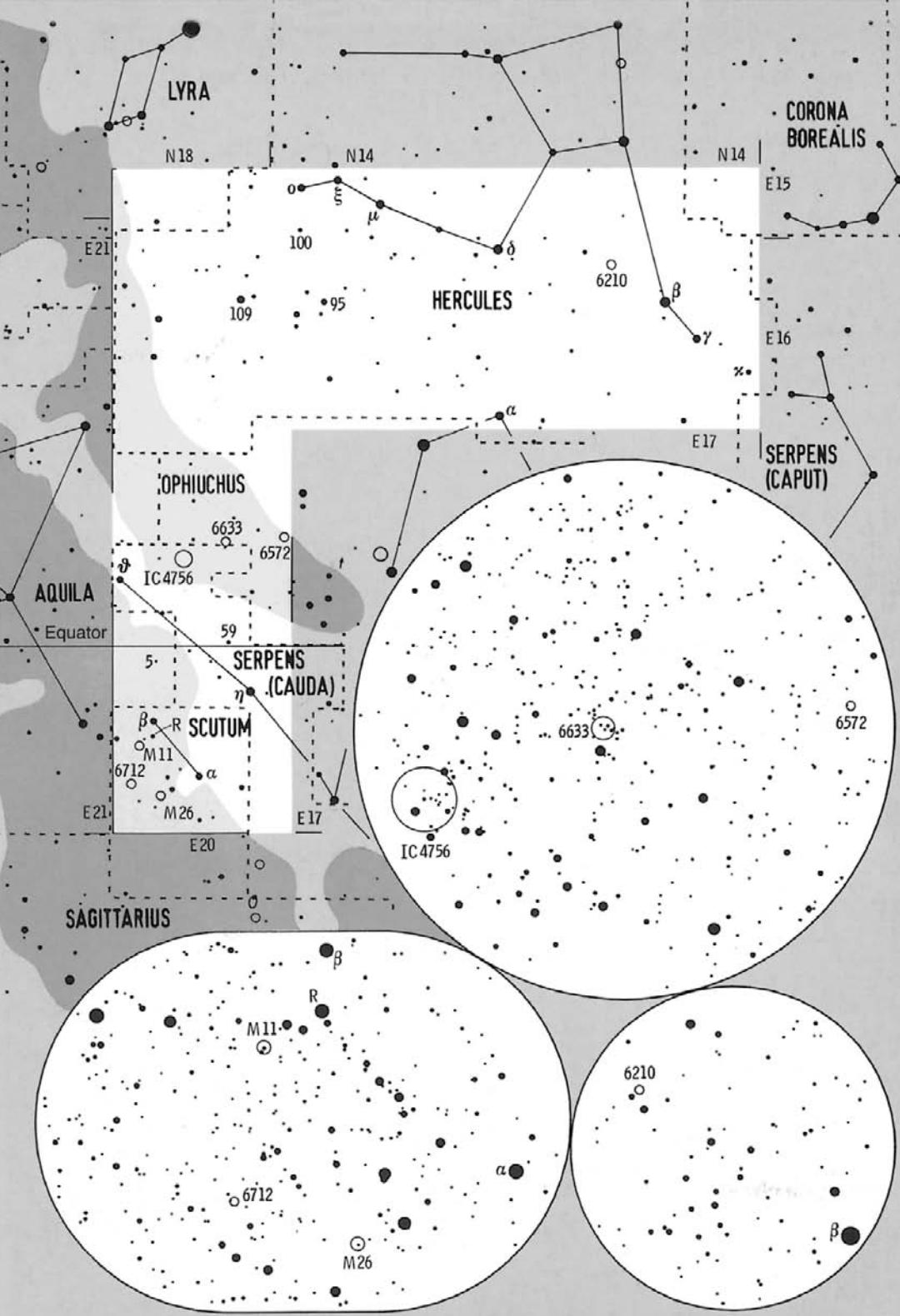
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6210 .....	Her	9	6/□'	0'3	○ D	PN	●	6000 ly	16 <sup>h</sup> 44 <sup>m</sup> .5 23.80
6572 .....	Oph	8½	5	0.2	○ D	PN	●	6000	18 12.1 6.85
6633 .....	Oph	5	10	20	○ m	OC	●	1100	18 27.7 6.57
IC 4756 ...	Ser	5	13	60	○ m	OC	●	1400	18 39.0 5.43
6694 M 26	Sct	8	12	8	○ p	OC	●	5000	18 45.2 -9.40
6705 M 11	Sct	6	11	12	○ r	OC	●	6000	18 51.1 -6.27
6712 .....	Sct	8½	12	5	○ IX	GC	●	22000	18 53.1 -8.70

- 6210 ..... Stellar in binoculars, small blue-green disk in a high power eyepiece.  
 6572 ..... Stellar except at highest power and in good seeing, color blue-green.  
 6633 ..... Quite bright, impressive irregular features, a rewarding object.  
 IC 4756 ... Sparse, only a few scattered stars, best in a finder or in binoculars.  
 6694 M 26 A faint open cluster, only resolved in a telescope, asymmetric.  
 6705 M 11 Bright glow in binoculars, slightly triangular, impressive number of stars in a telescope; a distinct mag. 8.4 star is close to the center.  
 6712 ..... Faint globular cluster, at most a few stars resolved in a telescope.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
7 $\kappa$ Her	●	4.7	★	1.0	↓	G 9 -1 <sup>M</sup>	.....	400 ly	16 <sup>h</sup> 08 <sup>m</sup> .1	17°05	
20 $\gamma$ Her	●	3.7	0.3	↓	A 9	0	.....	200	16 21.9	19.15	
27 $\beta$ Her	●	2.8	0.9	↓	G 8 -1	.	Ruticulus	160	16 30.2	21.49	
64 $\alpha$ Her	●	2.6-3.4★	1.3	↓	M 5 -3		Rasalgethi	400	17 14.6	14.39	
65 $\delta$ Her	●	3.1	0.1	↓	A 3	1	.....	78	17 15.0	24.84	
86 $\mu$ Her	●	3.4	0.8	↓	G 5	4	.....	27.3	17 46.5	27.72	
92 $\xi$ Her	●	3.7	0.9	↓	K 0	1	.....	135	17 57.8	29.25	
95 Her	●	4.3	★	0.4	↓	F 6 -2	.....	500	18 01.5	21.60	
103 $\sigma$ Her	●	3.8	0.0	↓	B 9 -1	.....	.....	350	18 07.5	28.76	
100 Her	●	5.1	★	0.1	↓	A 3	1	.....	240	18 07.8	26.10
58 $\eta$ Ser	●	3.2	0.9	↓	K 0	2	.....	62	18 21.3	-2.90	
109 Her	●	3.8	1.2	↓	K 2	1	.....	130	18 23.7	21.77	
59 d Ser	●	5.2	★	0.5	↓	F 9 -1	.....	500	18 27.2	0.20	
$\alpha$ Sct	●	3.9	1.3	↓	K 2	0	.....	175	18 35.2	-8.24	
5 Aql	●	5.6	★	0.2	↓	A 2	1	.....	270	18 46.5	-0.96
$\beta$ Sct	●	4.2	1.1	↓	G 5 -3	.....	.....	750	18 47.2	-4.75	
R Sct	●	5.0-6.5	1.4	↓	K 0 -4	.....	.....	2000	18 47.5	-5.70	
63 $\vartheta$ Ser	●	4.0	★	0.2	↓	A 5	1	.. Alya ..	140	18 56.2	4.20

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
7 $\kappa$ Her	●	5.0	6.2	0.9	1.1	↔	27'.0
64 $\alpha$ Her	●	3-4	5.4	1.5	0.7	↔	4.9
95 Her	●	4.9	5.1	0.1	0.9	↔	6.4
100 Her	●	5.8	5.9	0.1	0.2	↔	14.2
59 d Ser	●	5.3	7.6	0.5	0.3	↔	3.7
5 Aql	●	5.9	7.5	0.1	0.3	↔	12.7
63 $\vartheta$ Ser	●	4.6	5.0	0.2	0.2	↔	22.4

VARIABLE STAR
64 $\alpha$ Her
● semireg.
Perd. 50d-6years
Binary star mag.
2.7-3.6 and 5.4.
R Sct
● semireg.
Period 140-146 d
Extrema 4.2-8.6



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NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6494 M 23	Sgr	6	13/□'	25'	○ m	OC	☒	2200 ly	17 <sup>b</sup> 56. <sup>m</sup> 8 -19. <sup>02</sup>
6514 M 20	Sgr	7	13	20	○ Em	DN	☒	5000	18 02.5 -23.02
6523 M 8	Sgr	4½	13	60	○ Em	DN	☒	5000	18 03.8 -24.38
6531 M 21	Sgr	6½	11	10	○ m	OC	☒	4000	18 04.2 -22.50
M 24	Sgr	4	13	100	○ Milky Way		☒	8000	18 16.9 -18.48
6611 M 16	Ser	6	12	25	○ Em	DN	☒	6000	18 18.8 -13.84
6613 M 18	Sgr	7	12	10	○ p n	OC	☒	4000	18 20.0 -17.10
6618 M 17	Sgr	6	13	35	○ Em	DN	☒	5000	18 20.8 -16.18
6626 M 28	Sgr	7	11	6	○ IV	GC	☒	18000	18 24.5 -24.87
6637 M 69	Sgr	8	11	4	○ V	GC	☒	30000	18 31.4 -32.34
IC 4725 M 25	Sgr	5	12	30	○ m	OC	☒	2000	18 31.7 -19.17
6656 M 22	Sgr	5½	11	20	○ VII	GC	☒	10000	18 36.4 -23.90
6681 M 70	Sgr	8	11	4	○ V	GC	☒	30000	18 43.2 -32.29
6715 M 54	Sgr	8	11	4	○ III	GC	☒	85000	18 55.1 -30.48

- 6494 M 23 Resolved in binoculars, impressive in a telescope at low power.  
 6514 M 20 **Trifid Nebula**, division into three parts by three radial dust bands, structure visible in a telescope at low power through a nebula filter.  
 6523 M 8 **Lagoon Nebula**, visible to the unaided eye, for every scope, fantastic through a nebula filter, open cluster NGC 6530 in eastern part.  
 6531 M 21 Resolved in binoculars, few bright stars, inconspicuous, near M 20.  
 M 24 Messier describes clearly the Milky Way cloud and not NGC 6603.  
 6611 M 16 **Eagle Nebula**, nebula with dust areas, some 20 stars embedded.  
 6613 M 18 Sparse, inconspicuous since the surrounding field is quite rich.  
 6618 M 17 **Omega Nebula, Swan Nebula**, fantastic structure, bright arms, knots, and dark dust clouds, more detail through a nebula filter.  
 6626 M 28 Asymmetric shape, bright central area; it is barely resolvable.  
 6637 M 69 Faint, outer region partially resolved in a telescope, irregular outline.  
 IC 4725 M 25 Very nicely resolved in binoculars, some irregular stellar groups.  
 6656 M 22 Very bright oval, impressive in a telescope, uncountable stars.  
 6681 M 70 Rather faint, distinct center, outer portions only just resolvable.  
 6715 M 54 Not resolvable, bright concentrated core, takes high power well.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
10 $\gamma$ Sgr	☒ •	3.0	1.0	↓	K0	1 <sup>M</sup>	. . Alnasl . .	97ly	18 <sup>h</sup> 05 <sup>m</sup> 8 -30. <sup>42</sup>	
13 $\mu$ Sgr	☒ •	3.8	0.2	↓	B2 -7	. . . . .	4000	18 13.8 -21.06		
19 $\delta$ Sgr	☒ •	2.7	1.4	↑	K3 -2	Kaus Media	300	18 21.0 -29.83		
20 $\varepsilon$ Sgr	☒ •	1.8	0.0	↓	B9 -1	Kaus Australis	145	18 24.2 -34.38		
22 $\lambda$ Sgr	☒ •	2.8	1.0	↓	K1 1	Kaus Borealis	78	18 28.0 -25.42		
27 $\varphi$ Sgr	☒ •	3.2	-1	↓	B8 -1	. . . . .	230	18 45.7 -26.99		
34 $\sigma$ Sgr	☒ •	2.0	-1	↓	B2 -2	. . Nunki . .	220	18 55.3 -26.30		
37 $\xi^2$ Sgr	☒ •	3.5	1.2	↓	G9 -2	. . . . .	350	18 57.7 -21.11		
38 $\zeta$ Sgr	☒ •	2.6	0.1	↓	A3 0	. . . . .	90	19 02.6 -29.88		
39 $\rho$ Sgr	☒ •	3.8	1.0	↓	K0 1	. . . . .	140	19 04.7 -21.74		
40 $\tau$ Sgr	☒ •	3.3	1.2	↓	K1 0	. . . . .	120	19 06.9 -27.67		
41 $\pi$ Sgr	☒ •	2.9	0.4	↓	F2 -3	. . . . .	430	19 09.8 -21.02		

SER-  
PENS  
(CAU[DA])

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M24

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Ecliptic

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SAGITTARIUS

$\pi$

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CORONA ASTRALIS

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SCOR-  
PIUS

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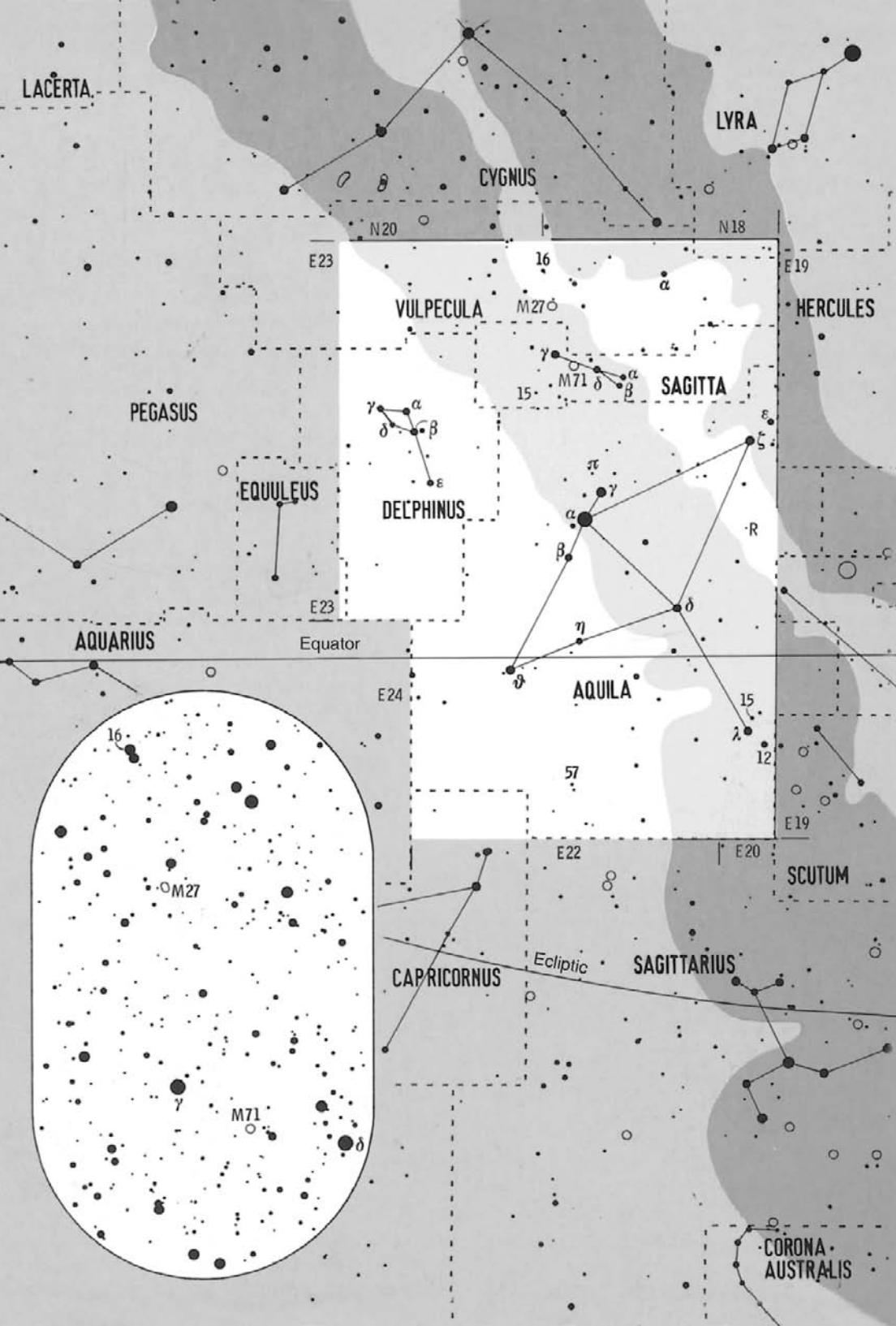
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6838 M 71	Sge	8½	12/□'	5'	○ IX	GC	13000 ly	19 <sup>b</sup> 53. <sup>m</sup> 8	18. <sup>s</sup> 78
6853 M 27	Vul	7	10	7	○ A	PN	1000	19 59.6	22.72

- 6838 M 71 Interesting features, triangular shape, resolved into stars in a telescope, low number of stars, looks similar to some open clusters.  
 6853 M 27 **Dumbbell Nebula**, may be the most beautiful planetary, shape visible in binoculars, more detail in a telescope, greenish color, southwestern lobe is brighter, extended faint halo requires nebula filter.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
13 ε Aql	■ •	4.0	1.1	↓	K 2	1 <sup>M</sup>		150 ly	18 <sup>b</sup> 59. <sup>m</sup> 6	15.07
12 η Aql	■ •	4.0	1.1	↓	K 1	1		150	19 01.7	-5.74
15 α Aql	■ •	5.2	* 1.2	↓	K 1	0		330,600	19 05.0	-4.03
17 ζ Aql	■ •	3.0	0.0	↓	A 0	1		84	19 05.4	13.86
16 λ Aql	■ •	3.4	-1	↓	B 9	0		125	19 06.2	-4.88
R Aql	■	5.8–10	1.3	↓	M 7	-1		700	19 06.4	8.23
30 δ Aql	■ •	3.4	0.3	↓	F 0	2		50	19 25.5	3.11
6 α Vul	■ •	4.4	1.5	↓	M 0	0		300	19 28.7	24.66
5 α Sge	■ •	4.4	0.8	↓	G 0	-1	{ Sep. 35'	460	19 40.1	18.01
6 β Sge	■ •	4.4	1.0	↓	G 8	-1	{ Sep. 35'	460	19 41.0	17.48
50 γ Aql	■ •	2.7	1.5	↓	K 3	-3	. Tarazed	500	19 46.3	10.61
7 δ Sge	■ •	3.7	1.3	↓	M 2	-2		460	19 47.4	18.53
52 π Aql	■ •	5.7	* 0.5	↓	A 9	0		500	19 48.7	11.82
53 α Aql	■ •	0.8	0.2	↓	A 7	2	Altair, Atair	16.7	19 50.8	8.87
55 η Aql	■ •	3.5–4.4	0.7	↓	F 6	-5		1400	19 52.5	1.01
57 η Aql	■ •	5.3	* -1	↓	B 7	0		350	19 54.6	-8.23
60 β Aql	■ •	3.7	0.9	↓	G 8	3	. Alschain	45	19 55.3	6.41
12 γ Sge	■ •	3.5	1.6	↓	K 7	-1		260	19 58.8	19.49
16 Vul	■ *	5.2	* 0.4	↓	F 2	1		220	20 02.0	24.94
15 Sge	■ •	5.4	* 0.5	↓	F 6	0		58,600	20 04.1	17.08
65 ϑ Aql	■ •	3.2	-1	↓	B 9	-1		280	20 11.3	-0.82
2 ε Del	■ •	4.0	-1	↓	B 6	-1		350	20 33.2	11.30
6 β Del	■ •	3.6	0.4	↓	F 5	1		100	20 37.5	14.60
9 α Del	■ •	3.8	-1	↓	B 9	-1		240	20 39.6	15.91
11 δ Del	■ •	4.4	0.3	↓	A 7	0		210	20 43.5	15.07
12 γ Del	■ •	3.9	* 0.8	↓	G 6	1		105	20 46.7	16.12

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
15 π Aql	■ •	5.4	7.0	1.1	1.5	44°	39"
52 π Aql	■ •	6.3	6.8	0.8	0.1	44°	1.4
57 η Aql	■ •	5.7	6.5	-1	0.0	44°	35.6
16 Vul	■ *	5.8	6.2	0.3	0.4	44°	0.9
15 Sge	■ •	5.8	6.9	0.6	0.1	44°	216
12 γ Del	■ •	4.3	5.1	1.0	0.5	44°	5' 9.1
							2020 8.9

VARIABLE STAR
R Aql
Period ≈ 280 d
Max. ≈ 2454000
55 η Aql
Period 7.1767 d
Max. 2454004.9
Min. Max.+4.9



# E22 Equator, Ecliptic Summer–Fall Constellations

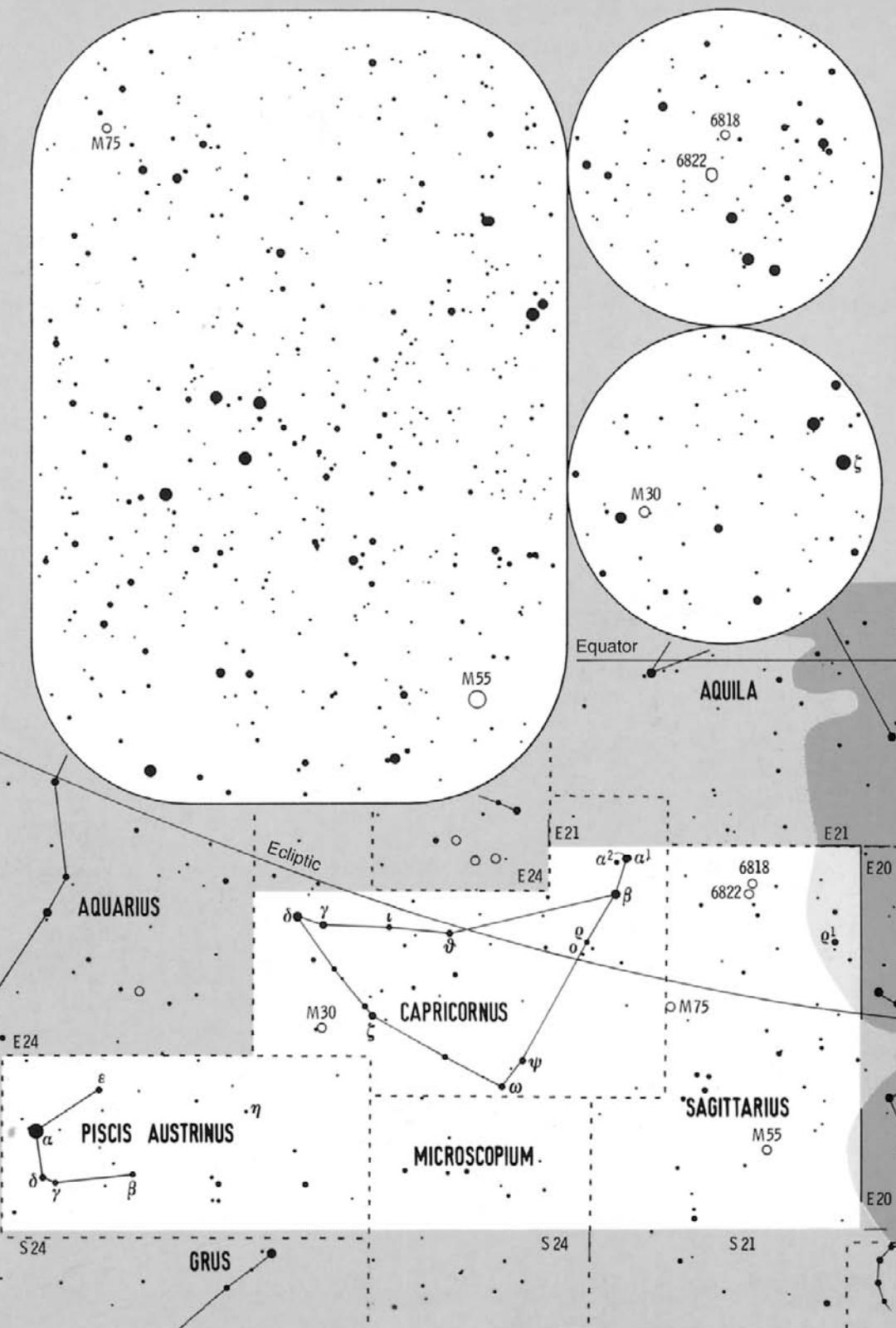
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6809 M 55	Sgr	8	7 13/0' 15'	○	XI	GC	8000 ly	19 <sup>h</sup> 40 <sup>m</sup> 0	-30°.96
6818 .....	Sgr	9½	7	0.4	○ R	PN	7000	19 44.0	-14.15
6822 .....	Sgr	9	14	12	○ Ir	Glx	1.5 M	19 45.0	-14.80
6864 M 75	Sgr	9	11	3	○ I	GC	65000	20 06.1	-21.92
7099 M 30	Cap	7½	11	6	○ V	GC	25000	21 40.4	-23.18

- 6809 M 55 Quite large in binoculars, completely resolved in a telescope, irregular outline, dark notch on its southeastern side, difficult to find.  
 6818 .....
- Stellar in binoculars, oval disk in a telescope at high power; it does not look like a ring but the center is a little dim; slightly greenish.
- 6822 .....
- Barnard's Galaxy**, very close galaxy, very hard to see since there is no detail and no core, darkest sky and lowest power essential.
- 6864 M 75 Quite distant globular cluster, therefore faint, small, and not resolvable into individual stars, contains an extraordinary bright center.
- 7099 M 30 Distinct core, elongated envelope, outer portions can be resolved in a telescope, radial chains of stars (see also bottom right of page E1).

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
44 $\varrho^1$ Sgr	8	3.9	0.2	↓	F 0	1 <sup>M</sup>		122 ly	19 <sup>h</sup> 21 <sup>m</sup> .7	-17.85
5 $\alpha^1$ Cap	8	4.3	1.0	↓	G 3 – 2	Algiedi	6'.4	700	20 17.6	-12.51
6 $\alpha^2$ Cap	8	3.6	0.9	↓	G 7	1 Algiedi	•	108	20 18.1	-12.54
9 $\beta$ Cap	8	3.0	0.7	↓	F 7	– 2		320	20 21.0	-14.78
11 $\varrho$ Cap	8	4.6	0.5	↓	F 5	0		98,500	20 28.9	-17.82
12 $o$ Cap	8	5.5	0.1	↓	A 3	1		220	20 29.9	-18.58
16 $\psi$ Cap	8	4.1	0.4	↓	F 5	3		48	20 46.1	-25.27
18 $\omega$ Cap	8	4.1	1.6	↑	K 4	– 2		600	20 51.8	-26.92
23 $\vartheta$ Cap	8	4.1	0.0	↓	A 1	1		160	21 05.9	-17.23
32 $\iota$ Cap	8	4.3	0.9	↓	G 8	0		215	21 22.2	-16.83
34 $\zeta$ Cap	8	3.8	1.0	↓	G 4	– 2		400	21 26.7	-22.41
40 $\gamma$ Cap	8	3.7	0.3	↓	A 7	1		130	21 40.1	-16.66
49 $\delta$ Cap	8	2.8–3.1	0.3	↓	A 9	2 Deneb	Algiedi	38.5	21 47.0	-16.13
12 $\eta$ PsA	8	5.4	0.1	↓	B 8	– 2		1000	22 00.8	-28.45
17 $\beta$ PsA	8	4.3	0.0	↓	A 1	1		145	22 31.5	-32.35
18 $\varepsilon$ PsA	8	4.2	-1	↓	B 8	– 3		700	22 40.7	-27.04
22 $\gamma$ PsA	8	4.5	0.0	↓	A 0	0		220	22 52.5	-32.88
23 $\delta$ PsA	8	4.2	1.0	↓	G 8	1		170	22 55.9	-32.54
24 $\alpha$ PsA	8	1.2	0.1	↓	A 3	2 Fomalhaut		25.2	22 57.6	-29.62

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
9 $\beta$ Cap	8	3.1	6.1	0.8	0.0	205''.2	•• 8
11 $\varrho$ Cap	8	4.8	6.6	0.4	1.1	258	• 8
12 $o$ Cap	8	5.9	6.7	0.1	0.2	21.9	•• 8
12 $\eta$ PsA	8	5.8	6.8	-1	0.0	1.8	•• 8
17 $\beta$ PsA	8	4.3	7.8	0.0	0.5	30.3	•• 8
22 $\gamma$ PsA	8	4.5	8.0	0.0	0.5	4.1	•• 8

VARIABLE STAR
49 $\delta$ Cap
Period 1.02277 d
Min. 2454000.28
Eclipse 4 hours
The light curve varies slightly.

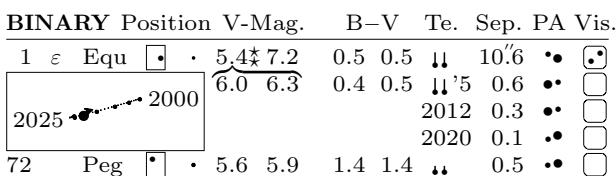


# E23 Equator, Ecliptic Fall Constellations

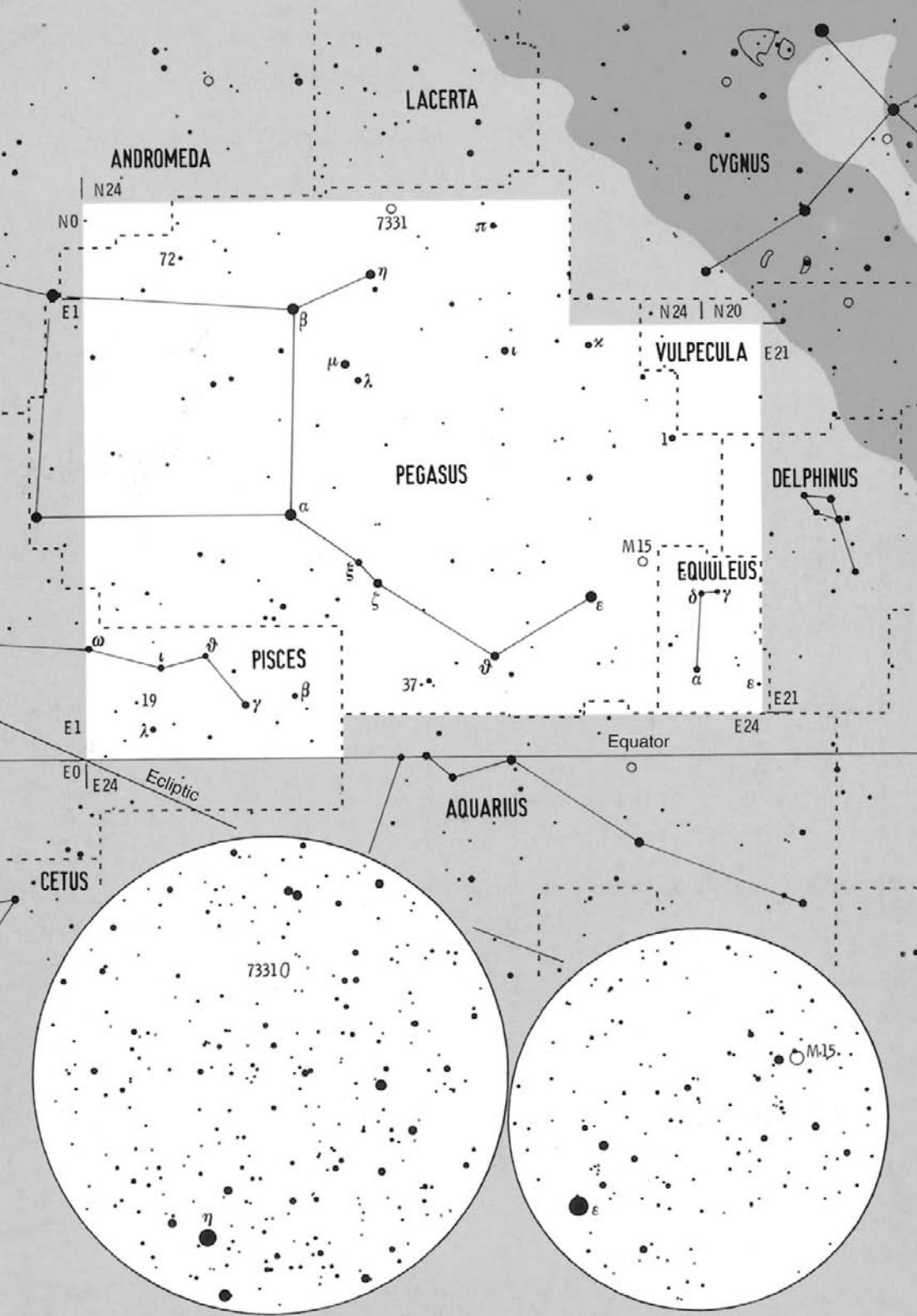
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
7078 M15	Peg	6½	11/°'	10'	○ IV	GC	35 000 ly	21 <sup>h</sup> 30 <sup>m</sup> 0	12.17
7331 .....	Peg	10	13	9	Sc	Glx	50 M	22 37.1	34.42

7078 M15 Almost stellar in opera glasses, small slightly oval glow in binoculars, resolved in a telescope with the exception of the bright center, relatively easy to find since it lies in a poor region not too far from Enif; this is the best globular cluster in the fall constellations.  
 7331 ..... Nice spindle, almost edge-on galaxy, oval core within very elongated halo; 30' to the southwest is Stephan's Quintet, consisting of five mag. 13 galaxies within a 4' circle, extremely challenging object.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
1 ε	Equ	5.2	*	0.5	↓	F 6	1 <sup>M</sup>	200 ly	20 <sup>h</sup> 59 <sup>m</sup> .1	4°.29	
5 γ	Equ	4.7	0.3	↓	F 0	2	.....	116	21 10.3	10.13	
7 δ	Equ	4.5	0.5	↓	F 6	3	.....	61	21 14.5	10.01	
8 α	Equ	3.9	0.5	↓	G 0	0	Kitalphar .	185	21 15.8	5.25	
1 Π	Peg	4.1	1.1	↓	K 1	1	.....	155	21 22.1	19.80	
8 ε	Peg	2.4	1.5	↓	K 2	-4	.. Enif .	700	21 44.2	9.88	
10 κ	Peg	4.1	0.4	↓	F 5	1	.....	115	21 44.6	25.65	
24 ι	Peg	3.8	0.4	↓	F 5	3	.....	38.5	22 07.0	25.35	
29 π	Peg	4.3	0.5	↓	F 5	0	also π <sup>2</sup> Pegasi	250	22 10.0	33.18	
26 ϑ	Peg	3.5	0.1	↓	A 2	1	. Baham .	97	22 10.2	6.20	
37	Peg	5.5	0.4	↓	F 5	2	.....	170	22 30.0	4.43	
42 ζ	Peg	3.4	-1	↓	B 8	-1	. Homam .	205	22 41.5	10.83	
44 η	Peg	2.9	0.8	↓	G 2	-1	. Matar .	220	22 43.0	30.22	
47 λ	Peg	4.0	1.1	↓	G 8	-1	.....	380	22 46.5	23.57	
46 ξ	Peg	4.2	0.5	↓	F 7	3	.....	53	22 46.7	12.17	
48 μ	Peg	3.5	0.9	↓	G 9	1	. Sadalbari .	117	22 50.0	24.60	
53 β	Peg	2.4-2.6	1.7	↑	M 2	-2	. Scheat .	200	23 03.8	28.08	
4 β	Psc	4.5	-1	↓	B 6	-1	.....	500	23 03.9	3.82	
54 α	Peg	2.5	0.0	↓	B 9	-1	. Markab .	140	23 04.8	15.21	
6 γ	Psc	3.7	0.9	↓	G 7	1	.....	130	23 17.2	3.28	
10 ϑ	Psc	4.3	1.1	↓	K 1	1	.....	160	23 28.0	6.38	
72	Peg	5.0	*	1.4	↓	K 4	-1	.....	500	23 34.0	31.33
17 ι	Psc	4.1	0.5	↓	F 7	3	.....	45	23 39.9	5.63	
18 λ	Psc	4.5	0.2	↓	A 7	2	.....	100	23 42.0	1.78	
19	Psc	4.9-5.1	2.5	.	C 5	-2	TX Piscium	800	23 46.4	3.49	
28 ω	Psc	4.0	0.4	↓	F 4	1	.....	106	23 59.3	6.86	



VARIABLE STAR	
53 β Peg	□ • irregular Extrema 2.3-2.7
19 TX Psc	□ • irregular Extrema 4.8-5.2 Color orange-red.



# E24

Equator, Ecliptic

Fall Constellations

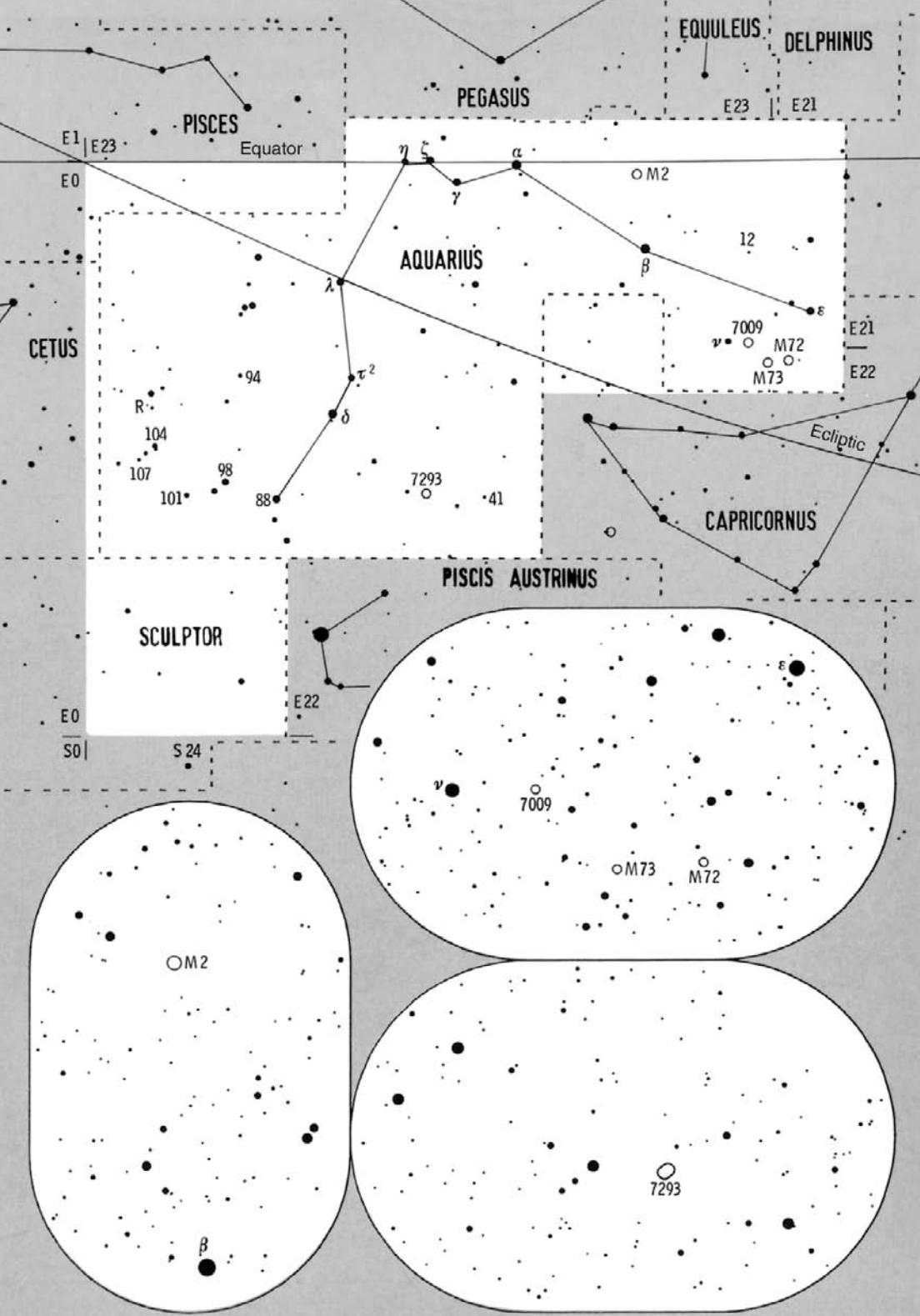
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6981 M 72	Aqr	9½	12/□'	3'	○ IX	GC	●	55 000 ly	20 <sup>h</sup> 53 <sup>m</sup> .5 -12°54
6994 M 73	Aqr	8½	10	2.5	○ p	OC	●	2000	20 58.9 -12.63
7009 .....	Aqr	8	6	0.6	○ A	PN	●	3000	21 04.2 -11.37
7089 M 2	Aqr	6½	11	10	○ II	GC	●	38 000	21 33.5 -0.82
7293 .....	Aqr	7	13	15	○ R	PN	●	500	22 29.6 -20.84

- 6981 M 72 The faintest globular cluster in this catalog; it is not resolvable.  
 6994 M 73 Hardly an open cluster, Messier describes it as a group of 3–4 stars.  
 7009 ..... **Saturn Nebula**, a blue-green ellipse, needs high power; the faint extensions and the mag. 12.8 central star are difficult to observe.  
 7089 M 2 Large bright glow in binoculars, barely resolvable in a telescope.  
 7293 ..... **Helix Nebula**, the brightest and nearest planetary; the planetary for binoculars, but only at dark sky, needs low power in a telescope; interesting details are visible in the ring through a nebula filter.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
2 ε	Aqr	●	3.8	0.0	↓	A 1	0 <sup>M</sup> . . . . .	230 ly	20 <sup>h</sup> 47 <sup>m</sup> .7	-9°.50	
12	Aqr	●	5.5	✳	0.7	↓	G 8 0	500	21 04.1	-5.82	
13 ν	Aqr	●	4.5	0.9	↓	G 8 1	. . . . .	165	21 09.6	-11.37	
22 β	Aqr	●	2.9	0.8	↓	G 0 -4	. Sadalsuud	700	21 31.6	-5.57	
34 α	Aqr	●	3.0	1.0	↓	G 2 -4	. Sadalmelik	800	22 05.8	-0.32	
41	Aqr	●	5.3	✳	0.8	↓	G 8 1	. . . . .	280	22 14.3	-21.07
48 γ	Aqr	●	3.9	-1	↓	A 0 1	. Sadachbia	150	22 21.7	-1.39	
55 ζ	Aqr	●	3.7	✳	0.4	↓	F 3 1	. . . . .	105	22 28.8	-0.02
62 η	Aqr	●	4.0	-1	↓	B 9 0	. . . . .	180	22 35.4	-0.12	
71 τ <sup>2</sup>	Aqr	●	4.0	1.6	↑	M 0 -1	. . . . .	400	22 49.6	-13.59	
73 λ	Aqr	●	3.7	1.6	↑	M 2 -2	. . . . .	380	22 52.6	-7.58	
76 δ	Aqr	●	3.3	0.1	↓	A 3 0	. . . . .	170	22 54.6	-15.82	
88	Aqr	●	3.7	1.2	↓	K 1 -1	. . . . .	240	23 09.4	-21.17	
94	Aqr	●	5.1	✳	0.8	↓	G 8 3	. . . . .	70	23 19.1	-13.46
98	Aqr	●	4.0	1.1	↓	K 0 0	. . . . .	160	23 23.0	-20.10	
101	Aqr	●	4.7	✳	0.0	↓	A 0 0	. . . . .	320	23 33.3	-20.91
104	Aqr	●	4.8	0.8	↓	G 2 -2	. . . . .	700	23 41.8	-17.81	
R	Aqr	●	6.0–10	1.5	↑	M 4 -1	. . . . .	800	23 43.8	-15.28	
107	Aqr	●	5.3	✳	0.3	↓	F 2 1	. . . . .	210	23 46.0	-18.68

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.		
12	Aqr	●	5.8	7.4	0.8	0.1	↑↑	2''.4	●
41	Aqr	●	5.6	7.1	0.9	0.4	↑↑	5.2	●
55 ζ	Aqr	●	4.3	4.5	0.4	0.5	↑↑'5	2.2	●
			●	2025	2000	2012	2.5	●	
						2020	2.7	●	
94	Aqr	●	5.2	7.4	0.8	0.9	↑↑	12.5	●
101	Aqr	●	4.8	7.2	0.0	0.2	↑↑	0.9	●
107	Aqr	●	5.7	6.7	0.3	0.3	↑↑	6.9	●

VARIABLE STAR	
R Aqr	
Period	388 d
Max.	2454040
Min.	Max. +220
Extrema	5.8–12.4
Period	increases and decreases every 24 years.



# SO Southern Sky Fall Constellations

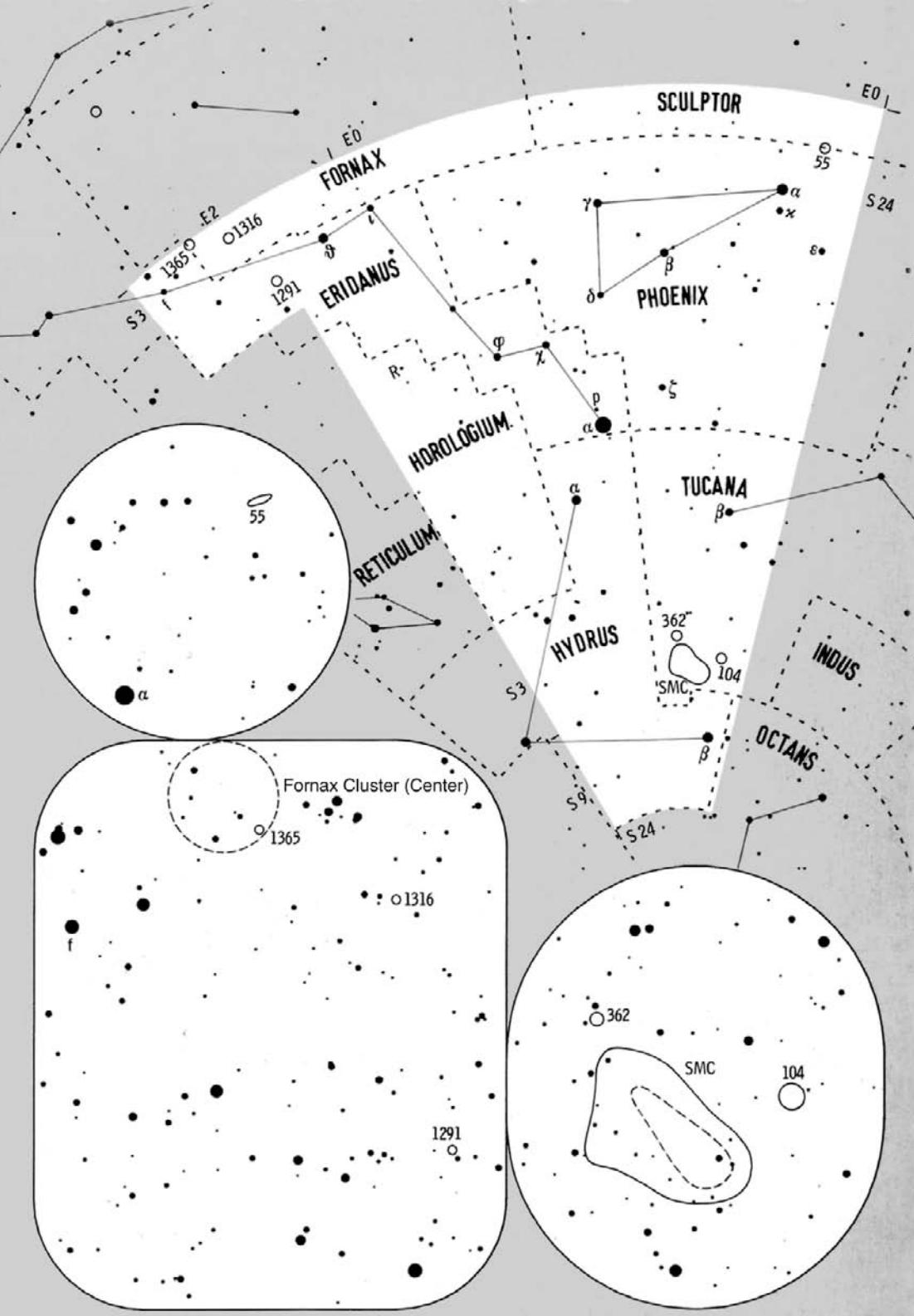
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
55 .....	Scl	8	13/□' 25'	Sm	Glx	□□	8 Mly	0 <sup>h</sup> 15 <sup>m</sup> .1	-39°.22
104 .....	Tuc	4	11 25	○ III	GC	□□□	15 000	0 24.1	-72.08
292 SMC	Tuc	2½	13 180	○ Sm	Glx	□□□	200 000	0 53	-72.8
362 .....	Tuc	6½	11 10	○ III	GC	□□□	28 000	1 03.2	-70.85
1291 .....	Eri	9	12 6	○ S0	Glx	□□□	35 M	3 17.3	-41.11
1316 .....	For	9	11 3.5	○ S0	Glx	□□	70 M	3 22.7	-37.21
1365 .....	For	8	10 13	○ Sb	Glx	○	70 M	3 33.6	-36.14

- 55 .....
- 104 .....
- 292 SMC
- 362 .....
- 1291 .....
- 1316 .....
- 1365 .....
- Very elongated, bright western part, bright knots, needs low power.
- 47 Tucanae**, majestic globular cluster, even with unaided eye, outstanding core, huge number of stars in a telescope, 2° west of SMC.
- Small Magellanic Cloud**, eye-catching under dark sky with unaided eye, nice features in northern portion, low power necessary.
- Bright distinct center, outer region slightly resolved in a telescope.
- Circular central area, elongated halo, hardly any features visible.
- Fornax A**, brightest galaxy of the **Fornax Cluster**, stellar core.
- Bar of the barred spiral barely visible, many mag. 11 galaxies nearby.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
ε Phe	■ •	3.9	1.0	↓	K0	1 <sup>M</sup>	.	140 ly	0 <sup>h</sup> 09 <sup>m</sup> .4	-45°.75	
β Hyi	■ •	2.8	0.6	↓	G2	3	.	24.4	0 25.8	-77.25	
κ Phe	■ •	3.9	0.2	↓	A7	2	.	77	0 26.2	-43.68	
α Phe	○•	2.4	1.1	↓	K0	1	. Ankaa .	77	0 26.3	-42.31	
β Tuc	■ •	3.7	* 0.0	↓	A0	1	.	140	0 31.6	-62.96	
β Phe	■ •	3.3	0.9	↓	G8	-1	.	230	1 06.1	-46.72	
ζ Phe	■ •	3.9-4.4*	-1	↓	B8	-1	.	290	1 08.4	-55.25	
γ Phe	■ •	3.4	1.5	↓	K5	-1	.	240	1 28.4	-43.32	
δ Phe	■ •	3.9	1.0	↓	K0	1	.	145	1 31.3	-49.07	
α Eri	■ •	0.5	-2	↓	B3	-3	. Achernar .	143	1 37.7	-57.24	
p Eri	■ •	5.0	*	0.9	↓	K3	5	.	26.6	1 39.8	-56.20
χ Eri	■ •	3.7	0.8	↓	G5	2	.	57	1 56.0	-51.61	
α Hyi	■ •	2.9	0.3	↓	F0	1	.	71	1 58.8	-61.57	
φ Eri	■ •	3.6	-1	↓	B8	0	.	155	2 16.5	-51.51	
ι Eri	■ •	4.1	1.0	↓	K0	1	.	145	2 40.7	-39.86	
R Hor	■	5.7-12	1.3	↓	M7	-1	.	800	2 53.9	-49.89	
θ Eri	■ •	2.9	*	0.1	↓	A3	-1	. Acamar .	160	2 58.3	-40.30
f Eri	§ •	4.3	*	0.0	↓	A0	1	.	170	3 48.6	-37.62

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
β Tuc	■ •	4.4	4.5	-1	0.1	11	27°.0
ζ Phe	■ •	4	6.9	-1	0.5	11	6.6
p Eri	■ •	5.8	5.8	0.9	0.8	11'5	11.5
						2020	11.6
θ Eri	■ •	3.2	4.3	0.2	0.1	11	8.3
f Eri	§ •	4.8	5.4	0.0	0.0	11	8.2

VARIABLE STAR
ζ Phe
Period 1.66976 d
Min. 2454001.62
R Hor
Period 405 d
Max. ≈ 2454022



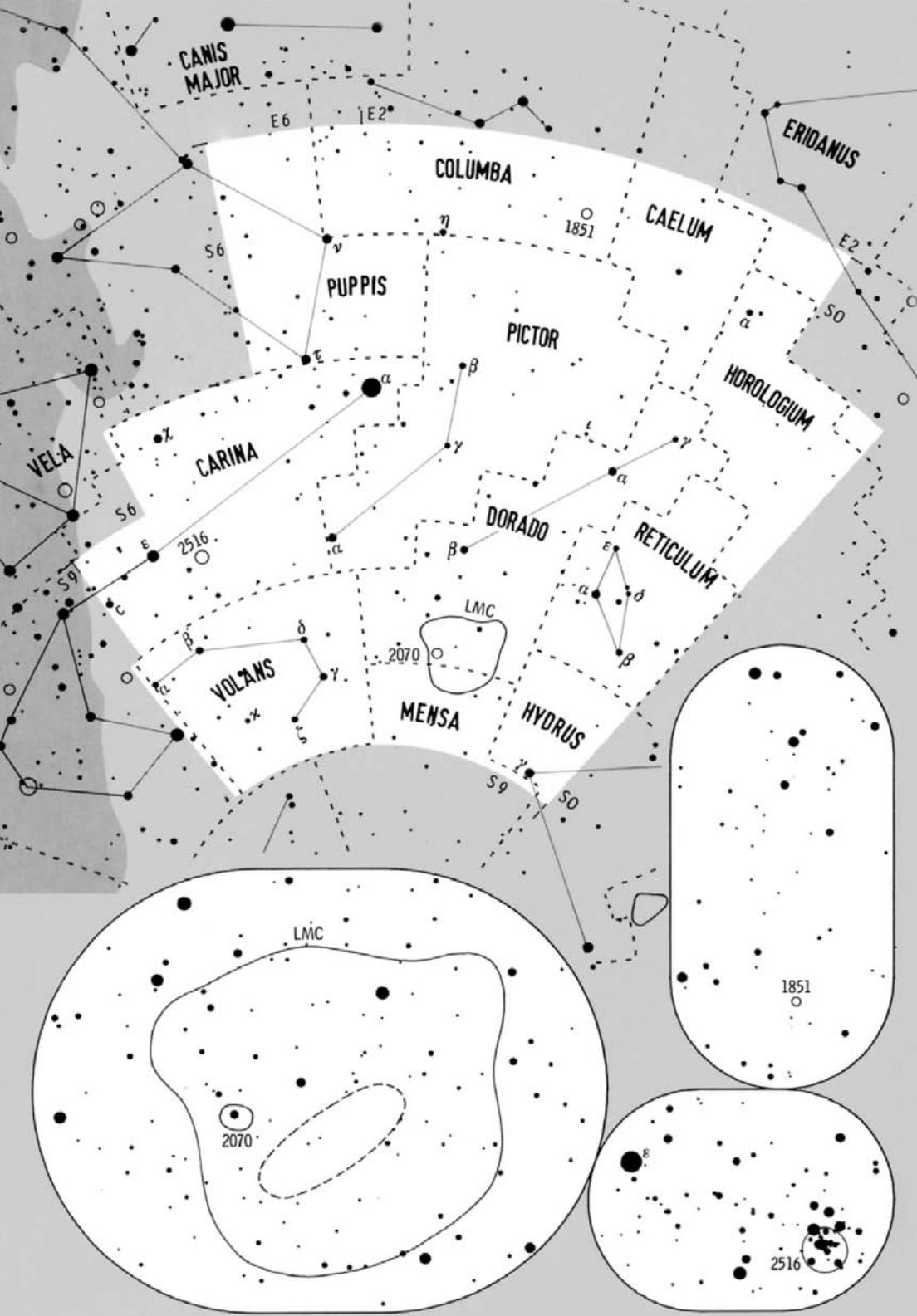
# S3 Southern Sky Winter Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
1851 .. Col	■ •	7½	11/□'	6'	O II	GC	■■	40 000 ly	5 <sup>h</sup> 14.1 <sup>m</sup> -40°04'
LMC Dor	●	0	13	420	O Sm	Glx	■■■	170 000	5 24 -69.8
2070 .. Dor	●	4½	11	25	O Em	DN	■■■	170 000	5 38.7 -69.10
2516 .. Car	●	4	11	40	O r	OC	■■	1 300	7 58.3 -60.82

- 1851 .. Central condensation is well visible in binoculars, hardly resolvable.  
 LMC **Large Magellanic Cloud**, the brightest and largest nebula, the bar and traces of spiral arms with unaided eye, in binoculars under dark sky past all description, still better in a telescope, many bright knots.  
 2070 .. **Tarantula Nebula**, fantastic detail, unique in the sky, 5000 times as luminous as the Orion Nebula, supernova 1987A remnant 20' southwest.  
 2516 .. Impressively rich in binoculars, even better in a telescope, rewarding.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
β Ret	■ •	3.8	1.1	↓	K0	1 <sup>M</sup>	.	100 ly	3 <sup>h</sup> 44 <sup>m</sup> .2 -64°.81	
γ Hyi	■ •	3.3	1.6	↓	M2	-1	.	210	3 47.2 -74.24	
δ Ret	■ •	4.6	1.6	↓	M2	-2	.	550	3 58.7 -61.40	
α Hor	■ •	3.9	1.1	↓	K1	1	.	117	4 14.0 -42.29	
α Ret	■ •	3.3	0.9	↓	G7	0	.	165	4 14.4 -62.47	
γ Dor	■ •	4.3	0.3	↓	F4	3	.	66	4 16.0 -51.49	
ε Ret	■ •	4.4	1.1	↓	K2	3	.	60	4 16.5 -59.30	
α Dor	■ •	3.3	-1	↓	A0	0	.	180	4 34.0 -55.05	
ι Pic	■ .	5.2	*	0.4	↓	F0	2	.	120	4 50.9 -53.46
β Dor	■ •	3.4-4.1	0.6	↓	F6	-5	.	1200	5 33.6 -62.49	
β Pic	■ •	3.9	0.2	↓	A3	2	.	63	5 47.3 -51.07	
γ Pic	■ •	4.5	1.1	↓	K1	1	.	175	5 49.8 -56.17	
η Col	■ •	4.0	1.1	↓	K0	-2	.	500	5 59.1 -42.82	
α Car	● -0.7	0.2	↓	F0	-6	.	Canopus	310	6 24.0 -52.70	
ν Pup	■ •	3.2	-1	↓	B8	-2	.	410	6 37.8 -43.20	
α Pic	■ •	3.2	0.2	↓	A7	1	.	88	6 48.2 -61.94	
τ Pup	■ •	2.9	1.2	↓	K0	-1	.	180	6 49.9 -50.61	
γ Vol	■ •	3.6	*	0.9	↓	G6	1	.	135	7 08.8 -70.50
δ Vol	■ •	4.0	0.8	↓	F6	-3	.	700	7 16.8 -67.96	
ζ Vol	■ •	3.9	1.0	↓	K0	1	.	132	7 41.8 -72.61	
χ Car	■ •	3.5	-2	↓	B3	-2	.	400	7 56.8 -52.98	
κ Vol	■ •	4.7	*	-1	↓	B9	-1	.	400	8 19.9 -71.51
ε Car	● 1.9	1.2	↓	K3	-5	.	Avoir	600	8 22.5 -59.51	
β Vol	■ •	3.8	1.1	↓	K2	1	.	108	8 25.7 -66.14	
c Car	■ •	3.8	-1	↓	B8	-1	.	320	8 55.0 -60.64	
α Vol	■ •	4.0	0.1	↓	A4	1	.	124	9 02.4 -66.40	

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR		
ι Pic	■ •	5.6	6.4	0.3	0.5	↓↓	12.5	•	■	
γ Vol	■ •	3.8	5.7	1.0	0.5	↓↓	14.2	••	■	Period 9.8425 d
κ Vol	■ •	5.3	5.6	-1	-1	↓↓	64.8	•	■■	Max. 2454005.7



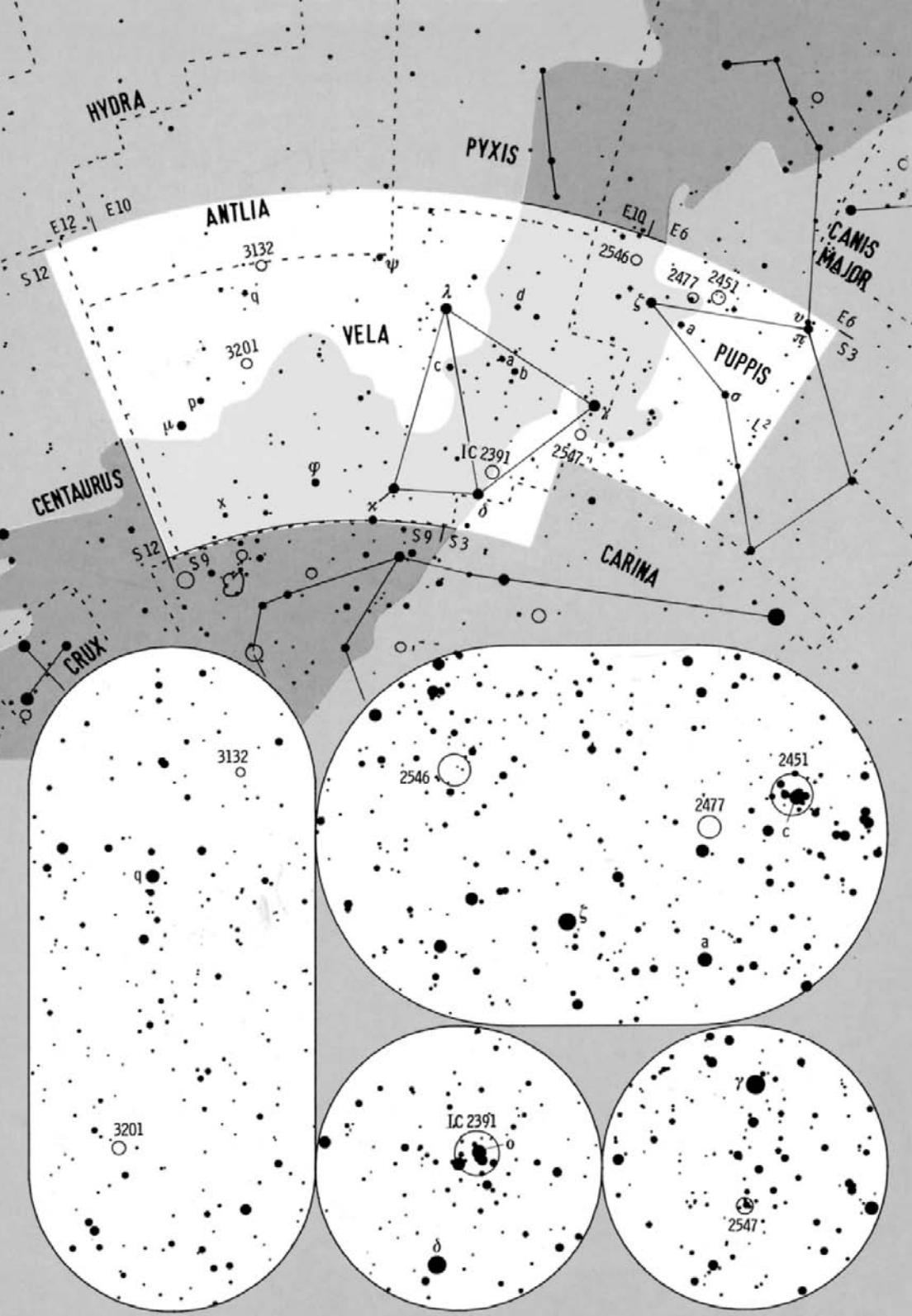
# S6 Southern Sky Winter–Spring Constellations

NEBULA		Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
2451 ..	Pup	8	3½	11/□'	40'	○ p	OC	1400 ly	7 <sup>h</sup> 45.4	-37°.97
2477 ..	Pup	8	6	12	25	○ r	OC	4000	7 52.3	-38.53
2547 ..	Vel	8	5	11	20	○ m n	OC	1500	8 10.1	-49.23
2546 ..	Pup	8	6½	13	35	○ m	OC	3000	8 12.4	-37.63
IC 2391	Vel	8	3	11	40	○ p	OC	480	8 40.2	-53.07
3132 ..	Vel	8	9	9	1.0	○ R	PN	3000	10 07.0	-40.44
3201 ..	Vel	8	7	12	12	○ X	GC	16000	10 17.6	-46.41

- 2451 .. Well resolved in binoculars, few stars, but very bright and colored ones.  
 2477 .. Enormous number of stars, nicely resolved in a telescope, chain of stars.  
 2547 .. Bright open cluster, best in binoculars, a mag. 6.5 star near the center.  
 2546 .. Very elongated cluster in binoculars, inconspicuous in a telescope.  
 IC 2391 **Omkron (ο) Velorum Cluster**, for unaided eye to binoculars, sparse.  
 3132 .. Oval disk with a magnitude 10.1 star slightly off center in a telescope.  
 3201 .. Irregular stellar condensations; it is just resolvable in a telescope.

STAR		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
L <sup>2</sup>	Pup	8	• 4.0–5.0	1.5	•	M5	0 <sup>M</sup>		185 ly	7 <sup>h</sup> 13 <sup>m</sup> 5 <sup>s</sup>	-44°.64
π	Pup	8	• 2.7	1.6	•	K3	–5	{ Sep. 26' • }	1000	7 17.1	-37.10
y v	Pup	8	• 4.1	* –1	↓	B3	–3		1000	7 18.4	-36.74
σ	Pup	8	• 3.3	1.5	•	K5	–1		185	7 29.2	-43.30
c	Pup	8	• 3.6	1.7	•	K4	–5	in NGC 2451	1400	7 45.3	-37.97
a	Pup	8	• 3.7	1.0	•	G8	–1		340	7 52.2	-40.58
ζ	Pup	8	• 2.2	–3	•	O5	–6		1400	8 03.6	-40.00
γ	Vel	8	• 1.5–1.7*	–2	•	O7	–6	Suhail Al Muhlif	900	8 09.5	-47.34
o	Vel	8	• 3.6	–2	•	B3	–2	. in IC 2391 .	480	8 40.3	-52.92
b	Vel	8	• 3.8	0.7	•	F3	–7		4000	8 40.6	-46.65
d	Vel	8	• 4.0	* 0.9	•	G5	0		225, 85	8 44.4	-42.65
δ	Vel	8	• 1.9	0.0	•	A1	0		80	8 44.7	-54.71
a	Vel	8	• 3.9	0.0	•	A1	–4		1200	8 46.0	-46.04
c	Vel	8	• 3.8	1.2	•	K2	–1		310	9 04.2	-47.10
λ	Vel	8	• 2.2	1.7	•	K4	–4	Suhail Al Wazn	550	9 08.0	-43.43
κ	Vel	8	• 2.5	–1	•	B2	–4		550	9 22.1	-55.01
ψ	Vel	8	• 3.6	0.4	•	F2	2		60	9 30.7	-40.47
φ	Vel	8	• 3.5	–1	•	B5	–6		2000	9 56.9	-54.57
q	Vel	8	• 3.9	0.1	•	A2	1		102	10 14.7	-42.12
p	Vel	8	• 3.8	0.3	•	F4	2		87	10 37.3	-48.23
x	Vel	8	• 4.1	* 0.8	•	F9	–3		800	10 39.3	-55.60
μ	Vel	8	• 2.7	0.9	•	G5	0		115	10 46.8	-49.42

BINARY		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	VARIABLE STAR
y v	Pup	8	• 4.7	5.1	–1	–2		240"0	• 8
γ	Vel	8	• 2	4.2	–2	–2		41.2	• 8
d	Vel	8	• 4.1	7.2	0.9	0.7	↔	238	• 8
x	Vel	8	• 4.3	6.2	1.0	–1	↔	51.8	• 8
L <sup>2</sup>	Pup	8	• semireg.						Period 140 d
γ	Vel	8	• irregular						Period ≈ 2 min.



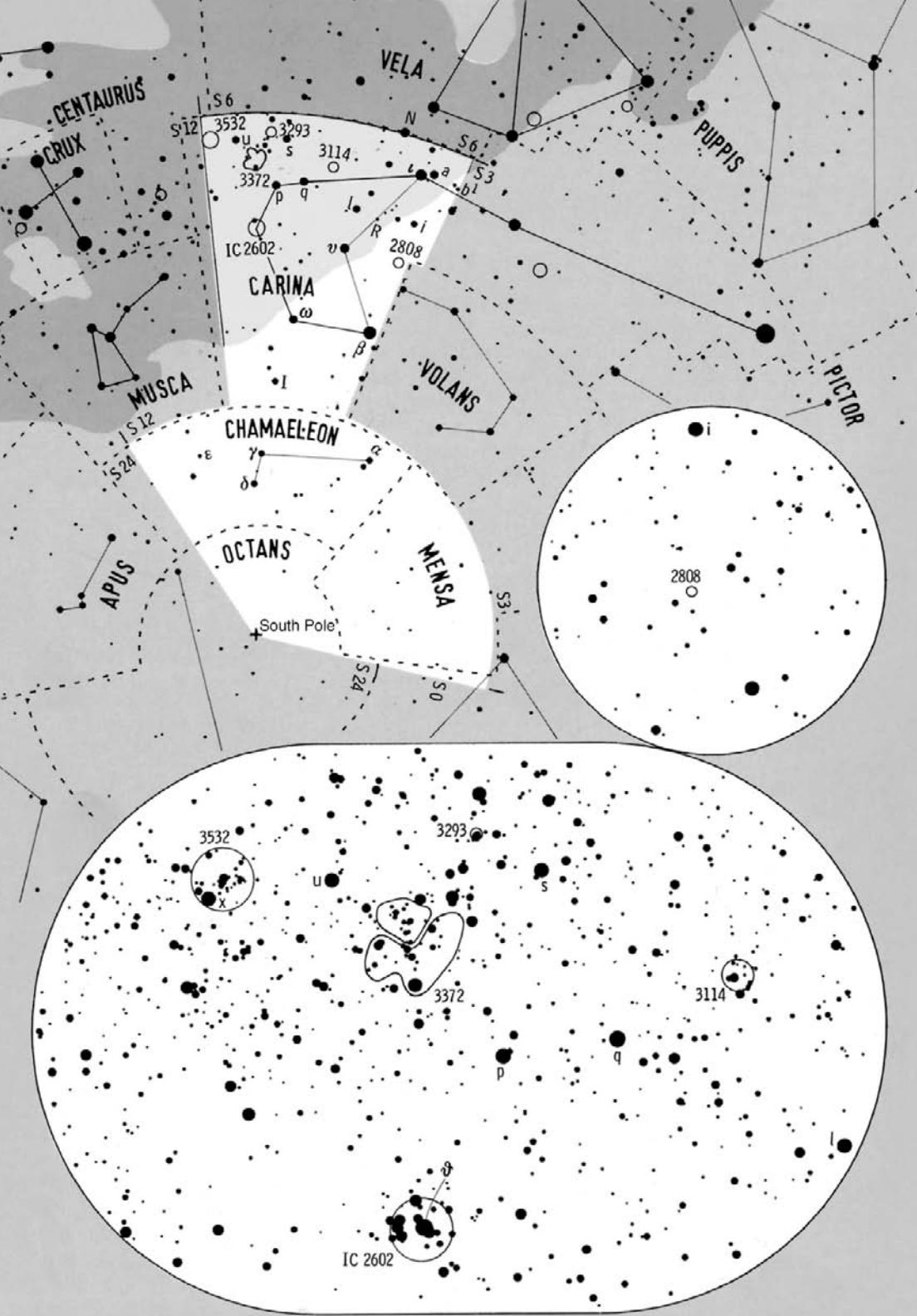
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
2808 ..	Car	6½	11/□'	8'	○ I	GC	30 000 ly	9 <sup>h</sup> 12.0 <sup>m</sup>	-64°.86
3114 ..	Car	4½	11	30	○ r	OC	3 000	10 02.7	-60.13
3293 ..	Car	5	9	6	○ m n	OC	7 000	10 35.8	-58.23
IC 2602	Car	2	10	60	○ m	OC	460	10 43.8	-64.35
3372 ..	Car	3	13	100	○ Em	DN	8 000	10 43.8	-59.87
3532 ..	Car	3½	12	60	○ r	OC	1 500	11 05.7	-58.72

2808 .. Resolved in a telescope, shape I = extreme central condensation.  
 3114 .. Impressively rich open cluster, a rewarding object in every scope.  
 3293 .. Small glow in binoculars, resolved in a telescope, takes high power.  
 IC 2602 **Southern Pleiades**, similar to the Pleiades, only a little fainter.  
 3372 .. **Eta (η) Carinae Nebula**, conspicuous already with unaided eye,  
 full of features in binoculars, even better in a telescope at low power.  
 3532 .. Extremly rich, elongated open cluster, impressive in every scope.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.	
α Cha	■	•	4.1	0.4	↓	F 5	3 <sup>M</sup>	63 ly	8 <sup>h</sup> 18.5 <sup>m</sup>	-76.92	
b <sup>1</sup> Car	■	•	4.7	* -2	↓	B 3 -2	.. . . . .	600	8 57.0	-59.23	
a Car	■	•	3.4	-2	↓	B 2 -2	.. . . . .	430	9 11.0	-58.97	
i Car	■	•	4.0	-2	↓	B 3 -2	.. . . . .	500	9 11.3	-62.32	
β Car	■	●	1.7	0.1	↓	A 2 -1	Miaplacidus	112	9 13.2	-69.72	
ι Car	■	●	2.2	0.2	↓	A 8 -4	.. . . . .	650	9 17.1	-59.28	
N Vel	■	●	3.2	1.5	↓	K 5 -1	.. . . . .	230	9 31.2	-57.03	
R Car	■	·	4.5-9.2	1.2	↓	M 6 -1	.. . . . .	400	9 32.2	-62.79	
l Car	■	•	3.3-4.1	1.0	↓	G 5 -5	. ZZ Carinae	1 400	9 45.2	-62.51	
v Car	■	•	2.9	*	0.3	↓	A 9 -6	.. . . . .	1 500	9 47.1	-65.07
ω Car	■	•	3.3	-1	↓	B 8 -2	.. . . . .	370	10 13.7	-70.04	
q Car	■	•	3.4	1.5	↓	K 3 -3	.. . . . .	700	10 17.1	-61.33	
I Car	■	•	3.9	*	0.3	↓	F 1 0	.. . . . .	53,430	10 24.4	-74.02
s Car	■	•	3.8	0.3	↓	F 2 -4	.. . . . .	1 000	10 27.9	-58.74	
p Car	■	•	3.3	-1	↓	B 4 -3	.. . . . .	520	10 32.0	-61.69	
γ Cha	■	•	4.1	1.6	↓	M 0 -1	.. . . . .	400	10 35.5	-78.61	
ϑ Car	■	●	2.7	-2	↓	B 0 -3	. in IC 2602	460	10 43.0	-64.39	
δ Cha	■	•	4.1	*	0.0	↓	A 3 -1	.. . . . .	370	10 45.6	-80.52
u Car	■	•	3.7	*	0.8	↓	K 0 -2	.. . . . .	96,1 500	10 53.5	-58.86
x Car	■	•	3.9	1.2	↓	G 0 -8	near NGC 3532	5 000	11 08.6	-58.97	
ε Cha	■	•	4.7	*	0.0	↓	B 9 -1	.. . . . .	380	11 59.7	-78.22

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
b <sup>1</sup> Car	■	•	4.9	6.8	-2	-1	40''.1
v Car	■	●	3.0	6.0	0.3	0.1	5.0
I Car	■	•	4.0	6.2	0.4	0.1	232
δ Cha	■	•	4.5	5.5	-2	1.0	264.9
u Car	■	•	3.8	6.3	0.9	-1	159
ε Cha	■	•	4.9	6.6	-1	0.2	134.0

VARIABLE STAR	R Car	Period
R Car	■	307 d
		Max. 2454297
1 ZZ Car	■	35.54 d
		Max. 2454030



# S12 Southern Sky Spring Constellations

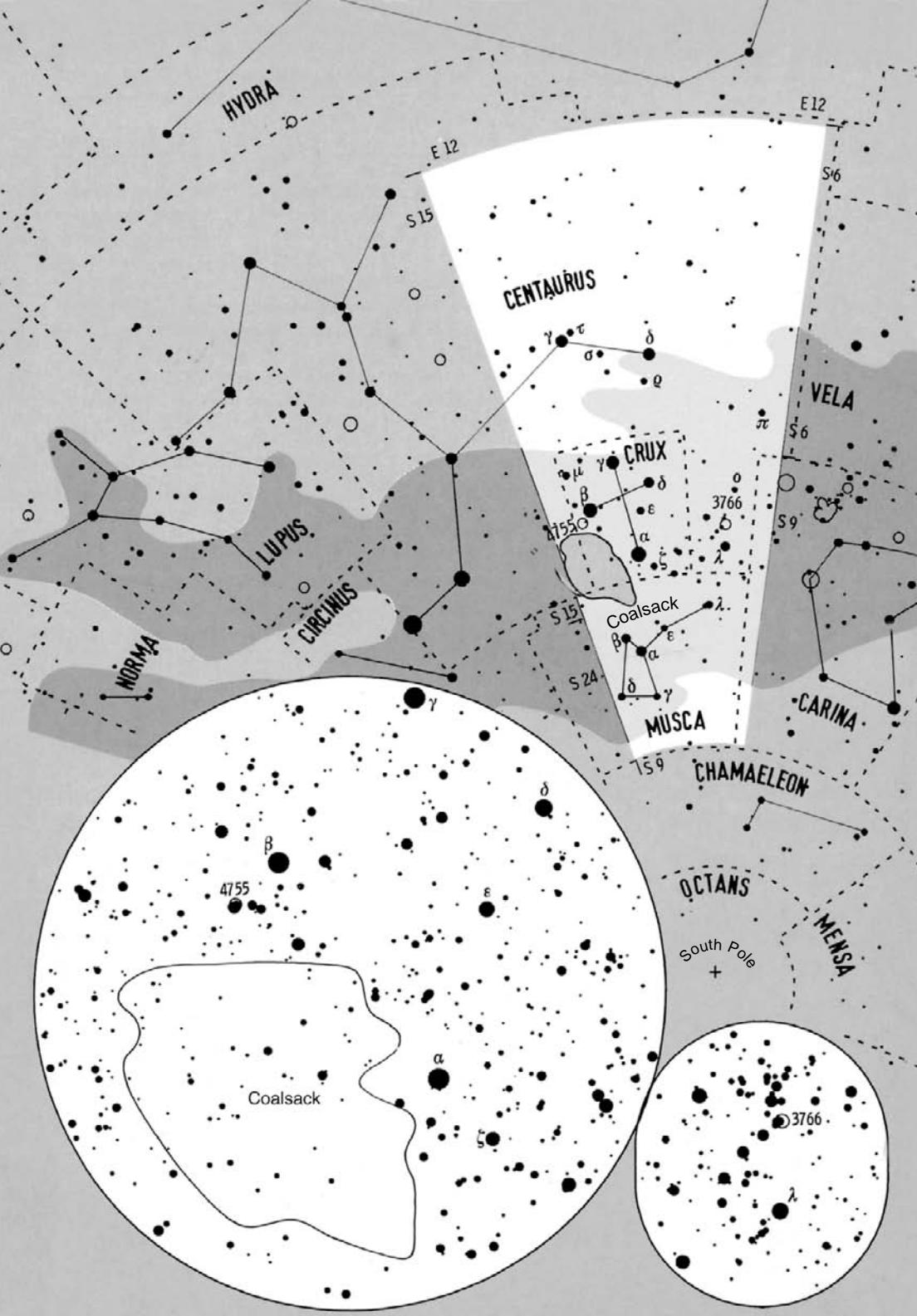
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
3766 .....	Cen	5	10/□'	12'	○ m	OC	5000 ly	11 <sup>h</sup> 36. <sup>m</sup> 1	-61°62'
Coalsack	Cru	(3)	(14)	360	○	Dark Neb.	2000	12 52	-63.3
4755 .....	Cru	4½	9	10	○ m	OC	6000	12 53.6	-60.35

- 3766 .....
- Resolved in binoculars, wonderful in a telescope, interesting shape; some of the brightest stars shine conspicuously in a yellow color.
- Coalsack
- Most spectacular dark nebula for the unaided eye, rich detail in binoculars, northern edge round, southern edge irregular and fuzzy.
- 4755 .....
- Jewel Box, Kappa ( $\kappa$ ) Crucis Cluster**, resolved in binoculars, impressive in a telescope, arrow shaped with a magnitude 5.8 star at the arrow head and the magnitude 6.0 star  $\kappa$  Crucis at the southern end of the arrow, in between lies a yellow star, takes high power.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
$\pi$ Cen	■ •	3.9	-.2	↓	B 5 -1 <sup>M</sup>	.....	.....	330 ly	11 <sup>h</sup> 21 <sup>m</sup> 0	-54°49'
$\sigma$ Cen	■ •	4.3-4.5*	0.7	↓	F 2 -7	.....	.....	5000	11 31.8	-59.48
$\lambda$ Cen	■ ○	3.1	0.0	↓	B 9 -2	.....	.....	420	11 35.8	-63.02
$\lambda$ Mus	■ •	3.6	0.2	↓	A 7 1	.....	.....	130	11 45.6	-66.73
$\delta$ Cen	■ •	2.4 *	-.1	↓	B 2 -3	.....	.....	380	12 08.3	-50.71
$\varrho$ Cen	■ •	4.0	-.2	↓	B 3 -1	.....	.....	330	12 11.7	-52.37
$\delta$ Cru	■ ○	2.8	-.2	↓	B 2 -3	.....	.....	370	12 15.1	-58.75
$\varepsilon$ Mus	■ •	4.0-4.3	1.6	↑	M5 -1	.....	.....	300	12 17.6	-67.96
$\zeta$ Cru	■ ○	4.1	-.2	↓	B 2 -1	.....	.....	370	12 18.4	-64.00
$\varepsilon$ Cru	■ ○	3.5-3.6	1.4	↑	K3 -1	.....	.....	230	12 21.4	-60.40
$\alpha$ Cru	■ ○	0.7 *	-.2	↓	B 1 -4	..	Acrux ..	340	12 26.6	-63.10
$\sigma$ Cen	■ •	3.9	-.2	↓	B 3 -2	.....	.....	450	12 28.0	-50.23
$\gamma$ Cru	■ ○	1.6 *	1.5	↑	M4 -1	.	Gacrux .	88,400	12 31.2	-57.11
$\gamma$ Mus	■ •	3.8	-.2	↓	B 5 -1	.....	.....	320	12 32.5	-72.13
$\alpha$ Mus	■ •	2.7	-.2	↓	B 2 -2	.....	.....	300	12 37.2	-69.14
$\tau$ Cen	■ •	3.9	0.0	↓	A 2 1	.....	.....	130	12 37.7	-48.54
$\gamma$ Cen	■ •	2.2	0.0	↓	A 1 -1	}	Sep. 45' •	130	12 41.5	-48.96
$\beta$ Mus	■ •	3.0 *	-.2	↓	B 2 -2	.....	.....	320	12 46.3	-68.11
$\beta$ Cru	■ ○	1.3	-.2	↓	B 0 -4	.	Mimosa .	340	12 47.7	-59.69
$\mu$ Cru	■ •	3.7 *	-.2	↓	B 3 -2	.....	.....	370	12 54.6	-57.18
$\delta$ Mus	■ •	3.6	1.2	↓	K 2 1	.....	.....	90	13 02.3	-71.55

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
$\sigma$ Cen	■ •	5	5.1	1.0	0.4	265. <sup>7</sup>	● ○
$\delta$ Cen	■ ○	2.6	4.5	-.1	-.2	269.0	● ○
		"	6.4	"	0.0	216.7	● ○
$\alpha$ Cru	■ ○	0.8*	4.8	-.2	-.1	90.0	● ○
		1.3	1.7	-.2	-.2	4.0	● ○
$\gamma$ Cru	■ ○	1.6	6.4	1.6	0.2	129	● ○
$\beta$ Mus	■ •	3.6	4.0	-.2	-.2	1.1	● ○
$\mu$ Cru	■ •	4.0	5.1	-.2	-.1	34.8	● ○

VARIABLE STAR
$\sigma$ Cen
• semireg.
Period $\approx$ 200 d ?
Binary star mag.
5.0-5.3 and 5.1.
$\epsilon$ Mus
• semireg.
Period $\approx$ 40 d
$\epsilon$ Cru
• irreg. ?
Extrema 3.4-4.0



# S15 Southern Sky Spring Constellations

NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
5128 .. Cen	■	7½	12/□'	12'	O S0	Glx	■	16 Mly	13 <sup>h</sup> 25 <sup>m</sup> .5 -43°.02
5139 .. Cen	○	4	11	30	O VIII	GC	■	17000	13 26.8 -47.48
5460 .. Cen	●	6	13	30	O p	OC	■	2200	14 07.6 -48.32
5822 .. Lup	◎	6½	14	40	O r	OC	■	2500	15 05.2 -54.33

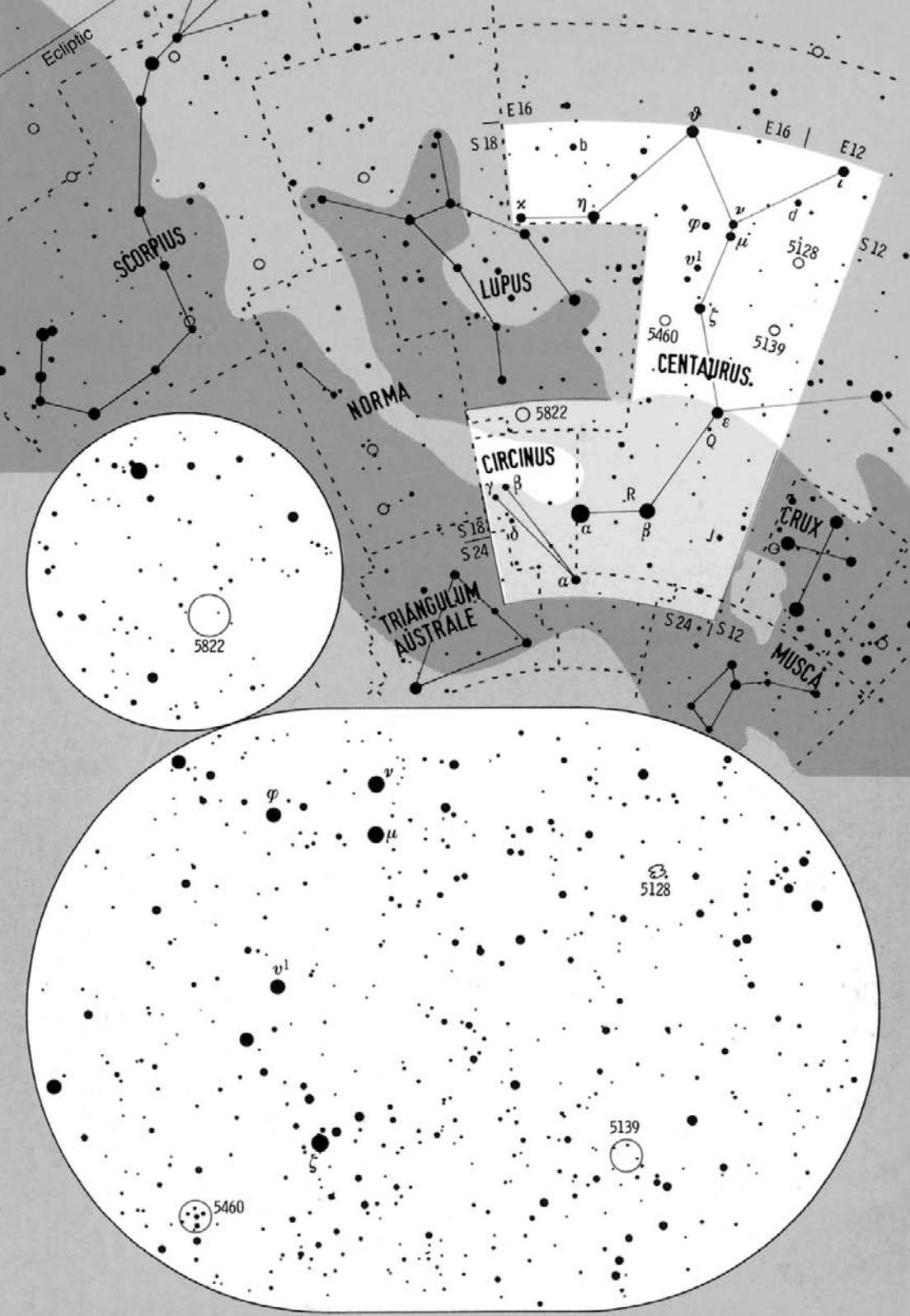
- 5128 .. **Centaurus A**, a dark dust band with features, a remarkable galaxy.  
 5139 .. **Omega ( $\omega$ ) Centauri**, largest, brightest, and most luminous globular cluster, easy with unaided eye, bright elliptical glow in binoculars, tremendous richness of stars in a telescope, unsurpassed, fascinating.  
 5460 .. Resolved in binoculars, widely scattered in a telescope at low power.  
 5822 .. Easy object for binoculars under dark sky, ample stars in a telescope.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
$\iota$ Cen	■	2.8	0.1	↓	A 2	1 <sup>M</sup>	.	58 ly	13 <sup>h</sup> 20 <sup>m</sup> .6 -36°.71	
J Cen	●	4.3	* -1	↓	B 3 -1	.	.	360	13 22.6 -60.99	
d Cen	■	3.9	1.2	↑	G 8 -4	.	.	1000	13 31.0 -39.41	
$\varepsilon$ Cen	●	2.3	-2	↓	B 1 -3	.	.	380	13 39.9 -53.47	
Q Cen	■	5.0	* 0.0	↓	B 8 0	.	.	270	13 41.7 -54.56	
$\nu$ Cen	○	3.4	-2	↓	B 2 -3	}	Sep. 47'	500	13 49.5 -41.69	
$\mu$ Cen	○	3.0-3.5	-2	↓	B 2 -3	}	•	500	13 49.6 -42.47	
$\zeta$ Cen	○	2.5	-2	↓	B 2 -3	.	.	400	13 55.5 -47.29	
$\varphi$ Cen	○	3.8	-2	↓	B 2 -2	.	.	500	13 58.3 -42.10	
$v^1$ Cen	○	3.9	-2	↓	B 2 -2	.	.	400	13 58.7 -44.80	
$\beta$ Cen	●	0.6	-2	↓	B 1 -5	Hadar, Agena	520	14 03.8 -60.37		
5 $\vartheta$ Cen	●	2.1	1.0	↓	K 0 1	.	.	62	14 06.7 -36.37	
R Cen	●	5.8-10	1.9	↓	M 5 -3	.	.	2000	14 16.6 -59.91	
$\eta$ Cen	●	2.3	-2	↓	B 1 -3	.	.	300	14 35.5 -42.16	
$\alpha$ Cen	●	-0.3	* 0.7	↓	G 4 4	Rigel Kentaurus,	4.40	14 39.6 -60.83		
b Cen	●	4.0	-2	↓	B 2 -1	[Toliman]	300	14 42.0 -37.79		
$\alpha$ Cir	●	3.2	0.3	↓	F 1 2	.	.	53	14 42.5 -64.98	
$\kappa$ Cen	●	3.1	-2	↓	B 2 -3	.	.	500	14 59.2 -42.10	
$\delta$ Cir	●	4.6	* -1	↓	O 9 -6	.	.	3000	15 16.8 -60.94	
$\beta$ Cir	●	4.1	0.1	↓	A 3 2	.	.	98	15 17.5 -58.80	
$\gamma$ Cir	●	4.5	0.2	↓	A 5 -1	.	.	450	15 23.4 -59.32	

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
J Cen	●	4.5	6.2	-1	0.0	11	60''.6 ● ■
Q Cen	●	5.3	6.6	-1	0.1	11	5.5 ● ■
$\alpha$ Cen	●	0.0	1.4	0.7	0.9	11'5	10.5 ● ■
$\delta$ Cir	●	5.1	5.7	-1	-1	11	241.8 ● ■

VARIABLE STAR
$\mu$ Cen
● irregular
R Cen
● Period 550 d
Max. 2454083

**Proxima Centauri**  
 Closest star, 4.22 ly,  
 mag. 11 companion of,  
 2° south of Toliman.



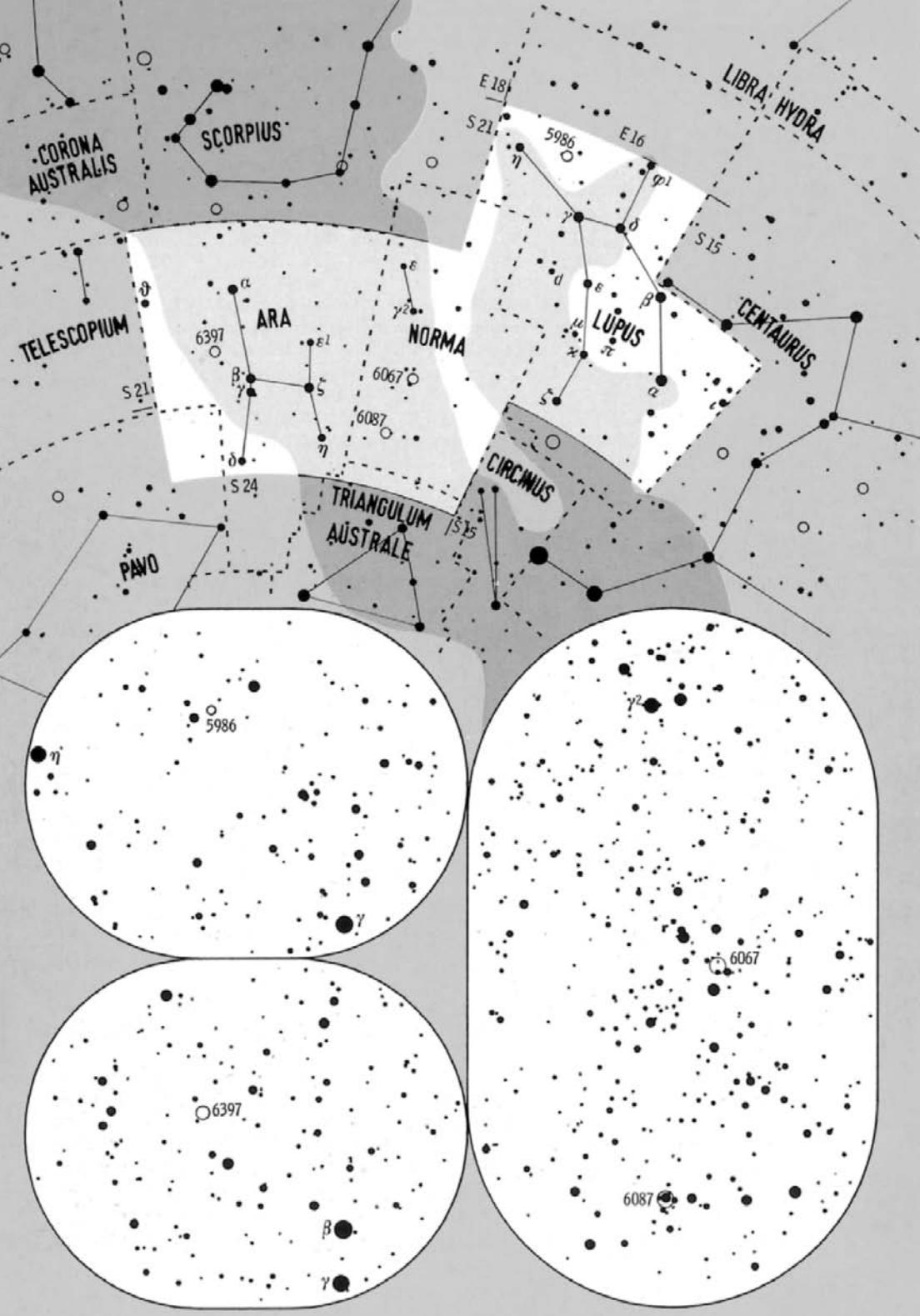
# S18 Southern Sky Spring-Summer Constellations

NEBULA		Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
5986 ..	Lup	♂	7½	11/□'	5'	○ VII	GC	35 000 ly	15 <sup>h</sup> 46. <sup>m</sup> 1	-37°79
6067 ..	Nor	●	6	11	15	○ r	OC	6 000	16 13.2	-54.22
6087 ..	Nor	●	6	11	15	○ p	OC	3 000	16 18.9	-57.90
6397 ..	Ara	○	6	12	20	○ IX	GC	8 000	17 40.7	-53.67

5986 .. Uniform round glow in binoculars, outer region resolved in a telescope.  
 6067 .. Bright open cluster suited for binoculars; it is very rich in a telescope.  
 6087 .. Nicely resolved in binoculars, sparse; it needs low power in a telescope.  
 6397 .. Triangular in binoculars, well resolved in a telescope, chains of stars.

STAR		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
ι	Lup	■	•	3.5	-.2	↓	B 2 -2 <sup>M</sup>	.....	330 ly	14 <sup>h</sup> 19. <sup>m</sup> 4	-46.06
α	Lup	■	●	2.3	-.2	●	B 1 -4	.....	500	14 41.9	-47.39
β	Lup	■	●	2.7	-.2	●	B 2 -3	.....	500	14 58.5	-43.13
π	Lup	■	•	3.9	* -.1	↓	B 5 -2	.....	500	15 05.1	-47.05
κ	Lup	■	•	3.7	* 0.0	↓	B 9 0	.....	185	15 11.9	-48.74
ζ	Lup	■	●	3.4	* 0.9	↓	G 8 1	.....	115	15 12.3	-52.10
μ	Lup	■	●	4.1	* 0.0	↓	B 8 -1	(see below)	270	15 18.5	-47.88
δ	Lup	■	●	3.2	-.2	↓	B 1 -3	.....	600	15 21.4	-40.65
φ¹	Lup	■	●	3.6	1.5	↑	K 5 -1	.....	310	15 21.8	-36.26
ε	Lup	■	●	3.4	-.2	↓	B 2 -3	.....	500	15 22.7	-44.69
γ	Lup	○	●	2.8	-.2	↓	B 2 -4	.....	600	15 35.1	-41.17
d	Lup	■	•	4.5	* -.2	↓	B 3 -1	.....	450	15 35.9	-44.96
η	Lup	○	●	3.4	* -.2	↓	B 2 -3	.....	500	16 00.1	-38.40
γ²	Nor	●	●	4.0	1.1	↓	G 8 1	.....	128	16 19.8	-50.16
ε	Nor	■	●	4.4	* -.1	↓	B 4 -1	.....	440	16 27.2	-47.55
η	Ara	●	●	3.8	1.6	↑	K 5 -1	.....	310	16 49.8	-59.04
ζ	Ara	●	●	3.1	1.6	↑	K 5 -3	.....	550	16 58.6	-55.99
ε¹	Ara	●	●	4.1	1.4	↑	K 4 -1	.....	300	16 59.6	-53.16
β	Ara	●	●	2.8	1.5	↑	K 3 -3	{ Sep. 51' } :	550	17 25.3	-55.53
γ	Ara	●	●	3.3	-.1	↓	B 1 -5	.....	1200	17 25.4	-56.38
δ	Ara	●	●	3.6	-.1	↓	B 8 0	.....	185	17 31.1	-60.68
α	Ara	●	●	2.9	-.1	↓	B 2 -1	.....	240	17 31.8	-49.88
ϑ	Ara	●	●	3.7	-.1	↓	B 2 -4	.....	1200	18 06.6	-50.09

BINARY		Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.	Comment on μ Lupi
π	Lup	■	●	4.6	4.7	-.1	-.1		1.7' • ●
κ	Lup	■	●	3.9	5.7	0.0	0.2		26.4' ♦ ●
ζ	Lup	■	●	3.4	6.7	0.9	0.5		71.7' • ●
μ	Lup	■	●	4.2*	7.0	-.1	0.5		240.4' • ●
				4.3*	6.8				
				5.0	5.1	-.1	0.1		23.2' • ●
d	Lup	■	●	4.7	6.7	-.2	-.1		2.1' ♦ ●
η	Lup	○	●	3.4	7.8	-.2	0.3		15.0' ♦ ●
ε	Nor	○	●	4.5	7.2	-.1	0.0		22.8' ♦ ●



# S21

Southern Sky      Summer Constellations

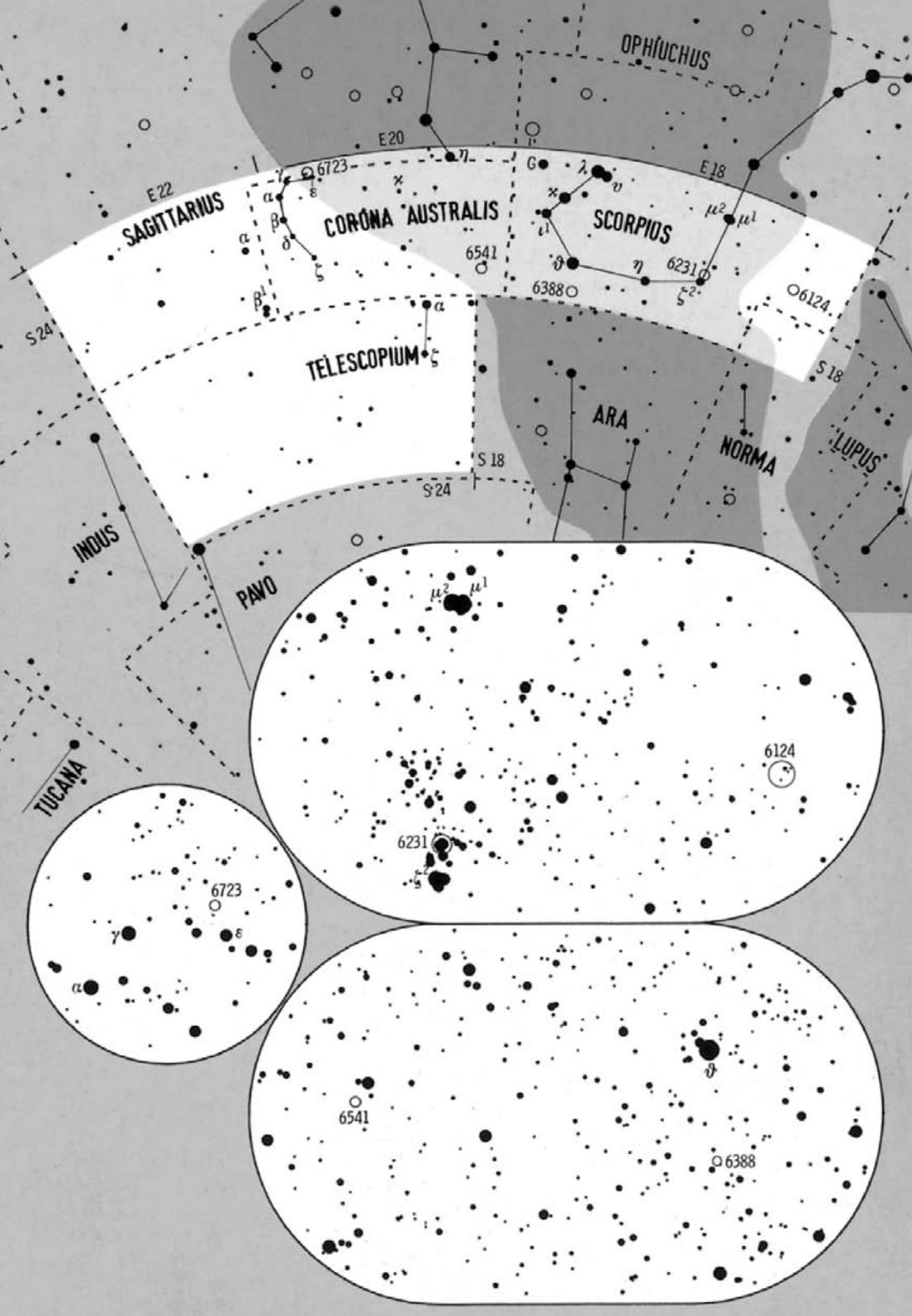
NEBULA	Position	v-Mag.	Size	Shape	Type	Vis.	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
6124 .. Sco	⌚	6	12/□'	25'	O r	OC	☒	1800 ly	16 <sup>h</sup> 25 <sup>m</sup> .6 -40. <sup>67</sup>
6231 .. Sco	⌚	3½	9	15	O p n	OC	☒	5000	16 54.1 -41.83
6388 .. Sco	⌚	7	10	4	O III	GC	☒	32000	17 36.3 -44.73
6541 .. CrA	⌚	6½	10	7	O III	GC	☒	22000	18 08.0 -43.71
6723 .. Sgr	⌚	7½	11	6	O VII	GC	☒	28000	18 59.6 -36.63

- 6124 .. Partially resolved in binoculars, shows many faint stars in a telescope.  
 6231 .. One of the brightest clusters, distinct with unaided eye; a few bright stars stand out in binoculars; some more become visible in a telescope.  
 6388 .. Easily visible as a nebula, distinct bright core, not resolvable into stars.  
 6541 .. Oval and asymmetric in binoculars, partially resolved in a telescope.  
 6723 .. Oval glow in binoculars, resolved in a telescope, central area not much brighter; 30' to the south is the faint reflection nebula NGC 6726, 6727.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
$\mu^1$ Sco	⌚	2.9-3.2	-.1	↓	B 1 -3 <sup>M</sup>	{ }	Sep. 5'.8	••	550 ly	16 <sup>h</sup> 51 <sup>m</sup> .9 -38. <sup>05</sup>
$\mu^2$ Sco	⌚	3.6	-.2	↓	B 2 -3	..	..	..	550	16 52.3 -38.02
$\zeta^2$ Sco	⌚	3.6	1.4	↑	K 4 0	..	..	..	150	16 54.6 -42.36
$\eta$ Sco	⌚	3.3	0.4	↑	F 3 2	..	..	..	71	17 12.2 -43.24
34 $\nu$ Sco	⌚	2.7	-.2	↓	B 2 -4	..	Lesath	..	600	17 30.8 -37.30
35 $\lambda$ Sco	⌚	1.6	-.2	↓	B 1 -5	..	Shaula	..	600	17 33.6 -37.10
$\vartheta$ Sco	⌚	1.9	0.4	↓	F 1 -3	..	Sargas	..	270	17 37.3 -43.00
$\kappa$ Sco	⌚	2.4	-.2	↓	B 1 -3	..	..	..	450	17 42.5 -39.03
$\iota^1$ Sco	⌚	3.0	0.5	↓	F 3 -6	..	..	..	2000	17 47.6 -40.13
G Sco	⌚	3.2	1.2	↑	K 0 0	..	..	..	127	17 49.9 -37.04
$\eta$ Sgr	⌚	3.1 *	1.6	↑	M 2 0	..	..	..	150	18 17.6 -36.76
$\alpha$ Tel	⌚	3.5	-.2	↓	B 3 -1	..	..	..	260	18 27.0 -45.97
$\zeta$ Tel	⌚	4.1	1.0	↓	G 8 1	..	..	..	130	18 28.8 -49.07
$\kappa$ CrA	⌚	5.2 *	0.0	↓	B 9 -2	..	..	..	800	18 33.4 -38.72
$\varepsilon$ CrA	⌚	4.7-5.0	0.4	↓	F 3 2	..	..	..	97	18 58.7 -37.11
$\zeta$ CrA	⌚	4.7	0.0	↓	A 0 1	..	..	..	180	19 03.1 -42.10
$\gamma$ CrA	⌚	4.2 *	0.5	↓	F 7 3	..	..	..	58	19 06.4 -37.06
$\delta$ CrA	⌚	4.6	1.1	↓	K 1 1	..	..	..	175	19 08.3 -40.50
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$\beta$ CrA	⌚	4.1	1.2	↓	K 0 -2	..	..	..	500	19 10.0 -39.34
$\beta^1$ Sgr	⌚	3.9 *	-.1	↓	B 9 -1	..	..	..	380	19 22.6 -44.46
$\alpha$ Sgr	⌚	4.0	-.1	↓	B 8 0	..	..	..	175	19 23.9 -40.62

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
$\eta$ Sgr	⌚	3.1	7.8	1.6	0.8	44	3''.6
$\kappa$ CrA	⌚	5.6	6.3	-.1	0.0		21.4
$\gamma$ CrA	⌚	4.9	5.1	0.5	0.5	44'5	1.3
							2020
							2025
$\beta^1$ Sgr	⌚	4.0	7.1	-.1	0.3	44	28.3

VARIABLE STAR
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Min. 2454000.30



# S24 Southern Sky Summer–Fall Constellations

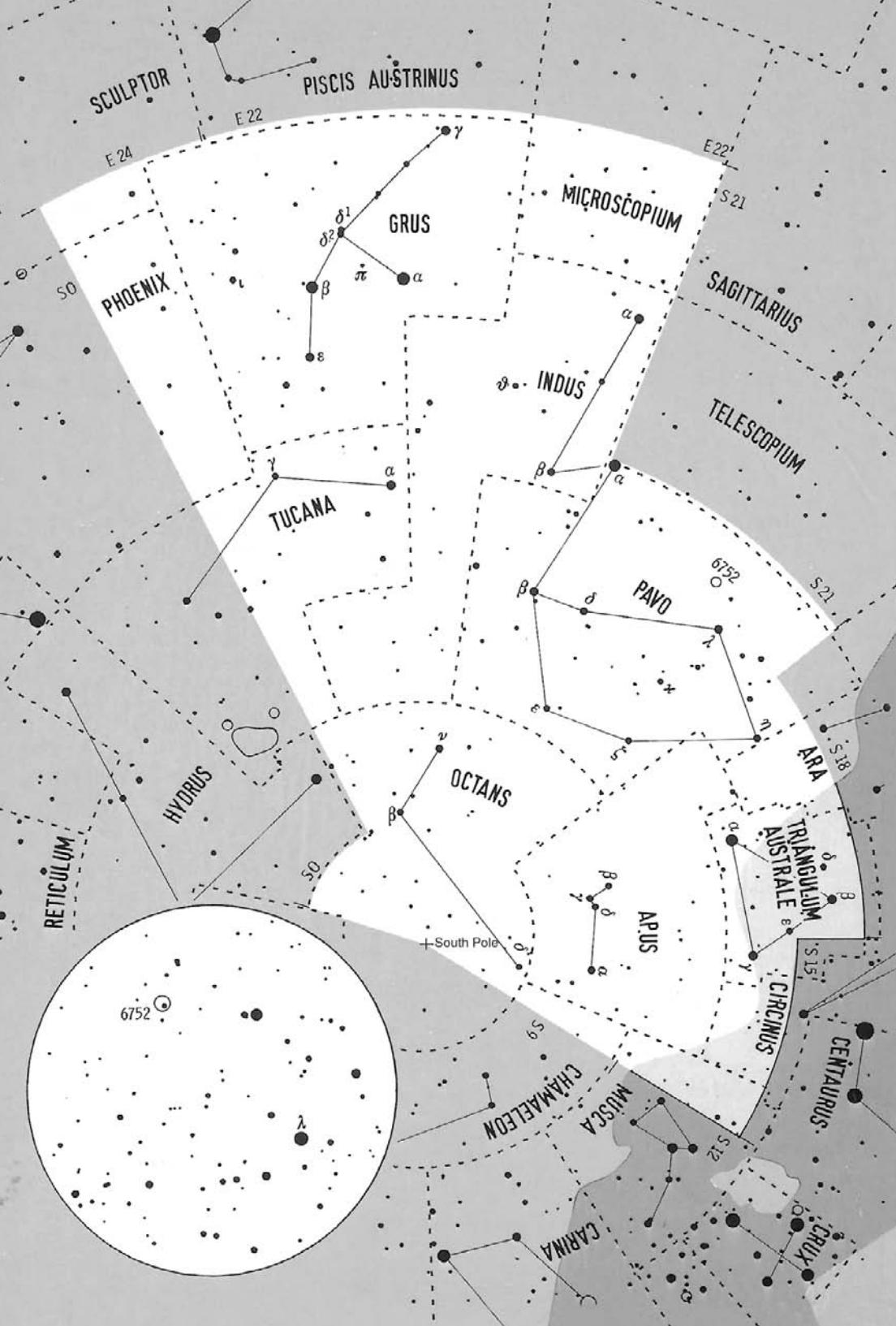
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6752 .. Pav	□	5½	11/□' 15'	○ VI	GC	☒	13 000 ly	19 <sup>h</sup> 10 <sup>m</sup> .9	-59°.98

6752 .. Fourth in brightness among globular clusters, near the limit of the unaided eye, bright nebula in binoculars, well resolved in a telescope, interesting features, remarkable chains of stars, spider-like, rewarding.

STAR	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sp.	Abs.	Name	Dist.	R.A.	Dec.
δ Oct	■	• 4.3	1.3	↓	K 2	0 <sup>M</sup>	.	280 ly	14 <sup>h</sup> 26 <sup>m</sup> .9	-83°.67
α Aps	■	• 3.8	1.4	↓	K 5	-2	.	410	14 47.9	-79.04
γ TrA	■	• 2.9	0.0	↓	A 1	-1	.	185	15 18.9	-68.68
ε TrA	■	• 4.1	1.2	↓	K 0	0	.	215	15 36.7	-66.32
β TrA	■	• 2.8	0.3	↓	F 2	2	.	40	15 55.1	-63.43
δ TrA	■	• 3.9	1.1	↓	G 5	-3	.	600	16 15.4	-63.69
δ Aps	■	• 4.2 *	1.6	↓	M 1	-3	}	Sep. 40'	•	700
γ Aps	■	• 3.9	0.9	↓	K 0	0	}	.	.	155
β Aps	■	• 4.2	1.0	↓	K 0	1	.	155	16 43.1	-77.52
α TrA	■	• 1.9	1.4	↓	K 2	-4	.	420	16 48.7	-69.03
η Pav	■	• 3.6	1.2	↓	K 1	-2	.	380	17 45.7	-64.72
ζ Pav	■	• 4.0	1.1	↓	K 2	0	.	210	18 43.0	-71.43
λ Pav	○	• 4.2	-1	↓	B 2	-4	.	1500	18 52.2	-62.19
κ Pav	■	• 3.9–4.8	0.6	↓	F 5	-2	.	550	18 56.9	-67.23
ε Pav	■	• 4.0	0.0	↓	A 0	1	.	106	20 00.6	-72.91
δ Pav	■	• 3.6	0.8	↓	G 5	5	.	19.9	20 08.7	-66.18
α Pav	■	• 1.9	-1	↓	B 2	-2	.	Peacock	.	185
α Ind	■	• 3.1	1.0	↓	K 0	1	.	102	20 37.6	-47.29
β Pav	■	• 3.4	0.2	↓	A 5	0	.	140	20 45.0	-66.20
β Ind	■	• 3.7	1.2	↓	K 0	-3	.	600	20 54.8	-58.45
ϑ Ind	■	• 4.4 *	0.2	↓	A 5	2	.	97	21 19.9	-53.45
ν Oct	■	• 3.7	1.0	↓	K 0	2	.	72	21 41.5	-77.39
γ Gru	■	• 3.0	-1	↓	B 8	-1	.	200	21 53.9	-37.37
α Gru	■	• 1.7	-1	↓	B 7	-1	.	Alnair	.	100
α Tuc	■	• 2.9	1.4	↓	K 3	-1	.	200	22 18.5	-60.26
π Gru	■	• 5.2 *	0.7	↓	G 4	0	.	133,500	22 23.0	-45.93
δ¹ Gru	■	• 4.0	1.0	↓	G 6	-1	}	Sep. 16'	•	340
δ² Gru	■	• 4.1	1.6	↓	M 4	-1	}	.	.	340
β Gru	■	• 2.1	1.6	↓	M 5	-2	.	170	22 42.7	-46.88
β Oct	■	• 4.1	0.2	↓	A 9	1	.	142	22 46.1	-81.38
ε Gru	■	• 3.5	0.1	↓	A 3	0	.	130	22 48.6	-51.32
ι Gru	■	• 3.9	1.0	↓	K 0	0	.	190	23 10.4	-45.25
γ Tuc	■	• 4.0	0.4	↓	F 1	2	.	72	23 17.4	-58.24

BINARY	Position	V-Mag.	B–V	Te.	Sep.	PA	Vis.
δ Aps	■	• 4.7	5.3	1.7	1.4	↔	103°.3
ϑ Ind	■	• 4.5	6.9	0.2	0.6	↓↓	7.0
π Gru	■	• 5.6	6.3	0.4	2.2	↓↓	258

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κ Pav	□ •
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Max.	2454004



# Photographs of 250 Nebulae

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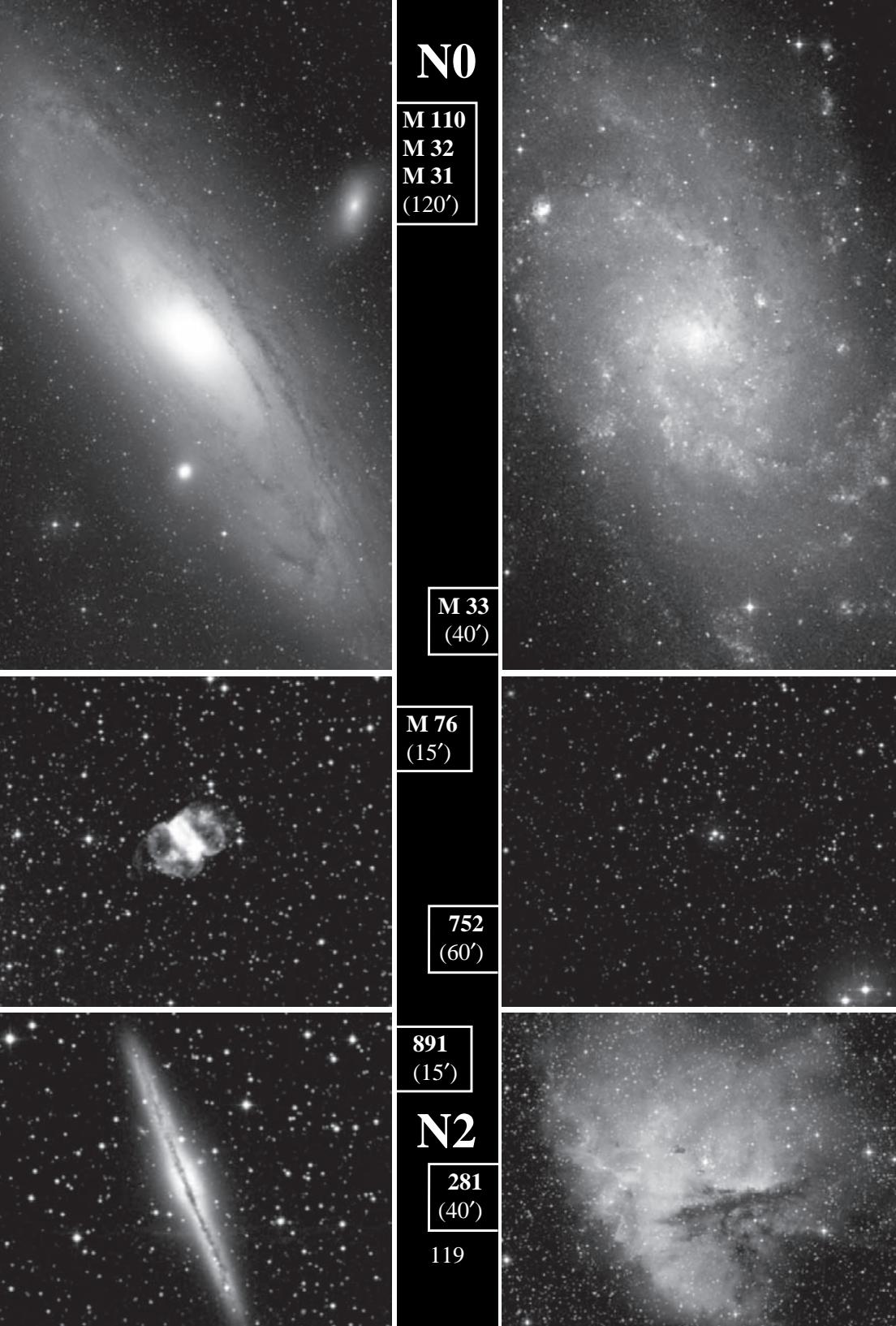
The following pages (119-149) display all nebulae featured in "The Observer's Sky Atlas". The photographs are taken from the Palomar Observatory Sky Survey II for the northern nebulae and from the United Kingdom Schmidt Telescope for the southern nebulae. All photographs were taken in red light, except for the following nebulae which were taken in red and near infrared light in order to avoid overexposure: NGC 1931, M 57, NGC 1535, M 42, M 43, NGC 2024, NGC 2392, NGC 6369, M 11, M 20, M 8, M 16, M 17, NGC 2070, NGC 3132, and NGC 3372.

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On the following pages, the nebulae appear in the same order as in the catalog. The large bold letters give the chart numbers. The nebulae carry the same designation as in the catalog. Messier objects are listed with an "M", while a number only means an object of the New General Catalogue. Below each designation, the width of the shown photographic section in arc-minutes is listed. For the few photographs in portrait shape, the height is listed instead. For most nebulae, a field of 15' width is printed so that the sizes of different nebulae can be easily compared. This roughly corresponds to the field of view at a power of 200x. For large nebulae, fields up to 200' are shown. For some large nebulae, the outer fringes may not be included here in order to show the central region at a reasonable scale. All photographs are oriented with north at the top and east at the left side, the same orientation as in the star charts.

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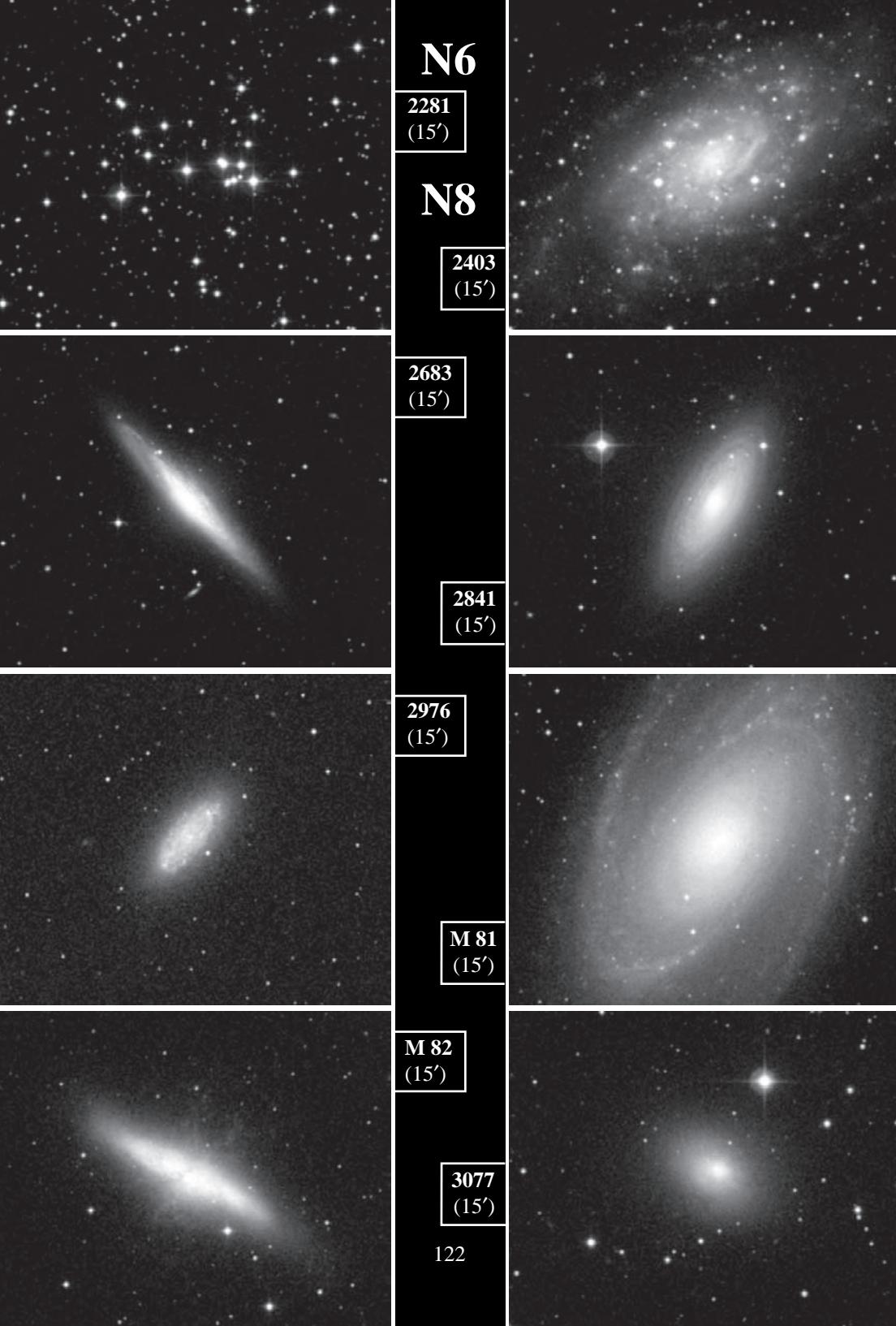
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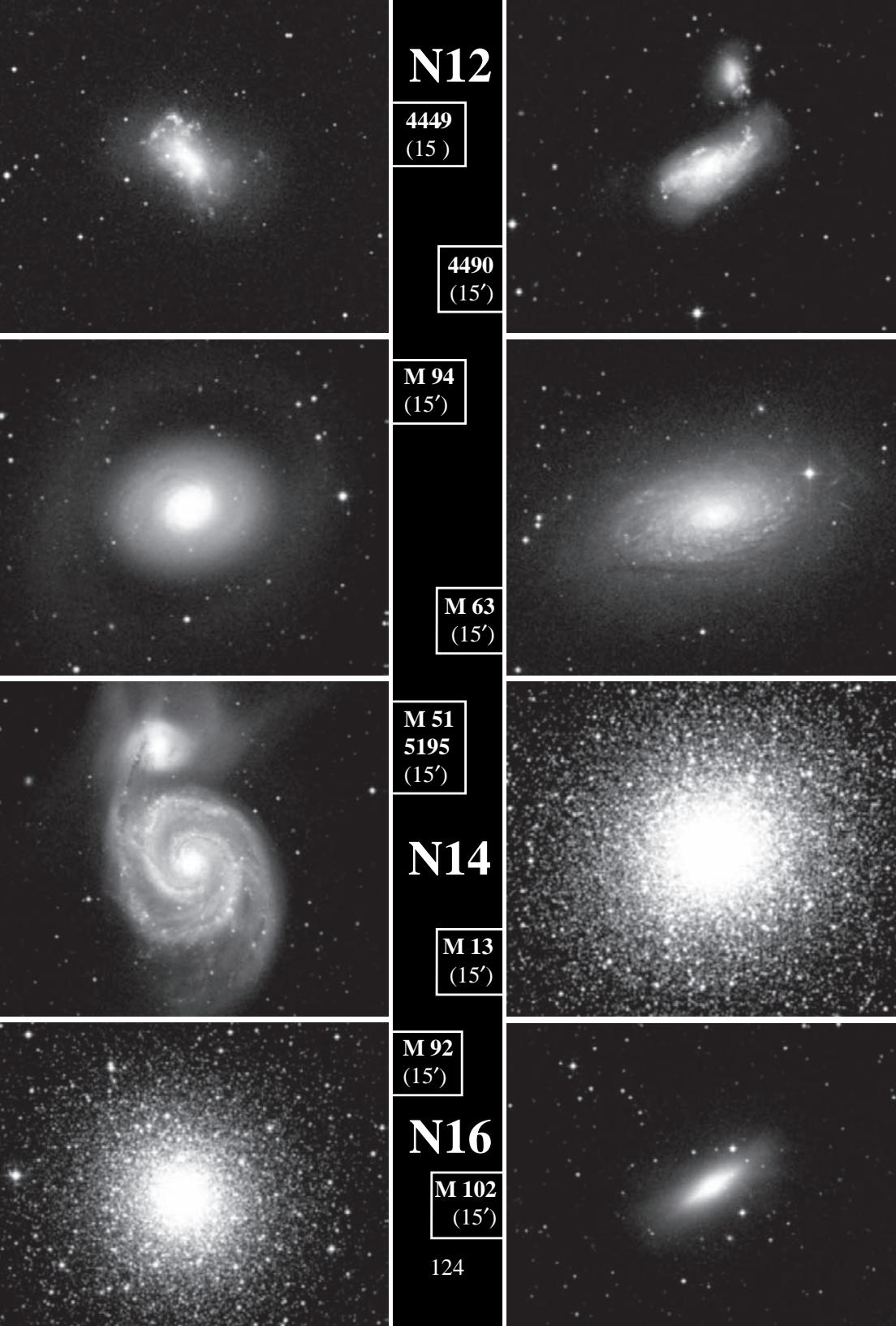
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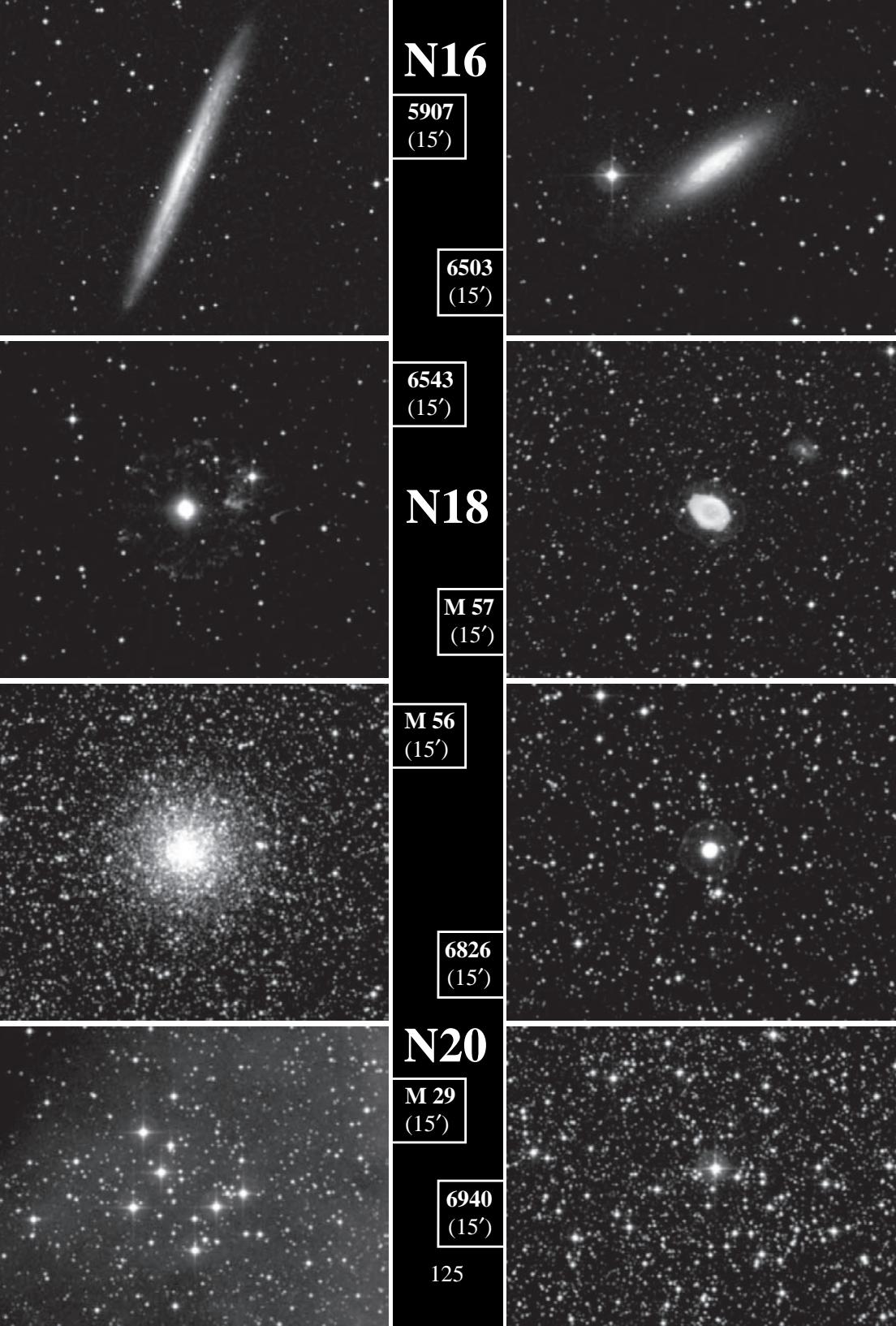
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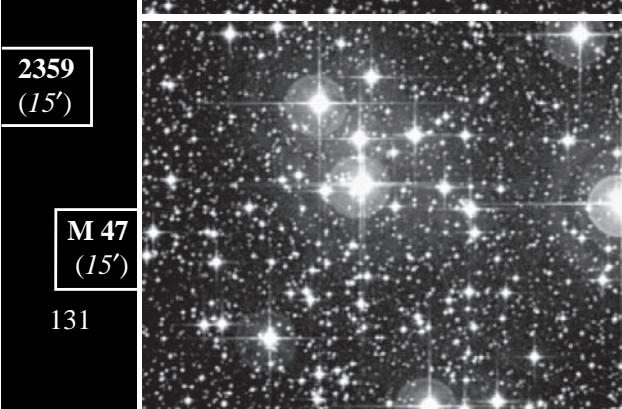
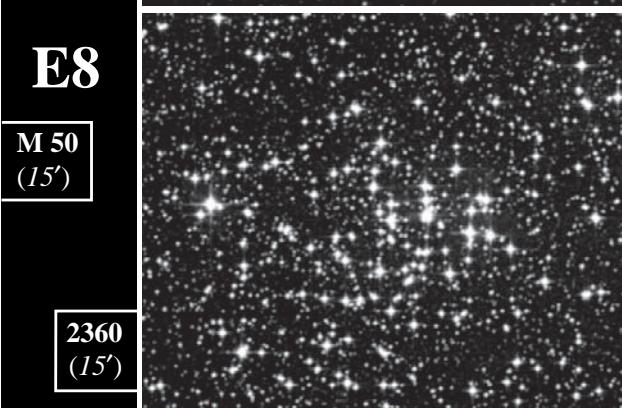
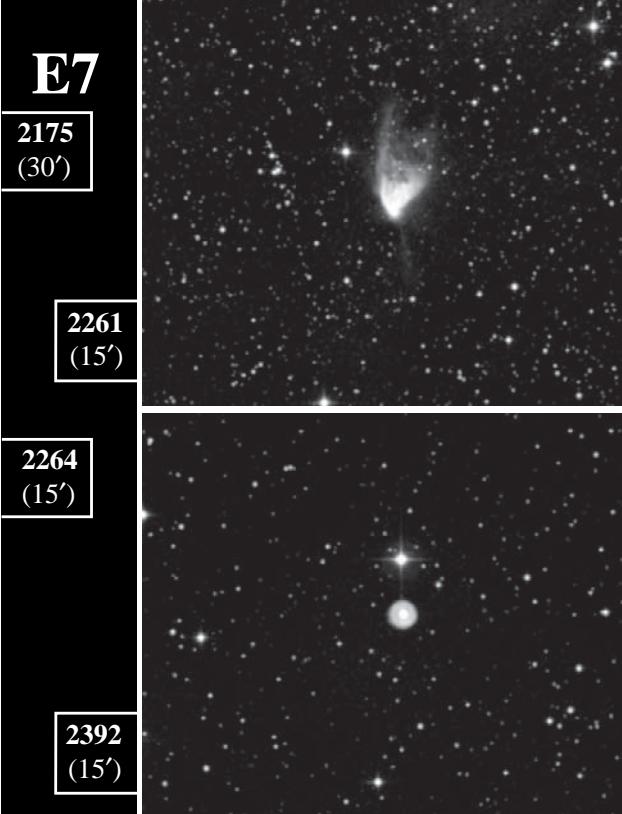
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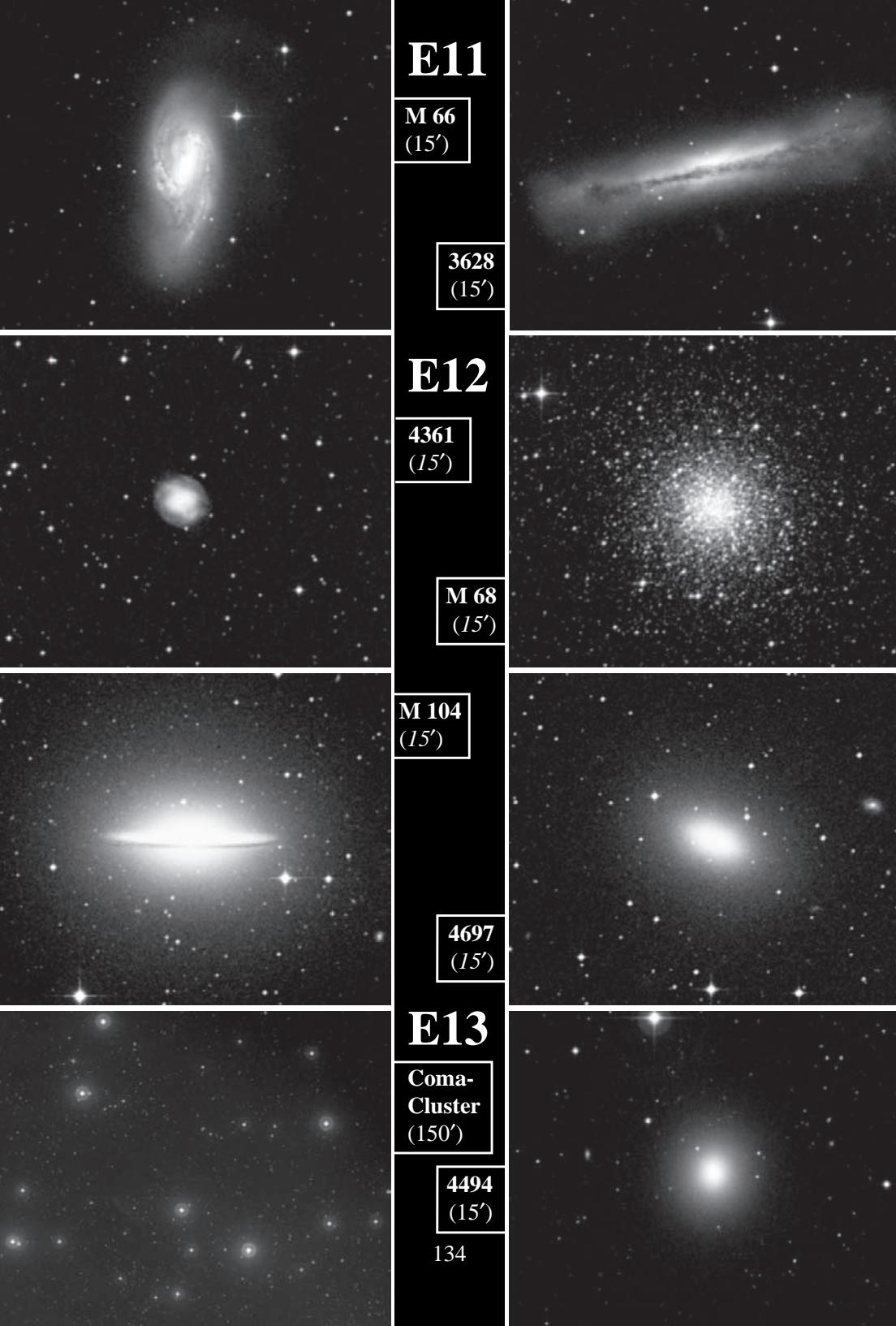
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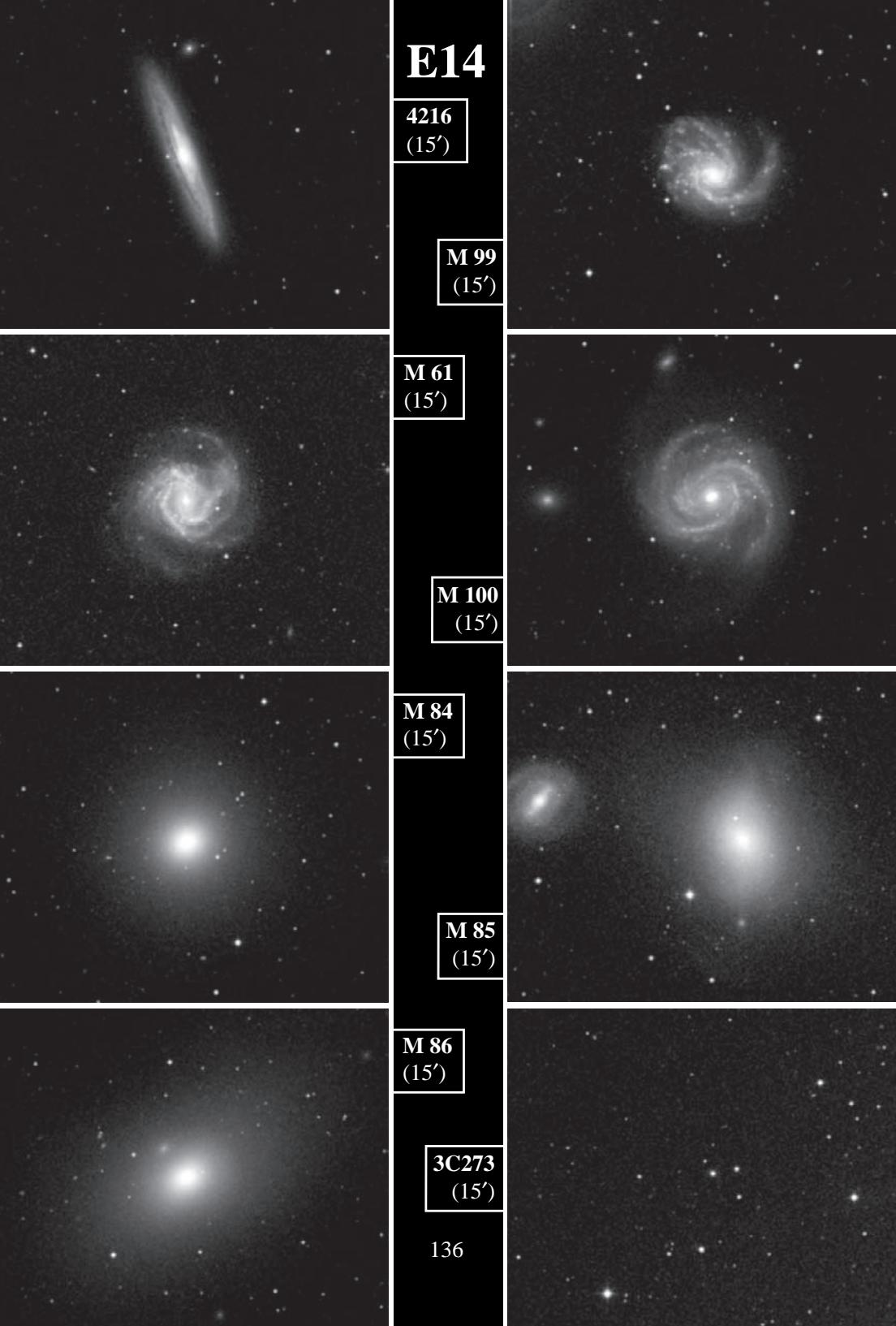
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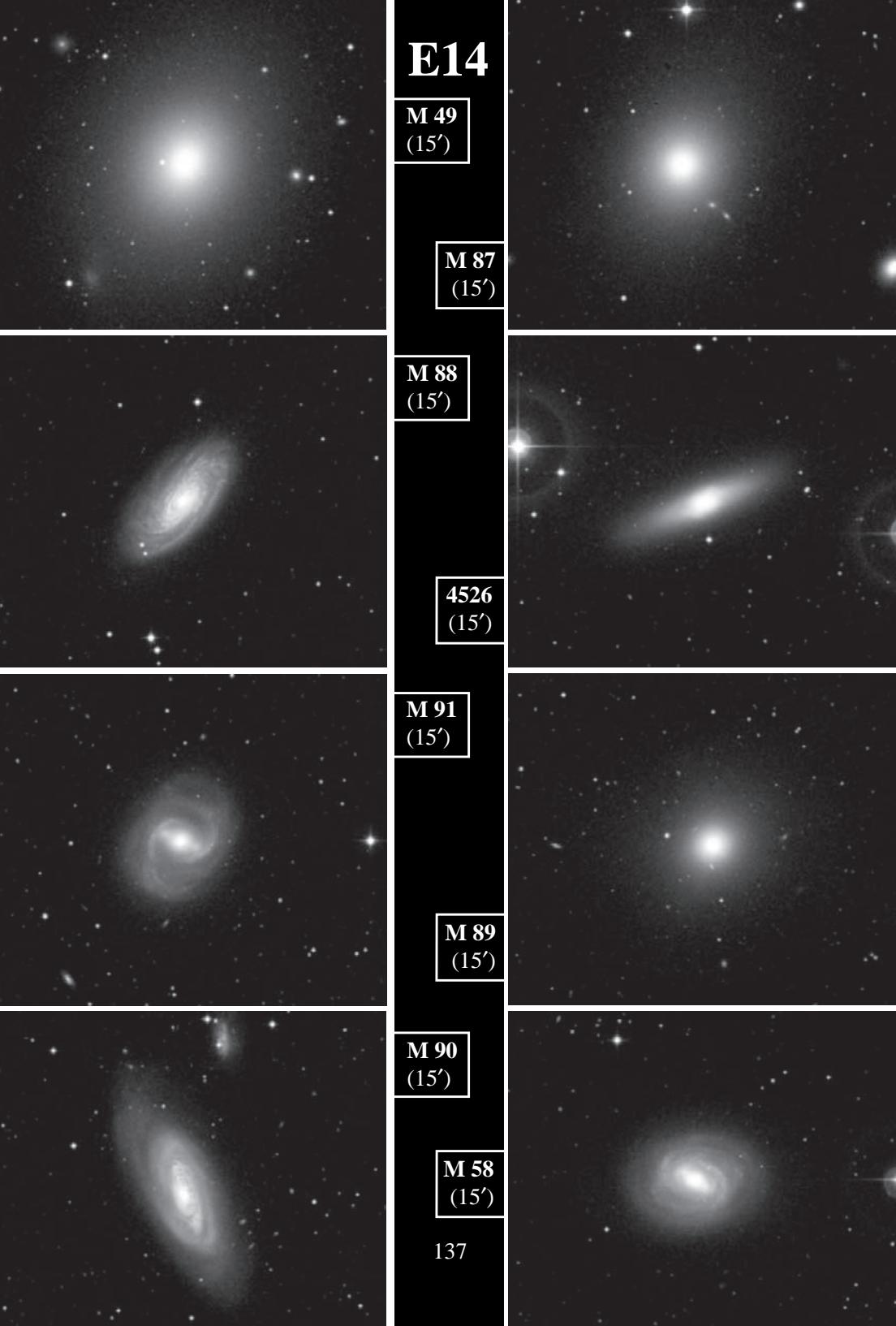
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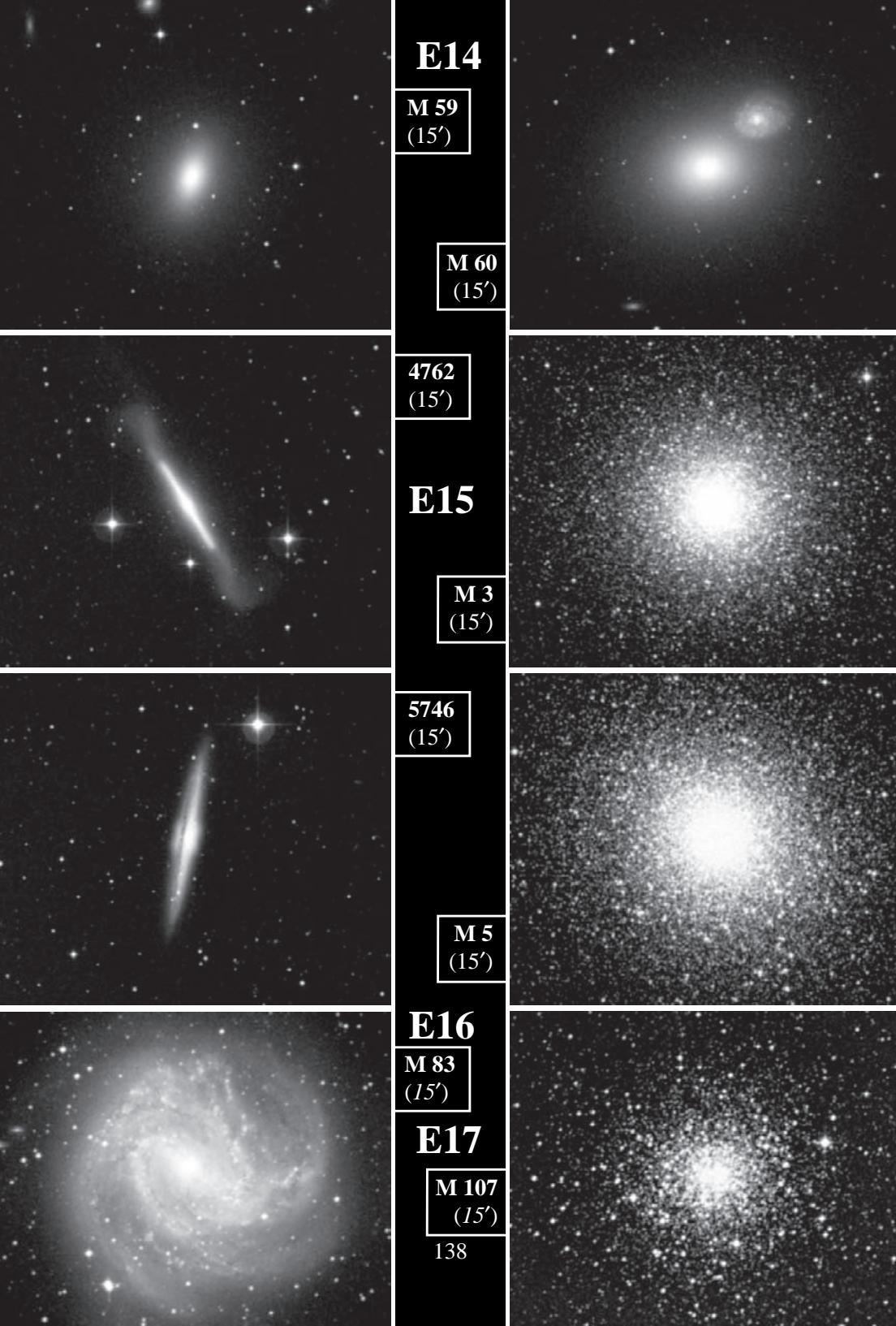
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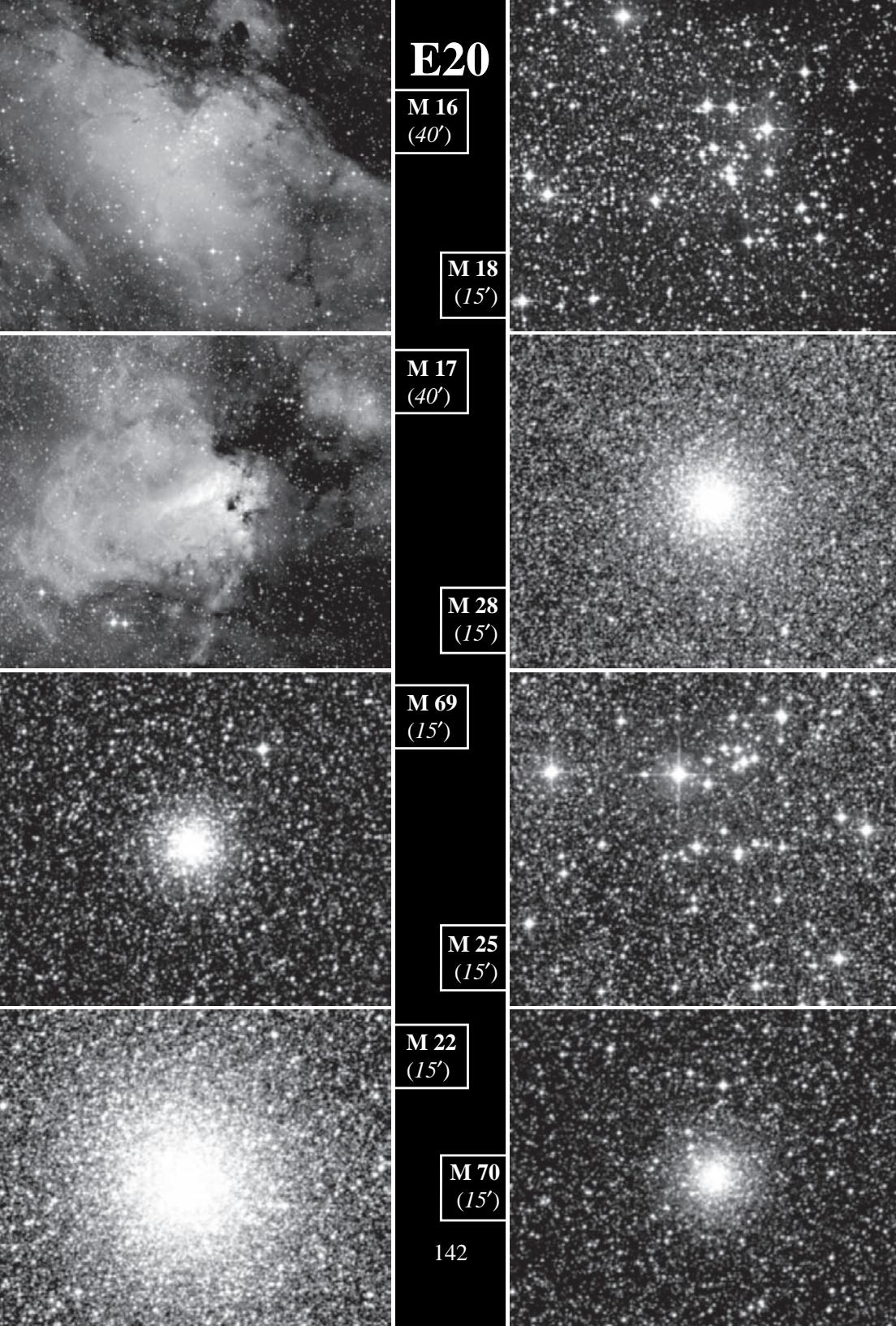
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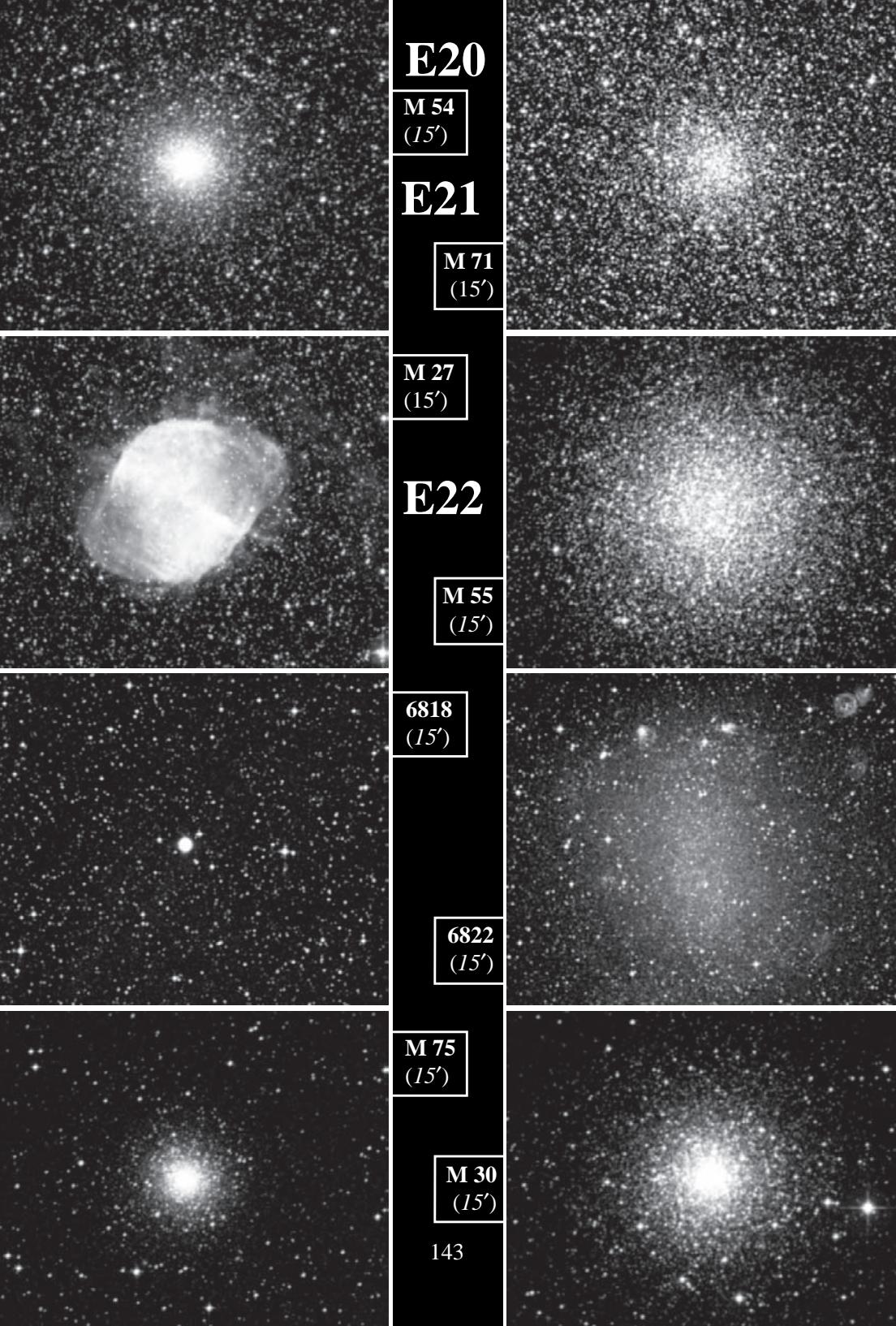
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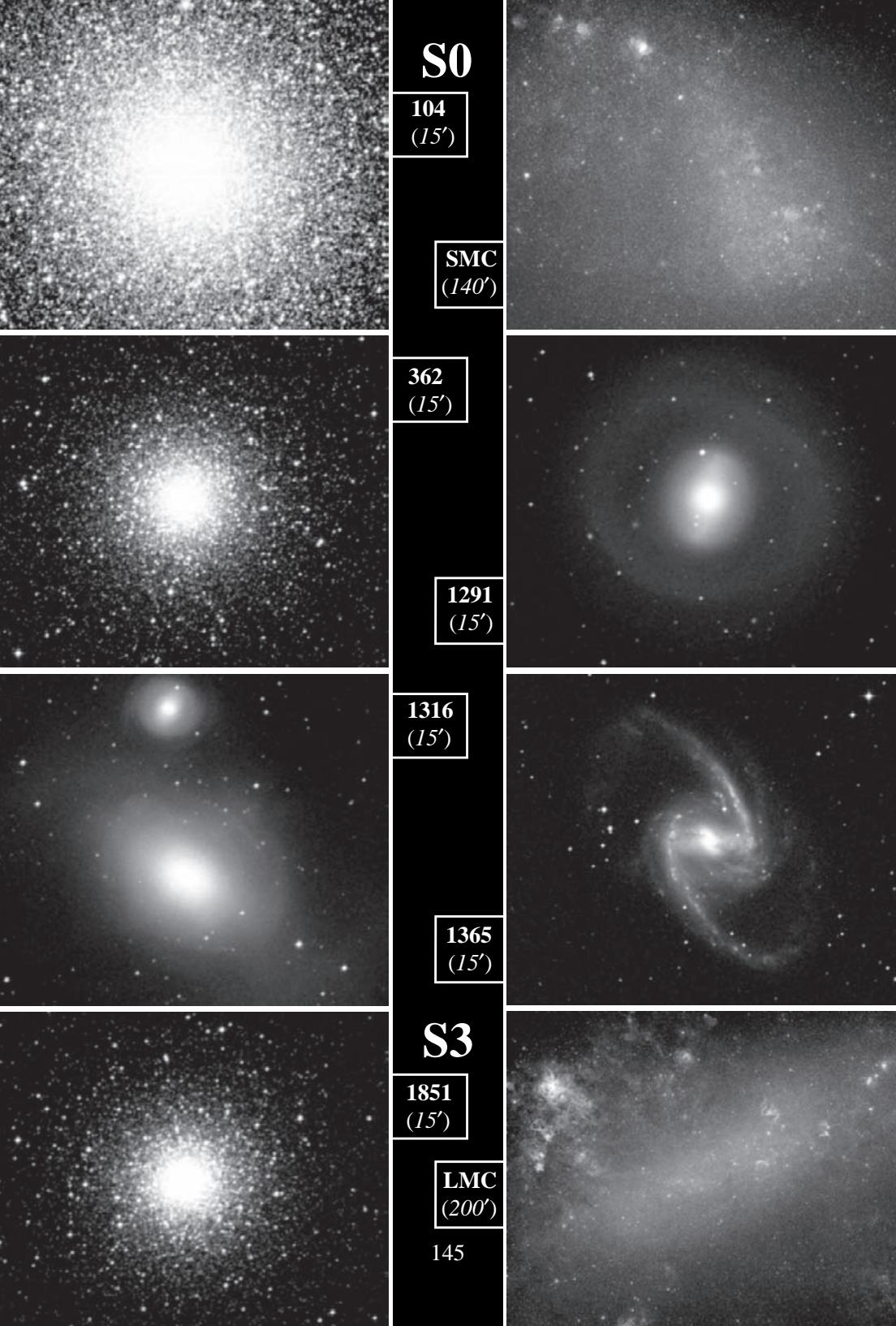
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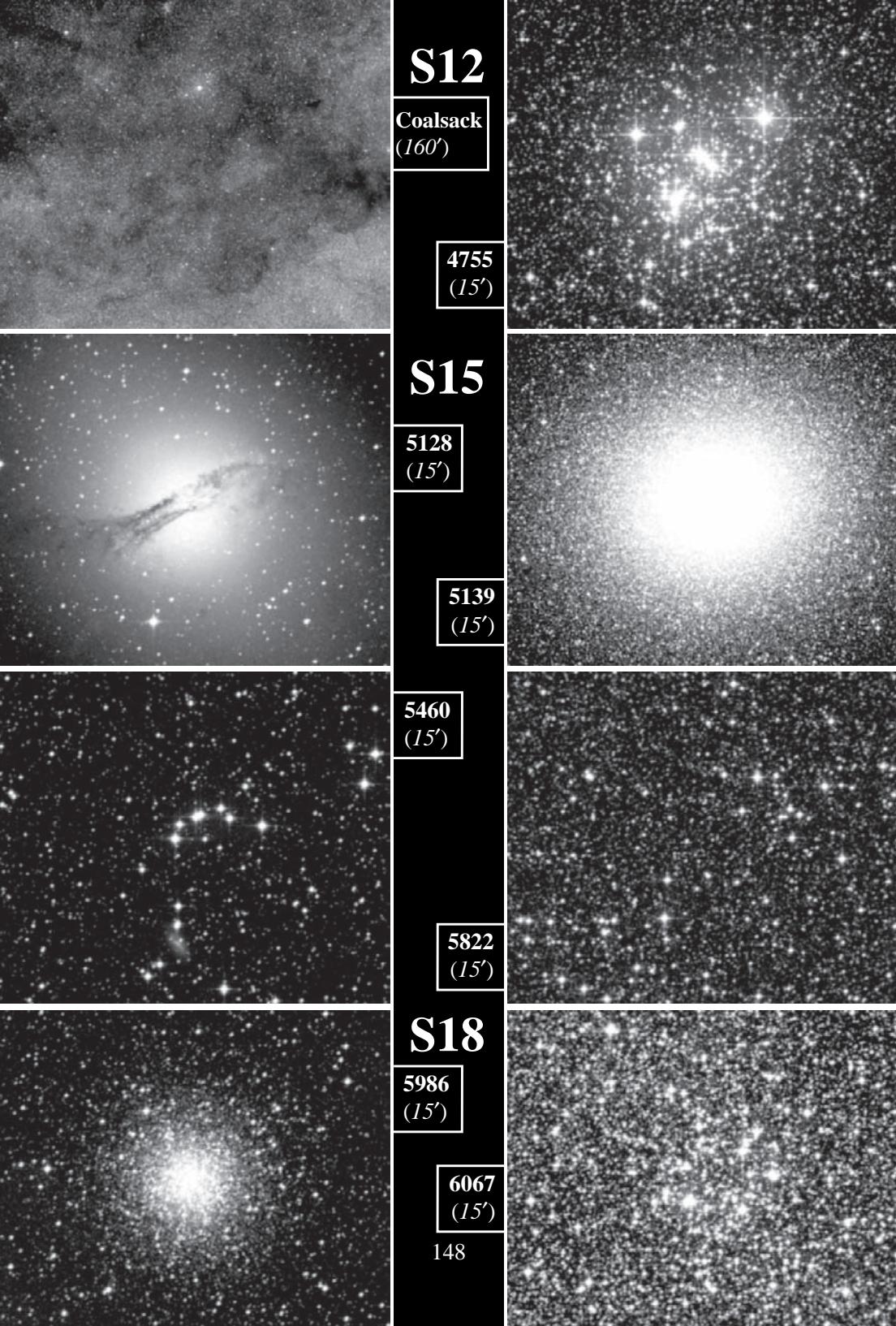
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# Appendix

# Brightest Stars \_\_\_\_\_ Meteor Showers

Brightest Stars		Name	V-Mag.	B-V	Te.	Abs.	Dist.	Chart
		Sun . . . .	-26.74	0.66	↓	4. <sup>M</sup> 8	81-min.	
Alpha	Canis Majoris	Sirius . . . .	-1.46	0.01	↓	1.4	8.6 ly	E6
Alpha	Carinae . . . .	Canopus . . . .	-0.71	0.16	↓	-5.6	310	S3
Alpha	Centauri . . . .	Toliman <sup>1)</sup> . . . .	-0.28 *	0.73	↓	4.1	4.40	S15
Alpha	Bootis . . . .	Arcturus . . . .	-0.05	1.23	↓	-0.3	36.5	E15
Alpha	Lyrae . . . .	Vega . . . .	0.03	0.00	↓	0.6	25.3	N18
Alpha	Aurigae . . . .	Capella . . . .	0.07	0.80	↓	-0.5	42	N6
Beta	Orionis . . . .	Rigel . . . .	0.14 *	-0.03	↓	-6.9	800	E4
Alpha	Canis Minoris	Procyon . . . .	0.39	0.42	↓	2.7	11.4	E9
Alpha	Eridani . . . .	Achernar . . . .	0.45	-0.16	↓	-2.8	143	S0
Alpha	Orionis . . . .	Betelgeuse . . . .	0.3-0.9	1.84	↓	-4.9	350	E5
Beta	Centauri . . . .	Hadar, Agena . . . .	0.61	-0.24	↓	-5.5	520	S15
Alpha	Crucis . . . .	Acrux . . . .	0.75 *	-0.24	↓	-4.4	340	S12
Alpha	Aquilae . . . .	Altair, Atair . . . .	0.77	0.22	↓	2.2	16.7	E21
Alpha	Tauri . . . .	Aldebaran . . . .	0.87	1.54	↑	-0.7	66	E3
Alpha	Virginis . . . .	Spica . . . .	0.98	-0.23	↓	-3.5	260	E16
Alpha	Scorpii . . . .	Antares . . . .	0.9-1.1*	1.84	↓	-4.8	450	E18
Beta	Geminorum . . . .	Pollux . . . .	1.14	1.00	↓	1.1	33.5	E7
Alpha	Piscis Austrini	Fomalhaut . . . .	1.16	0.12	↓	1.7	25.2	E22
Beta	Crucis . . . .	Mimosa . . . .	1.25	-0.24	↓	-3.9	340	S12
Alpha	Cygni . . . .	Deneb . . . .	1.25	0.09	↓	-7.7	2000	N20
Alpha	Leonis . . . .	Regulus . . . .	1.36 *	-0.10	↓	-0.5	77	E11
Epsilon	Canis Majoris	Adhara . . . .	1.50	-0.21	↓	-4.1	430	E6
Alpha	Geminorum . . . .	Castor . . . .	1.58 *	0.03	↓	0.6	52	E7
Gamma	Crucis . . . .	Gacrux . . . .	1.60 *	1.57	↑	-0.6	88	S12
Lambda	Scorpii . . . .	Shaula . . . .	1.62	-0.23	↓	-4.9	600	S21
Gamma	Orionis . . . .	Bellatrix . . . .	1.64	-0.22	↓	-2.7	240	E5

<sup>1)</sup> also called Rigel Kentaurus

Meteor Shower	Start	Max.	End	Time	Rate	Radiant	Speed	Source
								Comet
Quadrantids	Jan 2	Jan 3	Jan 4	0-7 <sup>h</sup>	40/h	15 <sup>h</sup> 20 <sup>m</sup> +50°	45 km/s	planetar
Lyrids	Apr 15	Apr 22	Apr 24	21-4	10	18 10 +35	50	1861 I
η Aquarids	May 1	May 5	May 10	3-4	15	22 30 0	65	Halley
δ Aquarids	Jul 24	Jul 31	Aug 10	0-3	15	23 00 -15	30	ecliptical
Perseids	Jul 28	Aug 11	Aug 20	21-4	80	3 00 +58	60	Swift-Tuttle
Orionids	Oct 15	Oct 20	Oct 25	23-6	15	6 20 +15	65	Halley
Taurids	Oct 20	Nov 10	Nov 30	19-6	10	3 50 +20	30	Encke
Leonids	Nov 15	Nov 17	Nov 19	1-6	10	10 10 +20	70	Tempel-Tuttle
Geminids	Dec 8	Dec 13	Dec 15	19-7	50	7 30 +30	35	ecliptical
Ursids	Dec 20	Dec 22	Dec 23	18-7	10	14 30 +75	35	Tuttle?

Time: period of visibility for northern-hemisphere observers.

Rate: meteor frequency at maximum, radiant at zenith (zenith hourly rate).

# Calendar

2006–2014

Year:	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14
Moon: New	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl
January Full	29 14	19 3	8 22	<u>26</u> 11	<u>15</u> 30	4 19	23 9	11 27	1,3016
February	28 13	17 2	7 <u>21</u>	25 9	14 28	3 18	21 7	10 25	- 14
March	<u>29</u> <u>14</u>	<u>19</u> <u>3</u>	7 21	26 11	15 30	4 19	22 8	11 27	1,3016
April	27 13	17 2	6 20	25 9	14 28	3 18	21 6	10 25	<u>29</u> <u>15</u>
May	27 13	16 2	5 20	24 9	14 27	3 17	<u>20</u> 6	<u>10</u> 25	28 14
June	25 11	15 1,30	3 18	22 7	<u>12</u> <u>26</u>	<u>1</u> <u>15</u>	19 4	8 23	27 13
July	25 11	14 30	3 18	<u>22</u> 7	<u>11</u> 26	1,3115	19 3	8 22	26 12
August	23 9	12 <u>28</u>	<u>1,3016</u>	20 6	10 24	29 13	17 2,31	6 21	25 10
September	<u>22</u> 7	<u>11</u> 26	29 15	18 4	8 23	27 12	16 30	5 19	24 9
October	22 7	11 26	28 14	18 4	7 23	26 12	15 29	5 <u>18</u>	<u>23</u> 8
November	20 5	9 24	27 13	16 2	6 21	25 10	<u>13</u> <u>28</u>	<u>3</u> 17	22 6
December	20 5	9 24	27 12	16 2,31	5 <u>21</u>	24 <u>10</u>	13 28	3 17	22 6
Mercury • east	Feb 24	Feb 7	Jan 22	Jan 4	-	-	Mar 5	Feb 16	Jan 31
• western el.	Apr 8	Mar 22	Mar 3	Feb 13	Jan 27	Jan 9	Apr 18	Mar 31	Mar 14
• eastern el.	Jun 20	Jun 2	May 14	Apr 26	Apr 8	Mar 23	Jul 1	Jun 12	May 25
• western el.	Aug 7	Jul 20	Jul 1	Jun 13	May 26	May 7	Aug 16	Jul 30	Jul 12
• eastern el.	Oct 17	Sep 29	Sep 11	Aug 24	Aug 7	Jul 20	Oct 26	Oct 9	Sep 21
• western el.	Nov 25	Nov 8	Oct 22	Oct 6	Sep 19	Sep 3	Dec 4	Nov 18	Nov 1
• eastern el.	-	-	-	Dec 18	Dec 1	Nov 14	-	-	-
• western el.	-	-	-	-	-	Dec 23	-	-	-
Venus ☽ east	-	Jun 9	-	Jan 14	Aug 20	-	Mar 27	Nov 1	-
☽ inferior c.	Jan 13	Aug 18	-	Mar 27	Oct 29	-	Jun 6	-	Jan 11
☽ western el.	Mar 25	Oct 28	-	Jun 5	-	Jan 8	Aug 15	-	Mar 22
☽ superior c.	Oct 27	-	Jun 9	-	Jan 11	Aug 16	-	Mar 28	Oct 25
Mars opposit. constellation	-	Dec 24	-	-	Jan 29	-	Mar 3	-	Apr 8
-	Gem o	-	-	Cnc o	-	Leo o	-	-	Vir o
Jupiter opposit. constellation	May 4	Jun 6	Jul 9	Aug 14	Sep 21	Oct 29	Dec 3	-	Jan 5
Lib O	Oph O	Sgr O	Cap O	Psc O	Ari O	Tau O	-	-	Gem O
Saturn opposit. constellation	Jan 27	Feb 10	Feb 24	Mar 8	Mar 22	Apr 3	Apr 15	Apr 28	May 10
Cnc C	Leo C	Leo C	Leo C	Vir C	Vir C	Vir C	Vir C	Lib C	Lib C
First Sunday Julian Date	Su JD 2453/4	Su JD 2454...	Su JD 2454...	Su JD 2454/5	Su JD 2455...	Su JD 2455...	Su JD 2455/6	Su JD 2456...	Su JD 2456...
January	1 736	7 101	6 466	4 832	3 197	2 562	1 927	6 293	5 658
February	5 767	4 132	3 497	1 863	7 228	6 593	5 958	3 324	2 689
March	5 795	4 160	2 526	1 891	7 256	6 621	4 987	3 352	2 717
April	2 826	1 191	6 557	5 922	4 287	3 652	1 018	7 383	6 748
May	7 856	6 221	4 587	3 952	2 317	1 682	6 048	5 413	4 778
June	4 887	3 252	1 618	7 983	6 348	5 713	3 079	2 444	1 809
July	2 917	1 282	6 648	5 013	4 378	3 743	1 109	7 474	6 839
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September	3 979	2 344	7 710	6 075	5 440	4 805	2 171	1 536	7 901
October	1 009	7 374	5 740	4 105	3 470	2 835	7 201	6 566	5 931
November	5 040	4 405	2 771	1 136	7 501	6 866	4 232	3 597	2 962
December	3 070	2 435	7 801	6 166	5 531	4 896	2 262	1 627	7 992

New Moon, Full Moon: underscored are solar and lunar eclipses, total eclipses.  
 Planets: greatest elongation east/west, inferior/superior conjunction, opposition.

# 2015–2024 Calendar

Year:	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
<b>Moon</b>	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl	Nw Fl
Jan.	20 5	10 24	28 12	17 2,31	6 21	24 10	13 28	2 17	21 6	11 25
Feb.	18 3	8 22	26 11	15 -	4 19	23 9	11 27	1 16	20 5	9 24
March	20 5	9 23	28 12	17 2,31	6 21	24 9	13 28	2 18	21 7	10 25
April	18 4	7 22	26 11	16 30	5 19	23 8	12 27	1,3016	20 6	8 23
May	18 4	6 21	25 10	15 29	4 18	22 7	11 26	30 16	19 5	8 23
June	16 2	5 20	24 9	13 28	3 17	21 5	10 24	29 14	18 4	6 22
July	16 2,31	4 19	23 9	13 27	2 16	20 5	10 24	28 13	17 3	5 21
August	14 29	2 18	21 7	11 26	1,3015	19 3	8 22	27 12	16 1,31	4 19
Sep.	13 28	1 16	20 6	9 25	28 14	17 2	7 20	25 10	15 29	3 18
Oct.	13 27	1,3016	19 5	9 24	28 13	16 1,31	6 20	25 9	14 28	2 17
Nov.	11 25	29 14	18 4	7 23	26 12	15 30	4 19	23 8	13 27	1 15
Dec.	11 25	29 14	18 3	7 22	26 12	14 30	4 19	23 8	12 27	1,3015
<b>Mercury</b>	Jan 14	-	-	-	Feb 27	Feb 10	Jan 24	Jan 7	-	-
• west	Feb 24	Feb 7	Jan 19	Jan 1	Apr 11	Mar 24	Mar 6	Feb 16	Jan 30	Jan 12
• east	May 7	Apr 18	Apr 1	Mar 15	Jun 23	Jun 4	May 17	Apr 29	Apr 11	Mar 24
• west	Jun 24	Jun 5	May 17	Apr 29	Aug 9	Jul 22	Jul 4	Jun 16	May 29	May 9
• east	Sep 4	Aug 16	Jul 30	Jul 12	Oct 20	Oct 1	Sep 14	Aug 27	Aug 10	Jul 22
• west	Oct 16	Sep 28	Sep 12	Aug 26	Nov 28	Nov 10	Oct 25	Oct 8	Sep 22	Sep 5
• east	Dec 29	Dec 11	Nov 24	Nov 6	-	-	-	Dec 21	Dec 4	Nov 16
• west	-	-	Dec 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	Dec 25
<b>Venus</b>	De Jun 6	-	Jan 12	Aug 17	-	Mar 24	Oct 29	-	Jun 4	-
inf. ☽	Aug 15	-	Mar 25	Oct 26	-	Jun 3	-	Jan 9	Aug 13	-
inf. ☽	Oct 26	-	Jun 3	-	Jan 6	Aug 13	-	Mar 20	Oct 23	-
○ sup.	-	Jun 6	-	Jan 9	Aug 14	-	Mar 26	Oct 22	-	Jun 4
<b>Mars</b>	-	May 22	-	Jul 27	-	Oct 13	-	Dec 8	-	-
constell.	-	Sco ○	-	Cap ○	-	Psc ○	-	Tau ○	-	-
<b>Jupiter</b>	Feb 6	Mar 8	Apr 7	May 9	Jun 10	Jul 14	Aug 20	Sep 26	Nov 3	Dec 7
constell.	Cnc○	Leo ○	Vir ○	Lib ○	Oph○	Sgr ○	Aqr○	Psc○	Ari ○	Tau○
<b>Saturn</b>	May 23	Jun 3	Jun 15	Jun 27	Jul 9	Jul 20	Aug 2	Aug 14	Aug 27	Sep 8
constell.	Lib ☽	Oph○	Sgr ☽	Sgr ☽	Sgr ☽	Sgr ☽	Cap○	Cap○	Aqr○	Aqr○
<b>First Su</b>	Su JD 2457...	Su JD 2457...	Su JD 2457/8	Su JD 2458...	Su JD 2458...	Su JD 2458/9	Su JD 2459...	Su JD 2459...	Su JD 2459/60	Su JD 2460...
<b>Jul.Date</b>	2457...	2457...	2457/8	2458...	2458...	2458/9	2459...	2459...	2459/60	2460...
Jan.	4 023	3 388	1 754	7 119	6 484	5 849	3 215	2 580	1 945	7 310
Feb.	1 054	7 419	5 785	4 150	3 515	2 880	7 246	6 611	5 976	4 341
March	1 082	6 448	5 813	4 178	3 543	1 909	7 274	6 639	5 004	3 370
April	5 113	3 479	2 844	1 209	7 574	5 940	4 305	3 670	2 035	7 401
May	3 143	1 509	7 874	6 239	5 604	3 970	2 335	1 700	7 065	5 431
June	7 174	5 540	4 905	3 270	2 635	7 001	6 366	5 731	4 096	2 462
July	5 204	3 570	2 935	1 300	7 665	5 031	4 396	3 761	2 126	7 492
August	2 235	7 601	6 966	5 331	4 696	2 062	1 427	7 792	6 157	4 523
Sep.	6 266	4 632	3 997	2 362	1 727	6 093	5 458	4 823	3 188	1 554
Oct.	4 296	2 662	1 027	7 392	6 757	4 123	3 488	2 853	1 218	6 584
Nov.	1 327	6 693	5 058	4 423	3 788	1 154	7 519	6 884	5 249	3 615
Dec.	6 357	4 723	3 088	2 453	1 818	6 184	5 549	4 914	3 279	1 645

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Example: 25 Dec. 2010, 1<sup>h</sup>: JD = 2455000 + 531 + 25 -  $\frac{11}{24}$  = 2455555.542.

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M 41 E6	M 96 E11	1952 E3	3034 N8	4594 E12	6475 E18	7209 N24				
M 42 E4	M 97 N10	1960 N6	3077 N8	4621 E14	6494 E20	7243 N24				
M 43 E4	M 98 E14	1973 E4	3114 S9	4631 E13	6503 N16	7293 E24				
M 44 E9	M 99 E14	1976 E4	3115 E10	4649 E14	6514 E20	7331 E23				
M 45 E3	M 100 E14	1981 E4	3132 S6	4656 E13	6523 E20	7654 N22				
M 46 E8	M 101 N10	1982 E4	3184 N10	4697 E12	6531 E20	7662 N24				
M 47 E8	M 102 N16	2024 E5	3201 S6	4725 E13	6541 S21	7789 N22				
M 48 E10	M 103 N2									
M 49 E14	M 104 E12	IC 1396	N22	$\eta$ Carinae Nebula	= NGC 3372	S9				
M 50 E8	M 105 E11	IC 2391	S6	$\sigma$ Velorum Cluster	= IC 2391	S6				
M 51 N12	M 106 N12	IC 2602	S9	$\omega$ Centauri	= NGC 5139	S15				
M 52 N22	M 107 E17	IC 4665	E17	47 Tucanae	= NGC 104	S0				
M 53 E13	M 108 N10	IC 4725	E20	Centaurus A	= NGC 5128	S15				
M 54 E20	M 109 N10	IC 4756	E19	Fornax A	= NGC 1316	S0				
M 55 E22	M 110 N0	IC 5067	N20	Virgo A	= M 87	E14				

# Nebula Names

Nebula Name	NGC	Messier	Const.	Mag.	Type	Vis.	Chart
Andromeda Galaxy . . . . .	224	M 31	And	4	Glx		N0
Barnard's Galaxy . . . . .	6822	. . .	Sgr	9	Glx		E22
Black Eye Galaxy . . . . .	4826	M 64	Com	9	Glx		E13
Blinking Planetary . . . . .	6826	. . .	Cyg	8½	PN		N18
Blue Snowball . . . . .	7662	. . .	And	8½	PN		N24
Butterfly Cluster . . . . .	6405	M 6	Sco	4½	OC		E18
Christmas Tree (Cluster) . . . . .	2264	. . .	Mon	4	OC		E7
Coalsack . . . . .			Cru	(3)	Dark N.		S12
Coma (Star) Cluster . . . . .			Com	2½	OC		E13
Crab Nebula . . . . .	1952	M 1	Tau	8	DN		E3
Double Cluster, h and χ Persei . . . . .	869, 884		Per	4	OC		N2
Dumbbell Nebula . . . . .	6853	M 27	Vul	7	PN		E21
Eagle Nebula . . . . .	6611	M 16	Ser	6	DN		E20
Eskimo Nebula . . . . .	2392	. . .	Gem	9	PN		E7
Fornax (Galaxy) Cluster . . . . .	1316, 1365		For	9	Glx		S0
Ghost of Jupiter . . . . .	3242	. . .	Hya	8	PN		E10
Helix Nebula . . . . .	7293	. . .	Aqr	7	PN		E24
Hercules Cluster . . . . .	6205	M 13	Her	6	GC		N14
Hubble's Variable Nebula . . . . .	2261	. . .	Mon	9½	DN		E7
Hyades . . . . .			Tau	1	OC		E3
Jewel Box, κ Crucis (Cluster) . . . . .	4755	. . .	Cru	4½	OC		S12
Lagoon Nebula . . . . .	6523	M 8	Sgr	4½	DN		E20
Large Magellanic Cloud, LMC . . . . .			Dor	0	Glx		S3
Little Dumbbell . . . . .	650	M 76	Per	10	PN		N0
Makarian's (Galaxy) Chain . . . . .	M 86-M 88		Com	9½	Glx		E14
North America Nebula . . . . .	7000	. . .	Cyg	5	DN		N20
Omega Nebula, Swan Nebula . . . . .	6618	M 17	Sgr	6	DN		E20
Orion Nebula . . . . .	1976	M 42	Ori	3½	DN		E4
Owl Nebula . . . . .	3587	M 97	UMa	10	PN		N10
Pelican Nebula . . . . .	IC 5067	. . .	Cyg	7	DN		N20
Pinwheel Galaxy . . . . .	5457	M 101	UMa	8	Glx		N10
Pleiades, Seven Sisters . . . . .			Tau	1½	OC		E3
Praesepe, Beehive (Cluster) . . . . .	2632	M 44	Cnc	3½	OC		E9
<u>Quasi-Stellar Object</u> 3 C 273 . . . . .			Vir	13	Quasar		E14
Ring Nebula . . . . .	6720	M 57	Lyr	8½	PN		N18
Rosette Nebula . . . . .	2237	. . .	Mon	6	DN		E9
Saturn Nebula . . . . .	7009	. . .	Aqr	8	PN		E24
Sculptor Galaxy . . . . .	253	. . .	Scl	7½	Glx		E0
Small Magellanic Cloud, SMC . . . . .			Tuc	2½	Glx		S0
Sombrero Galaxy . . . . .	4594	M 104	Vir	8½	Glx		E12
Southern Pleiades . . . . .	IC 2602	. . .	Car	2	OC		S9
Spindle Galaxy . . . . .	3115	. . .	Sex	9½	Glx		E10
Tarantula Nebula . . . . .	2070	. . .	Dor	4½	DN		S3
Triangulum Galaxy . . . . .	598	M 33	Tri	6	Glx		N0
Trifid Nebula . . . . .	6514	M 20	Sgr	7	DN		E20
Veil Nebula, Filamentary Nebula . . . . .	6960	. . .	Cyg	9	DN		N20
Cirrus N., Network Nebula . . . . .	6992	. . .	Cyg	7½	DN		N20
Virgo Cluster . . . . .			Vir	8½	Glx		E14
Whirlpool Galaxy . . . . .	5194	M 51	CVn	8½	Glx		N12

# Star Names

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Star Name	Designat.	Mag.	Chart
Acamar . . .	$\vartheta$ Eri	• 2.9	S0
Achernar . . .	$\alpha$ Eri	• 0.5	S0
Acrab . . . .	$\beta$ Sco	• 2.4	E18
Acrux . . . .	$\alpha$ Cru	• 0.7	S12
Acubens . . . .	$\alpha$ Cnc	• 4.3	E9
Adhara . . . .	$\varepsilon$ CMa	• 1.5	E6
Agena . . . .	$\beta$ Cen	• 0.6	S15
Alamak . . . .	$\gamma$ And	• 2.1	$\ddagger$ N0
Albireo . . . .	$\beta$ Cyg	• 2.9	$\ddagger$ N18
Alchiba . . . .	$\alpha$ Crv	• 4.0	E12
Alcor . . . .	80 UMa	• 4.0	N10
Alcyone . . . .	$\eta$ Tau	• 2.8	E3
Aldebaran . . .	$\alpha$ Tau	• 0.9	E3
Alderamin . . .	$\alpha$ Cep	• 2.5	N22
Aldhafera . . .	$\zeta$ Leo	• 3.4	E11
Alfirk . . . .	$\beta$ Cep	• 3.2	$\ddagger$ N22
Algenib . . . .	$\gamma$ Peg	• 2.8	E1
Algieba . . . .	$\gamma$ Leo	• 2.0	$\ddagger$ E11
Algiedi . . . .	$\alpha$ Cap	• 3.1	$\ddagger$ E22
Algol . . . .	$\beta$ Per	• 2.1–3.4	N4
Algorab . . . .	$\delta$ Crv	• 2.9	E12
Alhena . . . .	$\gamma$ Gem	• 1.9	E7
Alioth . . . .	$\varepsilon$ UMa	• 1.8	N10
Alkaid . . . .	$\eta$ UMa	• 1.9	N10
Allalurops . . .	$\mu$ Boo	• 4.2	$\ddagger$ N14
Alkes . . . .	$\alpha$ Crt	• 4.1	E12
Alnair . . . .	$\alpha$ Gru	• 1.7	S24
Alnasl . . . .	$\gamma$ Sgr	• 3.0	E20
Alnilam . . . .	$\varepsilon$ Ori	• 1.7	E5
Alnitak . . . .	$\zeta$ Ori	• 1.7	$\ddagger$ E5
Alphard . . . .	$\alpha$ Hya	• 2.0	E10
Alphekka . . . .	$\alpha$ CrB	• 2.2	E15
Alpheratz . . .	$\alpha$ And	• 2.1	N0
Alschain . . . .	$\beta$ Aql	• 3.7	E21
Altair . . . .	$\alpha$ Aql	• 0.8	E21
Altais . . . .	$\delta$ Dra	• 3.1	N16
Altarf . . . .	$\beta$ Cnc	• 3.5	E9
Alterf . . . .	$\lambda$ Leo	• 4.3	E11
Aludra . . . .	$\eta$ CMa	• 2.4	$\ddagger$ E6
Alula Australis	$\xi$ UMa	• 3.8	$\ddagger$ N12
Alula Borealis	$\nu$ UMa	• 3.5	N12
Alya . . . .	$\vartheta$ Ser	• 4.0	$\ddagger$ E19
Ankaa . . . .	$\alpha$ Phe	• 2.4	S0
Antares . . . .	$\alpha$ Sco	• 0.9–1.1	$\ddagger$ E18
Arcturus . . . .	$\alpha$ Boo	• 0.0	E15
Arneb . . . .	$\alpha$ Lep	• 2.6	E4
Asellus Australis	$\delta$ Cnc	• 3.9	E9

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Asellus Borealis	$\gamma$ Cnc	• 4.7	E9
Aspidiske . . .	$\xi$ Pup	• 3.2	$\ddagger$ E6
Atair . . . .	$\alpha$ Aql	• 0.8	E21
Atik . . . .	$\alpha$ Per	• 3.8	N4
Atlas . . . .	27 Tau	• 3.6	E3
Avoir . . . .	$\varepsilon$ Car	• 1.9	S3
Baham . . . .	$\vartheta$ Peg	• 3.5	E23
Barnard's Star		• 9.5	E17
Baten Kaitos	$\zeta$ Cet	• 3.7	E0
Bellatrix . . .	$\gamma$ Ori	• 1.6	E5
Benetnasch	$\eta$ UMa	• 1.9	N10
Betelgeuse . . .	$\alpha$ Ori	• 0.3–0.9	E5
Canopus . . .	$\alpha$ Car	• –0.7	S3
Capella . . . .	$\alpha$ Aur	• 0.1	N6
Castor . . . .	$\alpha$ Gem	• 1.6	$\ddagger$ E7
Cebalrai . . .	$\beta$ Oph	• 2.8	E17
Ceginus . . .	$\gamma$ Boo	• 3.0	N14
Chaph . . . .	$\beta$ Cas	• 2.3	N2
Cor Caroli . . .	$\alpha$ CVn	• 2.8	$\ddagger$ N12
Coxa . . . .	$\vartheta$ Leo	• 3.3	E11
Cursa . . . .	$\beta$ Eri	• 2.8	E2
Deneb . . . .	$\alpha$ Cyg	• 1.3	N20
Deneb Algedi	$\delta$ Cap	• 2.8–3.1	E22
Deneb Kaitos	$\beta$ Cet	• 2.0	E0
Denebola . . .	$\beta$ Leo	• 2.1	E11
Diadem . . . .	$\alpha$ Com	• 4.3	E13
Diphda . . . .	$\beta$ Cet	• 2.0	E0
Double Double	$\varepsilon$ Lyr	• 3.9	$\ddagger$ N18
Dubhe . . . .	$\alpha$ UMa	• 1.8	N10
Edasich . . . .	$\iota$ Dra	• 3.3	N16
Electra . . . .	17 Tau	• 3.7	E3
Elmuthalath	$\alpha$ Tri	• 3.4	N0
Elnath . . . .	$\beta$ Tau	• 1.7	E3
Enif . . . .	$\varepsilon$ Peg	• 2.4	E23
Errai . . . .	$\gamma$ Cep	• 3.2	N22
Ettanin . . . .	$\gamma$ Dra	• 2.2	N16
Fomalhaut . . .	$\alpha$ PsA	• 1.2	E22
Gacrux . . . .	$\gamma$ Cru	• 1.6	$\ddagger$ S12
Gemma . . . .	$\alpha$ CrB	• 2.2	E15
Giauzar . . . .	$\lambda$ Dra	• 3.8	N16
Gienah . . . .	$\gamma$ Crv	• 2.6	E12
Gomeisa . . . .	$\beta$ CMi	• 2.9	E9
Grumium . . . .	$\xi$ Dra	• 3.7	N16
Hadar . . . .	$\beta$ Cen	• 0.6	S15
Hamal . . . .	$\alpha$ Ari	• 2.0	E1
Homam . . . .	$\zeta$ Peg	• 3.4	E23
Izar . . . .	$\varepsilon$ Boo	• 2.4	$\ddagger$ E15

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Kaus Australis	$\varepsilon$ Sgr	● 1.8	E20
Kaus Borealis	$\lambda$ Sgr	● 2.8	E20
Kaus Media	$\delta$ Sgr	● 2.7	E20
Kitalphar	. $\alpha$ Equ	● 3.9	E23
Kochab	. $\beta$ UMi	● 2.1	NP
La Superba	Y CVn	• 5.2–5.6	N12
Lesath	. $v$ Sco	● 2.7	S21
Maia	. . . . 20 Tau	● 3.8	E3
Marfik	. $\lambda$ Oph	● 3.8 *	E17
Markab	. . . $\alpha$ Peg	● 2.5	E23
Matar	. . . $\eta$ Peg	● 2.9	E23
Mebsuta	. . . $\varepsilon$ Gem	● 3.1	E7
Megrez	. . . $\delta$ UMa	● 3.3	N10
Mekbuda	. . . $\zeta$ Gem	• 3.6–4.2 *	E7
Menkalinan	. $\beta$ Aur	● 1.9	N6
Menkar	. . . $\alpha$ Cet	● 2.5	E0
Menkib	. . . $\xi$ Per	● 4.0	N4
Merak	. . . $\beta$ UMa	● 2.3	N10
Merope	. . . 23 Tau	● 4.1	E3
Mesarthim	. . . $\gamma$ Ari	● 3.9 *	E1
Miaplacidus	. . . $\beta$ Car	● 1.7	S9
Mimosa	. . . $\beta$ Cru	● 1.3	S12
Mintaka	. . . $\delta$ Ori	● 2.2 *	E5
Mira	. . . $o$ Cet	• 3.4–9.2	E0
Mirach	. . . $\beta$ And	● 2.1	N0
Mirphak	. . . $\alpha$ Per	● 1.8	N4
Mirzam	. . . $\beta$ CMa	● 2.0	E6
Mizar	. . . $\zeta$ UMa	● 2.0 *	N10
Muphrid	. . . $\eta$ Boo	● 2.7	E15
Nath	. . . $\beta$ Tau	● 1.7	E3
Nekkar	. . . $\beta$ Boo	● 3.5	N14
Nihal	. . . $\beta$ Lep	● 2.8	E4
North Star	. . . $\alpha$ UMi	● 2.0	NP
Nunki	. . . $\sigma$ Sgr	● 2.0	E20
Nusakan	. . . $\beta$ CrB	● 3.7	E15
Peacock	. . . $\alpha$ Pav	● 1.9	S24
Phact	. . . $\alpha$ Col	● 2.6	E2
Phad	. . . $\gamma$ UMa	● 2.4	N10
Phegda	. . . $\gamma$ UMa	● 2.4	N10
Pherkad	. . . $\gamma$ UMi	● 3.0	NP
Phurud	. . . $\zeta$ CMa	● 3.0 *	E6
Piazzi's Flying	61 Cyg	● 4.8 *	N24
Pleione [Star]	28 Tau	• 4.9–5.2	E3
Polaris	. . . $\alpha$ UMi	● 2.0	NP
Pollux	. . . $\beta$ Gem	● 1.1	E7
Porrima	. . . $\gamma$ Vir	● 2.7 *	E12
Procyon	. . . $\alpha$ CMi	● 0.4	E9
Pulcherrima	. . . $\varepsilon$ Boo	● 2.4 *	E15
Rasalgethi	. . . $\alpha$ Her	• 2.6–3.4 *	E19

Star Name	Designat.	Mag.	Chart
Rasalhague	. . $\alpha$ Oph	● 2.1	E17
Rastaben	. . . $\beta$ Dra	● 2.8	N16
Regulus	. . . $\alpha$ Leo	● 1.4 *	E11
Rigel	. . . $\beta$ Ori	● 0.1 *	E4
Rigil Kentaurus	. . . $\alpha$ Cen	● -0.3 *	S15
Ruchbah	. . . $\delta$ Cas	● 2.7	N2
Ruticulus	. . . $\beta$ Her	● 2.8	E19
Sabik	. . . . $\eta$ Oph	● 2.4	E17
Sadachbia	. . . $\gamma$ Aqr	● 3.9	E24
Sadalbari	. . . $\mu$ Peg	● 3.5	E23
Sadalmelik	. . . $\alpha$ Aqr	● 3.0	E24
Sadalsuud	. . . $\beta$ Aqr	● 2.9	E24
Sadr	. . . . $\gamma$ Cyg	● 2.2	N20
Saiph	. . . . $\kappa$ Ori	● 2.1	E4
Sargas	. . . . $\vartheta$ Sco	● 1.9	S21
Scheat	. . . . $\beta$ Peg	● 2.4–2.6	E23
Schedir	. . . . $\alpha$ Cas	● 2.2	N2
Shaula	. . . . $\lambda$ Sco	● 1.6	S21
Sheliak	. . . . $\beta$ Lyr	• 3.3–4.2 *	N18
Sheratan	. . . . $\beta$ Ari	● 2.6	E1
Sirius	. . . . $\alpha$ CMa	● -1.5	E6
Sirrah	. . . . $\alpha$ And	● 2.1	N0
Spica	. . . . $\alpha$ Vir	● 1.0	E16
Suhail Al Muhif	. . . . $\gamma$ Vel	● 1.5–1.7 *	S6
Suhail Al Wazn	. . . . $\lambda$ Vel	● 2.2	S6
Sulaphat	. . . . $\gamma$ Lyr	● 3.2	N18
Talitha	. . . . $\iota$ UMa	● 3.1	N8
Tania Australis	. . . . $\mu$ UMa	● 3.1	N10
Tania Borealis	. . . . $\lambda$ UMa	● 3.5	N10
Tarazed	. . . . $\gamma$ Aql	● 2.7	E21
Taygeta	. . . . 19 Tau	● 4.3	E3
Tejat Posterior	. . . . $\mu$ Gem	● 2.9	E7
Tejat Prior	. . . . $\eta$ Gem	● 3.2–3.4	E7
Thuban	. . . . $\alpha$ Dra	● 3.7	N16
Toliman	. . . . $\alpha$ Cen	● -0.3 *	S15
Trapezium	. . . . $\vartheta^1$ Ori	● 4.6 *	E4
Unukalhai	. . . . $\alpha$ Ser	● 2.6	E16
Vega	. . . . $\alpha$ Lyr	● 0.0	N18
Vindemiatrix	. . . . $\varepsilon$ Vir	● 2.8	E16
Wasat	. . . . $\delta$ Gem	● 3.5	E7
Wezen	. . . . $\delta$ CMa	● 1.8	E6
Yed Posterior	. . . . $\varepsilon$ Oph	● 3.2	E17
Yed Prior	. . . . $\delta$ Oph	● 2.7	E17
Zaniah	. . . . $\eta$ Vir	● 3.9	E12
Zaurak	. . . . $\gamma$ Eri	● 3.0	E2
Zawijava	. . . . $\beta$ Vir	● 3.6	E12
Zosma	. . . . $\delta$ Leo	● 2.6	E11
Zubenelgenubi	. . . . $\alpha$ Lib	● 2.6 *	E16
Zubeneschemali	. . . . $\beta$ Lib	● 2.6	E16

# Constellations

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Abbr.	Constellation	Genitive	Meaning	Chart	Neb.	St.
And	Andromeda	Andromedae	Chained Lady	N0 (N24)	6	16
Ant	Antlia	Antliae	Air Pump	E10	-	1
Aps	Apus	Apodis	Bird of Paradise	S24	-	4
Aqr	Aquarius	Aquarii	Water-bearer	E24	5	19
Aql	Aquila	Aquilae	Eagle	E21	-	15
Ara	Ara	Arae	Altar	S18	1	8
Ari	Aries	Arietis	Ram	E1	-	8
Aur	Auriga	Aurigae	Charioteer	N6	5	14
Boo	Bootes	Bootis	Herdsman	E15 (N14)	-	18
Cae	Caelum	Caeli	Chisel	S3	-	-
Cam	Camelopardalis	Camelopardalis	Giraffe	N2 (NP)	1	6
Cnc	Cancer	Cancri	Crab	E9	2	11
CVn	Canes Venatici	Canum Venaticorum	Hunting Dogs	N12	11	5
CMa	Canis Major	Canis Majoris	Big Dog	E6	4	18
CMi	Canis Minor	Canis Minoris	Little Dog	E9	-	3
Cap	Capricornus	Capricorni	Sea Goat	E22	1	12
Car	Carina	Carinae	Keel	S9 (S3)	7	20
Cas	Cassiopeia	Cassiopeiae	Queen in the Chair	N2	8	17
Cen	Centaurus	Centauri	Centaur	S15 (S12)	4	26
Cep	Cepheus	Cephei	Monarch	N22	3	13
Cet	Cetus	Ceti	Whale	E0	2	18
Cha	Chamaeleon	Chamaeleontis	Chameleon	S9	-	4
Cir	Circinus	Circini	Compasses	S15	-	4
Col	Columba	Columbae	Dove	E2 (S3)	1	6
Com	Coma Berenices	Comae Berenices	Berenice's Hair	E13	13	8
CrA	Corona Australis	Coronae Australis	Southern Crown	S21	1	7
CrB	Corona Borealis	Coronae Borealis	Northern Crown	E15	-	10
Crv	Corvus	Corvi	Crow	E12	1	5
Crt	Crater	Crateris	Cup	E12	-	4
Cru	Crux	Crucis	Southern Cross	S12	2	7
Cyg	Cygnus	Cygni	Swan	N20 (N18)	8	31
Del	Delphinus	Delphini	Dolphin	E21	-	5
Dor	Dorado	Doradus	Gold Fish	S3	2	3
Dra	Draco	Draconis	Dragon	N16	4	21
Equ	Equuleus	Equulei	Little Horse	E23	-	4
Eri	Eridanus	Eridani	River	E2 (S0)	2	27
For	Fornax	Fornacis	Furnace	E2	3	3
Gem	Gemini	Geminorum	Twins	E7	3	17
Gru	Grus	Gruis	Crane (bird)	S24	-	8
Her	Hercules	Herculis	Kneeler	N14 (E19)	3	23
Hor	Horologium	Horologii	Clock	S3 (S0)	-	2
Hya	Hydra	Hydrae	Water Snake	E10 (E12)	4	24
Hyi	Hydrus	Hydri	Little Water Snake	S0	-	3
Ind	Indus	Indi	Indian	S24	-	3
Lac	Lacerta	Lacertae	Lizard	N24	2	7
Leo	Leo	Leonis	Lion	E11	8	17
LMi	Leo Minor	Leonis Minoris	Little Lion	N8	-	2

Abbr.	Constellation	Genitive	Meaning	Chart	Neb.	St.
Lep	Lepus . . . . .	Leporis . . . . .	Hare . . . . .	E4 . . .	1	11
Lib	Libra . . . . .	Librae . . . . .	Balance (Scales)	E16 . . .	-	8
Lup	Lupus . . . . .	Lupi . . . . .	Wolf . . . . .	S18 . . .	2	15
Lyn	Lynx . . . . .	Lyncis . . . . .	Lynx . . . . .	N8 (N6)	1	8
Lyr	Lyra . . . . .	Lyrae . . . . .	Lyre . . . . .	N18 . . .	2	8
Men	Mensa . . . . .	Mensae . . . . .	Table Mountain	S9 . . .	-	-
Mic	Microscopium . . .	Microscopii . . .	Microscope . . .	E22 . . .	-	-
Mon	Monoceros . . . . .	Monocerotis . . . . .	Unicorn . . . . .	E8 (E9)	7	9
Mus	Musca . . . . .	Muscae . . . . .	Fly . . . . .	S12 . . .	-	6
Nor	Norma . . . . .	Normae . . . . .	Square, Rule . . .	S18 . . .	2	2
Oct	Octans . . . . .	Octantis . . . . .	Octant . . . . .	S24 . . .	-	3
Oph	Ophiuchus . . . . .	Ophiuchi . . . . .	Serpent-bearer	E17 . . .	11	21
Ori	Orion . . . . .	Orionis . . . . .	Hunter . . . . .	E5 (E4)	8	24
Pav	Pavo . . . . .	Pavonis . . . . .	Peacock . . . . .	S24 . . .	1	8
Peg	Pegasus . . . . .	Pegasi . . . . .	Winged Horse . . .	E23 . . .	2	16
Per	Perseus . . . . .	Persei . . . . .	Rescuer . . . . .	N4 . . . .	8	19
Phe	Phoenix . . . . .	Phoenicis . . . . .	Phoenix . . . . .	S0 . . . .	-	7
Pic	Pictor . . . . .	Pictoris . . . . .	Painter . . . . .	S3 . . . .	-	4
Psc	Pisces . . . . .	Piscium . . . . .	Fish (two) . . . .	E1 (E23)	1	19
PsA	Piscis Austrinus . . .	Piscis Austrini . . .	Southern Fish . . .	E22 . . .	-	6
Pup	Puppis . . . . .	Puppis . . . . .	Stern . . . . .	S6 (E6)	9	18
Pyx	Pyxis . . . . .	Pyxidis . . . . .	Compass . . . . .	E10 . . .	-	3
Ret	Reticulum . . . . .	Reticuli . . . . .	Reticle, Net . . . .	S3 . . . .	-	4
Sge	Sagitta . . . . .	Sagittae . . . . .	Arrow . . . . .	E21 . . .	1	5
Sgr	Sagittarius . . . . .	Sagittarii . . . . .	Archer . . . . .	E20 . . . .	18	16
Sco	Scorpius . . . . .	Scorpii . . . . .	Scorpion . . . . .	E18 (S21)	7	22
Scl	Sculptor . . . . .	Sculptoris . . . . .	Sculptor . . . . .	E0 . . . .	3	3
Sct	Scutum . . . . .	Scuti . . . . .	Shield . . . . .	E19 . . . .	3	3
Ser	Serpens (Caput) . . .	Serpentis (Caputis) . . .	Serpent (Head) . . .	E16 . . . .	1	8
	(Cauda) . . . . .	(Caudae) . . . . .	(Tail) . . . . .	E19 . . . .	2	4
Sex	Sextans . . . . .	Sextantis . . . . .	Sextant . . . . .	E10 . . . .	1	3
Tau	Taurus . . . . .	Tauri . . . . .	Bull . . . . .	E3 . . . .	4	24
Tel	Telescopium . . . .	Telescopii . . . . .	Telescope . . . . .	S21 . . . .	-	2
Tri	Triangulum . . . . .	Trianguli . . . . .	Triangle . . . . .	N0 . . . .	1	6
TrA	Triangulum Australis . . .	Trianguli Australis . . .	Southern Triangle	S24 . . .	-	5
Tuc	Tucana [trale] . . . . .	Tucanae . . . . .	Toucan . . . . .	S0 (S24)	3	3
UMa	Ursa Major . . . . .	Ursae Majoris . . . . .	Great Bear . . . . .	N10 (N8)	11	24
UMi	Ursa Minor . . . . .	Ursae Minoris . . . . .	Little Bear . . . . .	NP . . . .	-	8
Vel	Vela . . . . .	Velorum . . . . .	Sails . . . . .	S6 . . . .	4	16
Vir	Virgo . . . . .	Virginis . . . . .	Maiden . . . . .	E16 . . . .	17	13
Vol	Volans . . . . .	Volantis . . . . .	Flying Fish . . . .	S3 . . . .	-	6
Vul	Vulpecula . . . . .	Vulpeculae . . . . .	Fox . . . . .	E21 . . . .	2	3

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Chart: chart number(s) for the main part of the constellation.

Neb., St.: number of nebulae and stars in the catalog.

# Glossary

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Page numbers locate more detailed explanations.

- Abs., Absolute Magnitude** (p. 14): The V-magnitude of a star in a distance of 32.6 light years (= 10 parsec). The listed values refer to the maximum brightness for variable stars and to the combined brightness for binaries. The absolute magnitude of the Sun is 4.8.
- \* **Binary** (p. 15): A stellar object to the unaided eye but resolved into two (or more) stars in a telescope. The components are within five arc-minutes of each other. If both components appear close to each other but are physically well separated, both distances are listed in the catalog of stars, and the separation is rounded to full arc-seconds. The catalog contains 250 binaries with components brighter than magnitude 8.0.
- B–V Color Index** (p. 13 and Fig. p. 14): The difference in magnitudes between blue (B) and yellow-green (V) light. It describes the color of a star. Blue stars have a negative color index, yellow stars have a B–V of 1–2.
- Dec., Declination** (p. 5): Angular distance from the celestial equator, positive towards the north. Equinox: 2000.0.
- Dist., Distance** (Fig. p. 2 and Table p. 3): Distances to stars and nebulae are listed in light years (ly) or million light years (M ly). A light year is the distance the light travels within one year, which is 9.46 trillion kilometers, 5.88 trillion miles, or 2 100 times the distance Sun–Neptune. One parsec is 3.26 light years.
- Eclipse** (p. 16): The duration of the eclipse for eclipsing variable stars. It includes both decrease and increase of brightness. The time of minimum brightness is centered within this duration.
- Extrema** (p. 16): Maximum and minimum magnitudes of a variable star ever observed. These extreme values happen rarely.
- Max., Maximum, Min., Minimum** (p. 16): The time of maximum and minimum brightness of variable stars, given in the day numbering scheme of the Julian Date (see pp. 152, 153). “Min. = Max. + 10” means that the minimum occurs 10 days after the maximum.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> min.** (p. 16): The magnitude at secondary minimum for variable stars.
- Name** (p. 9 and pp. 156, 157): A historic name of a star with international spelling preferred. Names still in use today are printed in bold letters.
- Nebula** (pp. 17–19 and 154, 155): A non-stellar object, designated by a number (NGC-number), by an IC-number or a Messier-number (M). Clusters of stars are included in the term “nebula” in this catalog. Descriptions for the 250 selected nebulae refer to 12×50 mm binoculars and a telescope of 150 mm (6 inch) aperture under a good, dark sky.
- Period** (p. 16): The duration of periodicity for variable stars, listed in days (d).
- Position** (p. 7): The location in the star chart, indicated in a small rectangle. A dot marks the location in the main stars charts. A small circle marks the location in the enlarged sections. Preceeding this rectangle is the abbreviated constellation (see pp. 158, 159). Dashed lines in the star charts show the boundaries between constellations.
- PA, Position Angle** (p. 15): The direction on the celestial sphere between both components of a binary star, graphically shown with north at the top.

- R.A., Right Ascension** (p. 5): Longitude on the celestial sphere, measured from the first point of aries or vernal point towards the east, given in hours and minutes from 0 to 24 hours ( $1^{\text{h}} = 15^{\circ}$ ). Equinox: 2000.0.
- Sep., Separation** (p. 15, Fig. p. 5, and Table p. 10): The apparent angular separation in arc-seconds between the two components of a binary star.
- Shape** (Table p. 19): Classification of nebulae according to their appearance in a telescope. This entry is preceeded by an oval showing the elongation.
- Size** (Fig. p. 5 and Table p. 10): Apparent diameter of nebulae (along long axis), listed in arc-minutes.
- Sp., Spectral Type** (p. 13): Classification of stars based on their spectral lines into the types O, B, A, F, G, K, M, and C with decimals 0–9.
- Star** (p. 9): Most stars are designated by a number according to Flamsteed and/or a Greek letter according to Bayer in combination with the genitive of the constellation. Data on brightness and color of stars include all components within five arc-minutes separation. The catalog contains 900 stars, including all 556 stars down to magnitude 4.0.
- Star Charts** (pp. 6, 7, and 164, 165): The main star charts contain all 5 700 stars down to magnitude 6.0 at a scale of  $4^{\circ}/\text{cm}$  ( $10^{\circ}/\text{inch}$ ). The round magnified sections contain 30 000 out of the 200 000 stars down to magnitude 9.0 at a scale of  $1^{\circ}/\text{cm}$  ( $2.5^{\circ}/\text{inch}$ ).
- Te., Temperature** (pp. 13, 14): Surface temperature of a star shown with a symbol of a thermometer. Hot stars are bluish: ↓, cool stars are yellow: ↑. Binaries with different temperatures display an impressive color contrast.
- Type** (pp. 17–19): Classification of nebulae into PN: planetary nebulae, DN: diffuse nebulae or galactic nebulae, OC: open star clusters, GC: globular star clusters, and Glx: galaxies.
- Variable Star** (pp. 15, 16): A star that changes its brightness. The catalog contains 81 variable stars with an amplitude of at least a quarter magnitude and a maximum brightness of at least about magnitude 5.
- Vis., Visibility** (Tables pp. 10 and 12, bottom): A measure of visibility of nebulae and binaries unique to this book. Six levels according to six instruments are distinguished. Objects of the visibility ☒ are visible as a nebula or binary only in a telescope, but at visibility ☓ even with the unaided eye. Open eyes in the symbols ☒–☒ indicate a low surface brightness which requires very dark sky for successful observation.
- v-Mag., v-Magnitude** (pp. 11–13, Fig. p. 4, and Tables p. 12): Visual magnitude according to the spectral sensitivity of the night-adapted eye with indirect vision. This catalog lists v-magnitudes for the total magnitude (first entry) and surface brightness (second entry, mag./□') of nebulae. The surface brightness is the mean magnitude per square arc-minute.
- V-Mag., V-Magnitude** (p. 11, Fig. p. 4, and Table p. 12, top): The magnitude V in the UBV-system which closely corresponds to the spectral sensitivity of the eye with direct vision. This catalog lists V-magnitudes for stars. In most cases, the difference between v-magnitude and V-magnitude is insignificant. Variable stars have their typical magnitude range listed in the same column. A black dot preceding the entry of the V-magnitude shows the size of the stellar disk in the main star chart.

# Mean and Extreme Values

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Parameter	Type	Median		Extreme	Object	Chart
Distance	nebula	10 000 ly	gr.	2 500 M ly	Quasar 3 C 273	E14
galaxy		35 M ly	{ gr. sm.	80 M ly 170 000 ly	NGC 5746 Large Magellanic Cl.	E15 S3
globular cluster		28 000 ly	{ gr. sm.	85 000 ly 7000 ly	M 54, NGC 6715 M 4, NGC 6121	E20 E18
open cluster		3 000 ly	{ gr. sm.	12 000 ly 150 ly	NGC 2324 Hyades	E9 E3
diffuse nebula		5 000 ly	{ gr. sm.	170 000 ly 1 200 ly	Tarantula Nebula M 78, NGC 2068	S3 E5
planetary nebula		3 500 ly	{ gr. sm.	7 000 ly 500 ly	NGC 6818 Helix Nebula	E22 E24
star		240 ly	{ gr. sm.	6 000 ly 4.40 ly	$\varrho$ Cassiopeiae Toliman, $\alpha$ Centauri	N22 S15
True Size	nebula	45 ly	sm.	0.3 ly	NGC 7027	N20
galaxy		60 000 ly	gr.	200 000 ly	NGC 4565	E13
globular cluster		60 ly	gr.	150 ly	$\omega$ Centauri	S15
open cluster		18 ly	gr.	60 ly	$\mathrm{h}$ and $\chi$ Persei	N2
diffuse nebula		25 ly	gr.	1 200 ly	Tarantula Nebula	S3
planetary nebula		0.7 ly	gr.	3 ly	NGC 1360	E2
binary- separation }		2 light-days	{ gr. sm.	5 ly 40 light-min.	$\sigma$ Centauri Porrima, year 2006	S12 E12
star		7 million km	{ gr. sm.	2 light-hours 20 000 km	$\mu$ Cephei $\sigma^2$ Eridani companion	N22 E2
Apparent Size	nebula	10'	gr.	420' = 7°	Large Magellanic Cl.	S3
Brightness	nebula	mag. 8	gr.	mag. 0	Large Magellanic Cl.	S3
Luminosity	nebula	40 000 $\odot$	gr.	4 000 000 M $\odot$	Quasar 3 C 273	E14
galaxy		22 000 M $\odot$	gr.	120 000 M $\odot$	M 49, NGC 4472	E14
globular cluster		80 000 $\odot$	gr.	800 000 $\odot$	$\omega$ Centauri	S15
open cluster		3 500 $\odot$	gr.	140 000 $\odot$	$\mathrm{h}$ and $\chi$ Persei	N2
diffuse nebula		1 000 $\odot$	gr.	50 M $\odot$	Tarantula Nebula	S3
planetary nebula		180 $\odot$	gr.	1 600 $\odot$	NGC 6572	E19
star		0.2 $^M$ , 70 $\odot$	{ gr. sm.	100 000 $\odot$ 0.000 4 $\odot$	Deneb, $\alpha$ Cyg Barnard's Star	N20 13.2 E17
$\odot$ = solar luminosity						
Color B-V	white	0.4 ↓	{ gr. sm.	red 3.4 blue -0.26 ↓	R Leporis $\zeta$ Puppis	E4 S6
Color Contrast		0.4, 0.2 ↓↓	gr.	1.9, 0.0 ↓↓	Antares, $\alpha$ Scorpii	E18
Rotation	2005–2020	1°	gr.	202°	Porrima, $\gamma$ Virginis	E12
Separation–Change "		0.1"	gr.	6.5"	Toliman, $\alpha$ Centauri	S15
Proper Motion/Year		0.05"	gr.	10.4"	Barnard's Star	E17
Period	variable star	90 days	{ gr. sm.	27 years 2 min.	$\varepsilon$ Aurigae Suhail Al Muhlif	N6 S6
Amplitude	variable star	0.6	gr.	7 mag.	R Serpentis	mag. 6–13 E16

Listed are mean value (median) and greatest/smallest value within the catalog.