

## Colourful stars of Orion and Taurus

Compare orange-red Betelgeuse and Aldebaran (the red eye of the bull) with blue-white Rigel, Bellatrix, and the three jewels in Orion's belt!

## Pleiades

Beautiful star cluster, 6 blue stars (or 7?) by eye, looking like a tiny spoon, dozens with binoculars!

## Orion Nebula

Look carefully at the middle "star" in Orion's sword: Do you see that it's actually kind of fuzzy? It's not a star, but a giant stellar nursery, 10 light-years across, and 1500 light-years away! A real treat in binoculars or a small telescope!

## Sirius: brightest star in the sky!

Do you know why Sirius was once thought to be the cause of the "dog days of summer"?

## Jupiter

In binoculars look for up to four of the Galilean moons!

## Look to the South any February evening (with a view of horizon)!

Sirius, Orion the Hunter, Taurus the Bull, the Pleiades, and Jupiter will be easy to spot, even from suburban skies!

This sky map was made using the freeware program Stellarium. Use Stellarium to checkout the sky yourself!

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