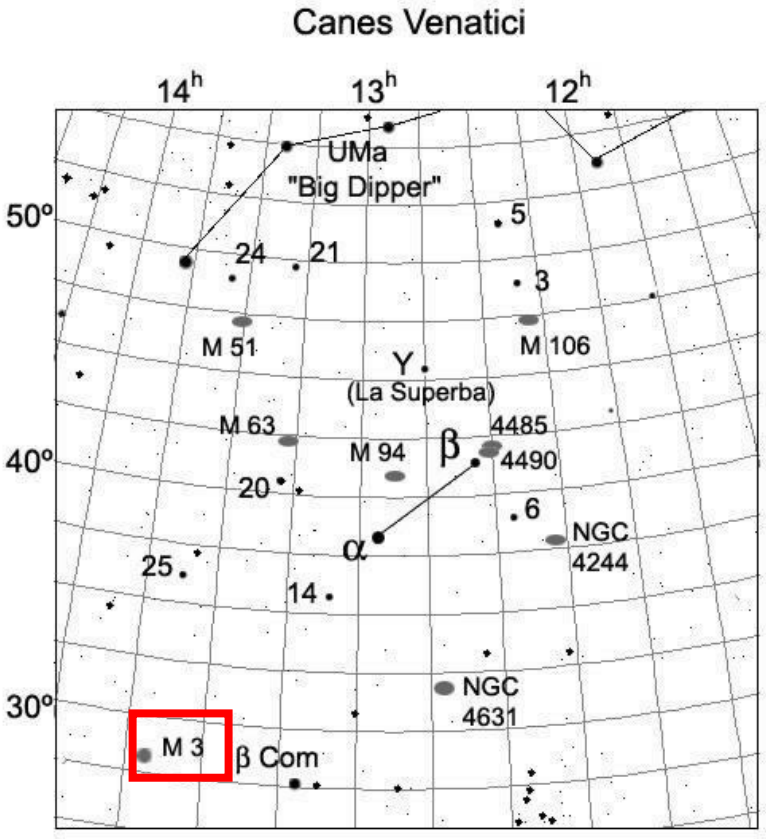
The Albuquerque Astronomical Society

May 2009 Deep Sky Object



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M3 **(NGC 5272) is a wonderful globular cluster found roughly halfway between Cor Caroli and Arcturus (in Bootes). Considered one of the finest globular clusters in the entire heavens, you'll need a large scope to resolve its individual stars. The cluster is about 45,000 light years away.**

Right Ascension 13 : 42.2 (h:m) **Declination +28 : 23 (deg:m)**
Distance 33.9 (kly) **Visual Brightness 6.2 (mag)**
Apparent Dimension 18.0 (arc min)