



October 2009 Challenge Object
NGC 404 *The Ghost of Mirach*

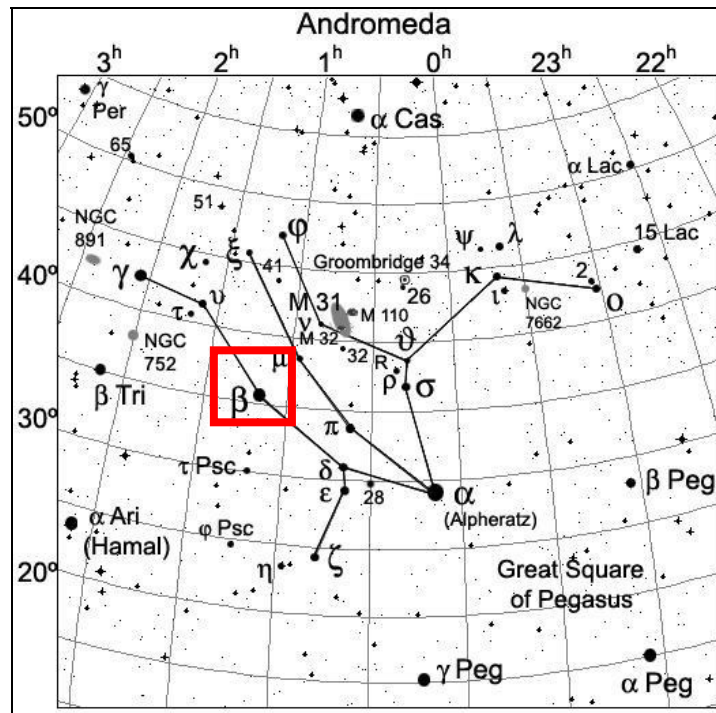


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Discovered by William Herschel in 1784

So close to beta Andromedae (Mirach) it can be difficult to observe through the glare of the star.

A lenticular galaxy at a distance of 10 million light years.

Should be visible in medium-sized telescopes but you need medium to high magnification to get Mirach out of the field of view.

RA: 01h 09.454m Dec: +35° 43.13' Mag: +11.2 (B) Size: 3.4' x 3.4'