

MONTH TO OBSERVE (7:30PM CST)	MESSIER NUMBER	CONSTELLATION	MAGNITUDE (brightness)	OBJECT TYPE
Feb-Apr	35	Gemini	5.1	Open Cluster
Feb-Apr	41	Canis Major	4.5	Open Cluster
Feb-Apr	46	Puppis	6.1	Open Cluster
Feb-Apr	47	Puppis	4.4	Open Cluster
Feb-Apr	48	Hydra	5.8	Open Cluster
Feb-Apr	50	Monoceros	5.9	Open Cluster
Feb-Apr	93	Puppis	6.2	Open Cluster
Mar-May	44	Cancer	3.1	Open Cluster
Mar-May	67	Cancer	6.9	Open Cluster
Mar-May	81	Ursa Major	6.8	Galaxy
Mar-May	82	Ursa Major	8.4	Galaxy
May-July	3	Canes Venatici	6.4	Globular Cluster
May-July	40	Ursa Major	8	Double Star
May-July	53	Coma Berenices	7.7	Globular Cluster
May-July	94	Canes Venatici	8.1	Galaxy
June-Aug	5	Serpens	5.8	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	4	Scorpio	5.9	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	6	Scorpio	4.2	Open Cluster
July-Sept	7	Scorpio	3.3	Open Cluster
July-Sept	10	Ophiuchus	6.6	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	12	Ophiuchus	6.6	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	13	Hercules	5.9	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	14	Ophiuchus	7.6	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	19	Ophiuchus	7.2	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	23	Sagittarius	5.5	Open Cluster
July-Sept	62	Ophiuchus	6.6	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	80	Scorpio	7.2	Globular Cluster
July-Sept	92	Hercules	6.5	Globular Cluster
Aug-Sept	8	Sagittarius	5.8	Nebula
Aug-Sept	11	Scutum	5.8	Open Cluster
Aug-Sept	16	Serpens	6	Nebula
Aug-Sept	17	Sagittarius	7	Nebula
Aug-Sept	18	Sagittarius	6.9	Open Cluster
Aug-Sept	22	Sagittarius	5.1	Globular Cluster
Aug-Sept	24	Sagittarius	4.5	Open Cluster
Aug-Sept	25	Sagittarius	4.6	Open Cluster
Aug-Sept	26	Sagittarius	8	Open Cluster
Aug-Sept	28	Sagittarius	6.9	Globular Cluster
Aug-Sept	55	Sagittarius	7	Globular Cluster
Aug-Sept	71	Sagitta	8.3	Globular Cluster
Sept-Nov	2	Aquarius	6.5	Globular Cluster
Sept-Nov	15	Pegasus	6.4	Globular Cluster
Sept-Nov	27	Vulpecula	8.1	Nebula
Sept-Nov	29	Cygnus	6.6	Open Cluster
Sept-Nov	30	Capricorn	7.5	Globular Cluster
Sept-Nov	39	Cygnus	4.6	Open Cluster
Sept-Jan	52	Cassiopeia	6.9	Open Cluster
Nov-Jan	31	Andromeda	3.4	Galaxy

Nov-Jan	32	Andromeda	8.2	Galaxy
Nov-Jan	103	Cassiopeia	7.4	Open Cluster
Dec-Feb	34	Perseus	5.2	Open Cluster
Dec-Feb	45	Taurus	1.2	Open Cluster
Jan-Mar	36	Auriga	6	Open Cluster
Jan-Mar	37	Auriga	5.6	Open Cluster
Jan-Mar	38	Auriga	6.4	Open Cluster
Jan-Mar	42	Orion	4	Nebula
Jan-Mar	78	Orion	8	Nebula
Jan-Mar	79	Lepus	8	Globular Cluster

Legend

This is a partial list of Messier's Deep Sky objects. These are the brightest ones. A full list of objects can be found online.

Colors:

Spring
Summer
Fall
Winter

This will help you find objects visible in each season. This assumes you are outside around 7:30pm CST. This can be misleading, because as the earth turns on its axis, we are able to see objects rise in the east and set in the west. So if you stay outside late enough, some objects on this list will become visible even though they are classified as visible later in the year. Meaning if you stay outside at night long enough, you may be able to see most of the objects on this list!

Messier Number

This is the object's Messier Catalog number. If you want to discuss this object with others, this is the name you should mention, since it is how the object is most commonly known.

Constellation

The constellation where the object can be found. This is useful to know when you are trying to locate the object in the sky.

Magnitude

The brightness of the object. The lower the number, the brighter the object is.

Object Type

[Globular Clusters](#)
[Open Clusters](#)
[Galaxy](#)
[Nebula](#)
[Double Star](#)