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Eagle Nebula

Quick Facts:

Distance: 7000 Light-years. Size: 15 Light-years.
Constellation: Serpens.
Famous for the "Pillars of Creation" image from the Hubble Space Telescope, this is another emission nebula and place of star birth where hot blue stars are driving away the gas of their formation.
Messier 16.
Find it: Sweep just over 10 degrees due north of Kaus Borealis (Teapot lid top star) to find a small asterism of five stars. Go west 3 degrees over the border to Serpens to find the Eagle. GOTO: M (MESSIER).

Image: ESO. Quick reference card by Derek Wallentinsen.