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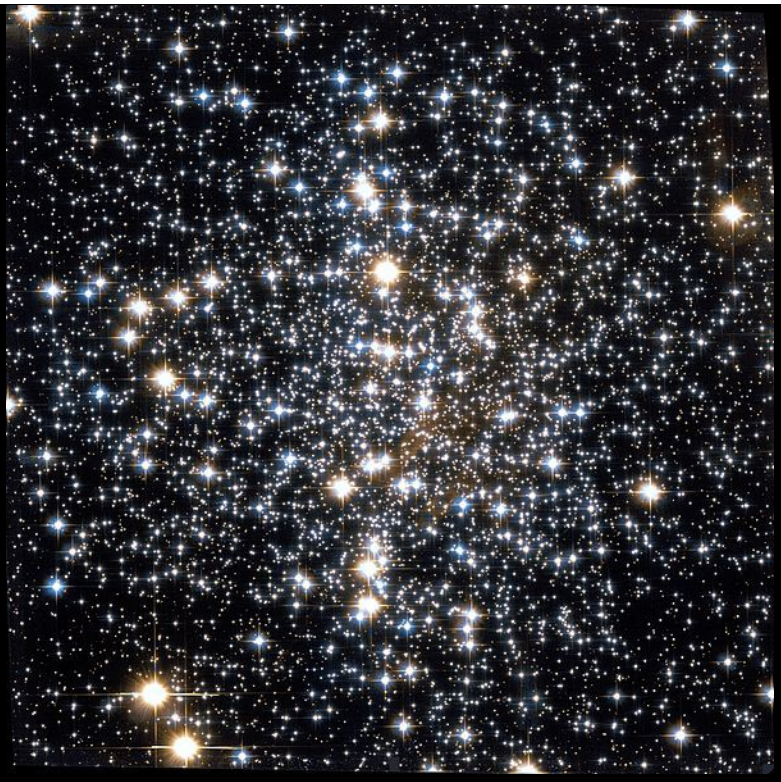

Quick Facts:

Distance: 7,200 Light-years.

Size: Approx 75 Light-years.

Constellation: Scorpius.

This bright, big cluster is in the same wide-field eyepiece view as Antares in smaller scopes. Purportedly the first resolved globular cluster (1700s). Find it: Look just 1-1/3 degrees due west of Antares. GOTO: M (Messier).

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