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Messier 52

Quick Facts:

Distance: 4600 Light-years.

Size: Approx 20 Light-years.

Constellation: Cassiopeia.

One of numerous galactic clusters near the W of Cassiopeia. Its about 200 million years old with about 200 members and a mass 1200x that of the sun.

Find it: Extend the line connecting W stars Schedar and Caph by its own length NW. GOTO: M (Messier).

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