Pinwheel Galaxy

Quick Facts:

Distance: 68 Million Light-years.

Size: 170,000 Light-years.

Constellation: Ursa Major.

A face-on spiral in the Big Bear on the opposite side of Alkaid from the Whirlpool Galaxy. Find it: Sweep 5 degrees NW of the end of the Dipper's handle to find it. Messier 101. GOTO: M (Messier).

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