

Telescope Observing Highlights

GTA region Full Sky Chart for 9 pm on
February 8, 2014

Adapted from www.heavens-above.com

Suggested viewing magnifications in
brackets (any, low, med, high)

1. **Moon** (any)
2. **Jupiter** and four Galilean Moons (med to high)
3. **M42**, The Great Orion Nebula (medium) and the embedded Trapezium Star Cluster (high)
4. The **Double Cluster** in Perseus (low)
5. **M45**, The Pleiades star cluster in Taurus (low)
6. **Aldebaran**, orange-red giant star in Taurus (any)
7. **Betelgeuse**, red supergiant star in Orion (any)
8. **Rigel**, Blue giant star in Orion (any), with tiny binary companion (high)
9. **Polaris**, the North Star, binary star system (med to high)
10. **Sirius**, or alpha Canis Major, the brightest star after our Sun (any)
11. **M31**, Great Andromeda Galaxy (low)
12. **Owl/ET/Dragon Cluster** in Cassiopeia (low to med)
13. **Mizar and Alcor**, bright Double Star system in the Big Dipper's handle (low to med)
14. **Almaak**, or gamma Andromeda, beautiful coloured double star pair (med to high)
15. **M44**, Praesepe, The Beehive, large open star cluster in Cancer (low)

