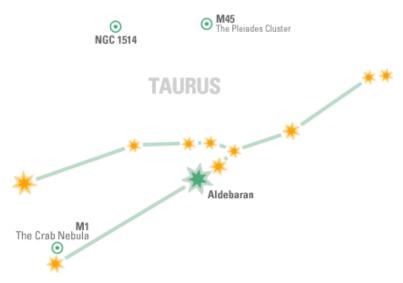
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Marking the shoulder of The Bull, **M45 The Pleiades** is perhaps the most beautiful binocular target in the night sky. A telescope with low magnification will bring out a chain of stars running through the middle like a row of pearls.

M1 The Crab Nebula is what remains of a very bright supernova seen from Earth in 1054. It shone so brightly (about four times brighter than Venus) that it was quite visible during daylight hours.

NGC 1514 a nice planetary nebula with a dim outer shell and a bright inner shell; the inner shell has a blobbed appearance.

Aldebaran is the brightest star in Taurus and distinctly orange-hued. The <u>giant star</u> is in the late stage of its lifecycle: having burnt off its hydrogen, it's currently fusing helium into carbon.