



NGC 691

Galaxy NGC 691 boasts many winding arms filled with glittering stars and dark wisps of dust. It is a spiral galaxy with an impressive 130,000 light-year diameter. This image shows a spattering of older, red stars interspersed with younger and hotter blue stars.

NGC 691 is a member of galaxy group NGC 691, which contains nine galaxies bound together by mutual gravitational attraction and spread over a large area. The NGC 691 galaxy group is located about 120 million light-years from Earth in the constellation Aries. It is situated close to the celestial equator, and is partly visible from both the Northern and Southern Hemispheres, depending on the time of year.

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