M13 Globular Cluster



Jacobus Kapteyn Telescope + CCD Camera



The globular cluster M13, also called the 'Great Globular Cluster in Hercules', is one of the most prominent and best known globular star clusters of the Northern celestial hemisphere. It was selected in 1974 as target for one of the first radio messages addressed to possible extra-terrestrial intelligent races, and sent by the big radio telescope of the Arecibo Observatory. This "true-colour" CCD image was taken using the Jacobus Kapteyn telescope and a CCD detector.

Credit: Simon Tulloch (ING).