

# WHILE VISITING MAINE FOR THE ECLIPSE

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## TIPS FOR A SAFE, FUN EXPERIENCE...

- Be sure to use solar eclipse glasses for viewing!
- Many communities have developed viewing areas as “Star Parks” where you can watch the eclipse.
- These designated “Star Parks” will provide amenities like food, toilets and in some cases entertainment while you wait.
- The eclipse begins at about 2pm and will last for approximately 2.5 hours, with the total eclipse at approximately 3:20pm for 3 minutes of total darkness.
- Be sure to drive on paved roads and stay off trails and private property. Groomed snowmobile and ATV trails are not appropriate for larger vehicles.
- Stay off lakes as ice may be unstable in April.

## PLAN AHEAD!

- Early arrival is recommended to avoid potential traffic snarls.
- Booking nearby for the weekend will help minimize travel.
- Staying overnight on Monday may be the best way to avoid traffic following the eclipse.
- In some locations you may need to pack and bring your own food and water.
- Advance lodging plans are highly recommended.
- Maine State Parks are closed in April for camping and hiking.
- Baxter State Park will be closed to camping, and Katahdin trails will be closed due to the protection of alpine vegetation and seasonal weather safety considerations.
- Bring appropriate clothing for variable weather conditions. It can be very cold in Maine in April, and there may still be snow on the ground in some places.

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