



Great American Eclipse

April 8, 2024



What to Expect

- Increased visitors
- Increased traffic
- Hotels at maximum capacity
- Decreased quality of cell service
- Delays in deliveries and supplies

Plan Ahead

- Schedule appointments 2-3 days before the eclipse
- Fill up gas tanks
- Stock up on groceries
- Have several forms of communication

Get Involved

- Volunteer at a venue with eclipse events

Stay Safe

- Always wear ISO-12312-2 approved eclipse glasses when looking at the sun
- Bring sunscreen
- Observe the eclipse away from busy roads

Be prepared

- Bring snacks and drinks in case you get stuck in traffic
- “Go” before you go

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Plan Ahead

- Fill up gas tanks early
- Cell phone service may be affected, so have several forms of communication
- Check the weather
- Know that traffic will be slow-moving and very congested. Be patient!
- Bring a printed copy of your travel plans in case there is no cell reception
- Instead of leaving on Monday when everyone else is trying to get out, consider leaving on Tuesday

What to Pack

- ISO-approved Eclipse viewing glasses
- Plenty of drinking water
- First Aid kit and medications
- Sunscreen
- Snacks
- A hard copy of maps and directions
- Comfortable folding chairs
- Clothing
- Cash
- Insect repellent
- Urine receptacle for the car

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Pet Safety

- Bring extra food and water
- Keep pets secure
 - Make sure your pets are always safe in a secure yard or on a leash
- ID your pets
 - Have proper fitting collars with current licenses or ID tags
 - Update microchip information
- Eclipse glasses for your pets
- For lost and found pets, contact the Hamilton County Humane Society at 317-773-4974

Child Safety

- Kids can be notorious for taking off glasses. Keep an eye on the little ones to make sure their eyes are covered with ISO-12312-2 approved glasses.
- Have a practice session. Practice keeping the glasses on
- We all know kids can wander, and they're fast! While you're watching the Eclipse, have little ones safely in a stroller or keep ahold of their hand
- Have kids memorize Mom or Dad's name and cell phone number

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HCEM App

Communications

Cell phone service may be affected. so have several forms of communication

- Know where the nearest landline is located
- Instead of phones, use Channel 1 on walkie-talkies to communicate with your group
- GMRS and Amateur Radio communications may be good options
- Monitor AM broadcast frequency of 1650 kHz in the event that an emergency message is released
- A hand-crank weather radio can receive messages about weather, emergencies, and much more
- 911 is for emergencies. Hamilton County has a number for non-emergent calls: 317-773-1282
- Download the Hamilton County Emergency Management app for up-to-date information about emergencies

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