

Dark Sky Star Party

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Title	Dark Sky Star Party
When	Saturday, August 15, 2026, 2:00pm - Sunday, August 16, 2026, 9:00am
Category	Star Party

Description

Dark sky star party at Mt. Pinos, weather permitting. Free and open to the public. There will be other clubs from the area also present. Do not arrive after dark. Many astronomers there are doing astrophotography!

If coming for only part of a night to observe, and you plan on leaving during the night, please park your car on the perimeter with your headlights facing the road out. When you leave use your parking lights, and after exiting the parking lot, turn on your headlights. Do not point your lights into the parking lot where people are observing and/or doing photography.

Bring your own food/snacks and enough to drink. Dress appropriately for the weather. Be aware of the altitude - 8300 ft at the parking lot. Remember there are no bathroom facilities at the parking lot. Bring your own toilet paper! The nearest restrooms (pit toilets) are a ¼ mile walk in the Chula Vista Campground. Cell phone reception can be absent or sketchy.

To get there: From the Antelope Valley, you need to get to the I-5. From I-5, get off at Frazier Mountain Park Rd and drive west about 7 miles to Mike's Pizza/ Market Deli (on your left) at Lockwood Valley Rd. Keep on the main roadway (**don't** turn left to go to Chuchupate). Go past Mike's Pizza, and continue straight on Cuddy Valley Rd about 5 miles. Continue straight (do not turn right on to Mil Potrero Hwy) for another 8 1/2 miles to the parking area. Note: The entire drive from the I-5 is uphill.

Check the weather before leaving: <https://www.nordicbase.org/weather>

Location: Mt. Pinos, Nordic Base Parking area