Total Solar Eclipse Ride Monday, April 8, 2024



A total solar eclipse is when the moon completely blocks our view of the Sun, revealing the Sun's outer atmosphere—the corona. The amount of time the moon covers the Sun is called totality.

Bob Komjathy has organized a non-MSTR riding event for riders to combine some great back road riding with an opportunity to see a total solar eclipse. Depending on how much time you have to spend you can select one of two options.

Start at Brighton Meijer gas station and ride back roads to Wapakoneta, OH Lunch stop at Lulu's Diner,802 Gardenia Dr, Wapakoneta

- Optional lunch at Happy Daz,1007 Lincoln Hwy, Wapakoneta
- Option 1 viewing is at Veteran's Park, 700 S Rauthland Ave, Wapakoneta
- 3 minute 56 second totality. Totality starts at 3:09pm
- Partial starts at 1:54pm, partial ends at 4:25pm
- Note: Wapakoneta is almost exactly centered on the total solar eclipse path so totality is close to the longest amount of time possible

After lunch in Wapakoneta you can reverse the route and ride home or ride on to the Quality Inn in Fairborn, OH. Current room rate is \$115/night+tx. There is no room block in place. Option 2 viewing is at Fairfield Park, across the road from the Quality Inn

- 2 minute 43 second totality. Totality starts at 3:09pm
- Partial starts at 1:53pm, partial ends at 4:25pm

If you don't have time for either option you could go to Luna Pier, Michigan. Totality is 34 seconds...just enough time for a couple of oohs & aahs. The next total solar eclipse passing through Michigan is on September 14, 2099, so if you miss this one you'll have to wait more than 75 years for the next one.

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WARNING. You MUST provide your own solar eclipse viewing glasses