



## McDonald Observatory Visitors Center

Hours: 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM daily, also Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday evenings.

**Ticket availability for ALL programs is limited. Reservations are required to ensure participation. Visit [www.mcdonaldobservatory.org](http://www.mcdonaldobservatory.org) to purchase passes.**

**Daytime Activity Pass ➡ Exhibit Hall, Solar Viewing, & Guided Tour**

Includes the Visitors Center exhibit hall, introductory video, live Solar Viewing program, and a Guided Tour of the Harlan J. Smith & Hobby-Eberly research telescopes. Solar (Sun) Viewing passes may be purchased separately from the tour if available.

**Star Party Pass ➡ Telescope Viewing, Constellation Tour & Indoor Astronomy Programs**

Enjoy a tour of the constellations and view the moon, seasonal planets, and deep sky objects through our public telescopes at the Visitors Center. An alternate indoor program will be conducted in the event of inclement weather.

**Twilight Program ➡ Interactive activity-based program**

Starts 1.5 hours prior to the Star Party. Activities take place in our multimedia theater, classroom and/or outdoor amphitheater. Great for all ages and lasts approximately 1 hour. Content and start-time varies, so call or check our website for details. Admission fee is separate from the Star Party.

Public Programs	Schedule	Adult	Child (Ages 6-12)
Daytime Pass (Solar Viewing & Guided Tour)	11:00 AM or 2:00 PM daily  “Solar Viewing only” option also available	<b>\$9</b>	\$8
		\$8 Military/ Senior/UT	
★ Star Party Pass (Tues, Fri, Sat)	January 7:00pm February - End of Standard Time 7:30pm Beginning of Daylight Savings - March 8:45pm April 9:15pm May 9:30pm June-July 9:45pm August 9:30pm September 8:45pm October - End of Daylight Savings 8:15pm Beginning of Standard Time - Dec 7:00pm	<b>\$15</b>	\$11
		\$13 Military/ Senior/UT	
Twilight Program	Program starts 1.5 hrs. before the Star Party. Start times vary each month.	<b>\$6</b>	\$6

Prices subject to change without notice

*Free, limited self-guided tours are also available 10am-5pm. Check-in at the Visitors Center when you arrive.*

For more information about all of our programs, including Special Viewing Nights, Student Field Experiences, Teacher Workshops and more, call the Visitors Center at 432-426-3640 or visit our website at: [www.mcdonaldobservatory.org](http://www.mcdonaldobservatory.org)