



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

State Park News

Conservation and Recreation



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Experience the eclipse at an Iowa state park.

This Monday, Iowans will have an exceptional opportunity. Nearly all of Iowa, weather permitting, will experience 90 percent or more of the 2017 eclipse. A small area in [extreme southwest Iowa will experience the TOTAL eclipse](#).

If you haven't decided yet where to catch the event, consider the beautiful unobstructed areas of [Iowa's state parks](#) -- ideal settings for this natural phenomenon. Go for the day or better yet, extend your weekend.

Most parks have [camping spots](#) open Sunday night, and the following parks have cabins available Friday **thru Sunday**. Reservations must be made through the individual park's office for a two-night minimum stay.

- [Lacey-Keosauqua](#) 319-293-3502
- [Lake Darling](#) 319-694-2323
- [Lake Wapello](#) 641-722-3371
- [Union Grove](#) 641-473-2556

What else is coming up in state parks?

Whether a participant or spectator, [the Rinehart R100](#) is considered "the best archery shoot in the world," and worth the trip to [Volga River State Recreation Area](#). For three days, Aug 18-20, close to 1,000 archers are expected to challenge themselves on a total of 100 different

life-sized 3D targets.

[Practice a little yoga on the beach](#) at Okoboji and Spirit lakes, Fridays mornings thru Sept 1. Three locations available.

[Take a night hike](#) at [Prairie Rose State Park](#), Thursday, Aug 24 at 7 PM.

