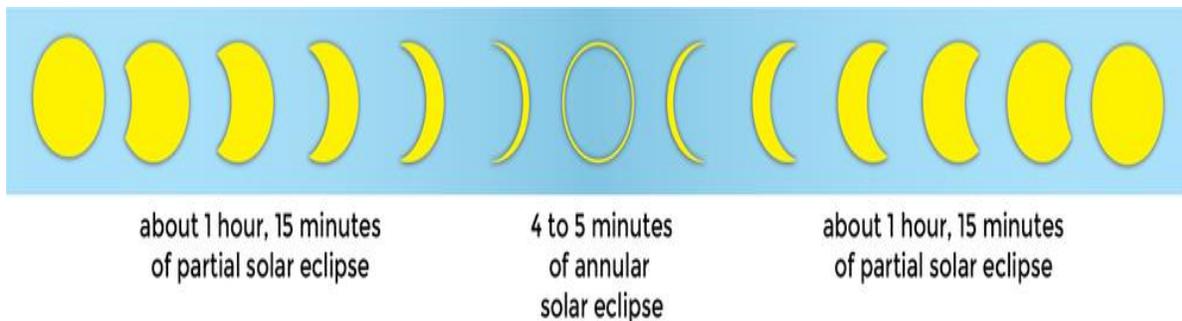


Royale Coach Rally – Fall 2023

October 10 to October 18, 2023

Annular solar eclipse of October 14, 2023

Eleven years after an annular solar eclipse crossed the western United States on **May 20, 2012**, another annular eclipse will race across the USA from Oregon to Texas on Saturday, October 14, 2023. The path of the annular solar eclipse next visits Central America and South America, and ends shortly after at sunset in the Atlantic Ocean. In the USA, the annular solar eclipse begins in Oregon at 9:13 a.m. PDT and ends in Texas at 12:03 p.m. CDT.

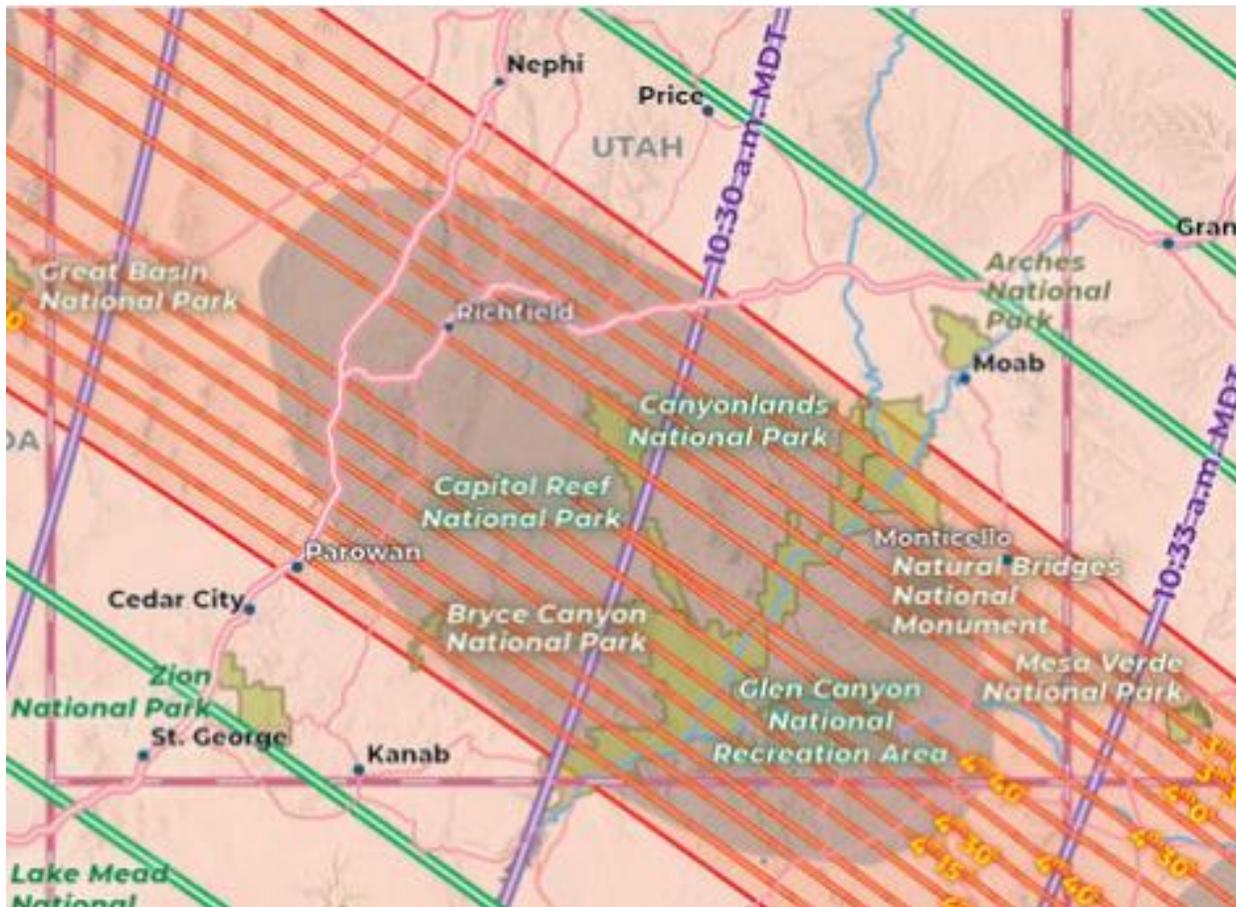


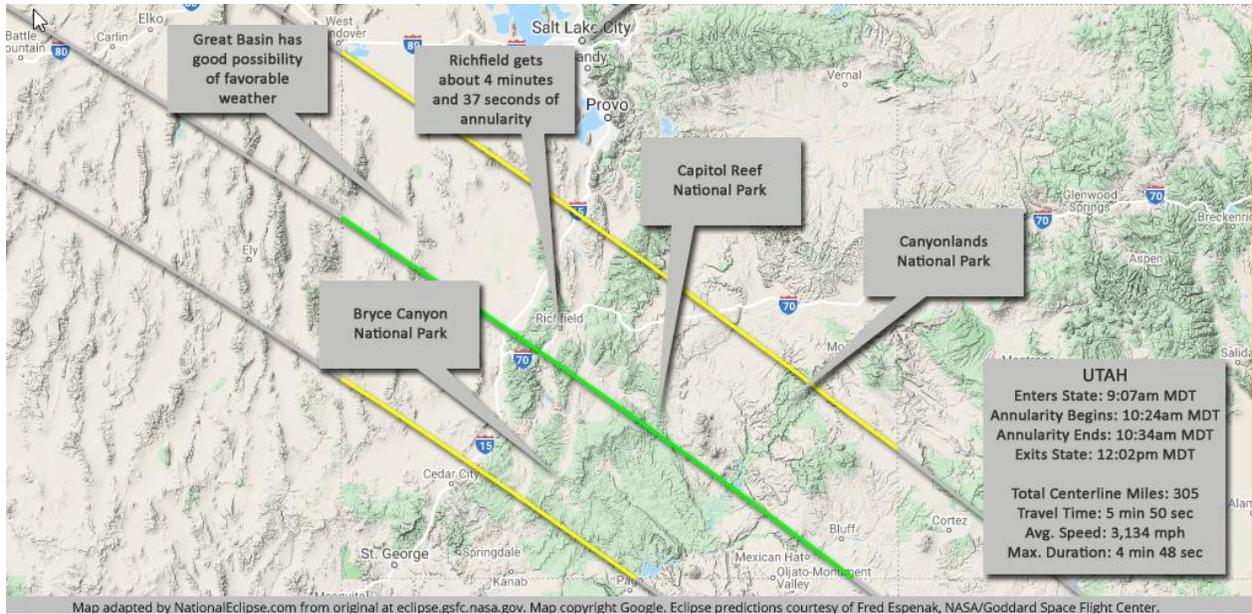
During an annular solar eclipse, the apparent size of the Moon's disk is slightly smaller than the apparent size of the Sun's disk. Therefore only the outer edge of the Sun remains visible and **the Sun appears as a brilliant ring if you are inside the path of annular solar eclipse**. This is an otherworldly sight often called a "ring of fire", but you must use **eclipse glasses, solar filters, or other safe viewing method during all stages of eclipse**.

This eclipse will be an appetizer for the spectacle of a total solar eclipse crossing the United States just 177 days later on **April 8, 2024**. While not as dramatic as a total solar eclipse, an annular solar eclipse promises a spectacular vision featuring the striking sight of the Sun as a ring. We recommend **solar binoculars** for

viewing the dynamic **Baily's Beads**, sparkling points of brilliant sunlight as the Moon's limb rolls over the Sun's edge.

The club has selected southern Utah as the site to view the eclipse. Our fall rally is scheduled around the event and we plan to be in the area of Bryce Canyon National Park to view the event on October 14. The image below shows the path of the eclipse through that part of Utah.





The proposed itinerary for the rally is as follows:

Tuesday - October 10 – arrive at campground in Virgin Utah – local catered dinner and opening night cocktails

Wednesday – October 11 & Thursday October 12 – visit Zion National Park and Kanab Utah – self guided car trips

Friday – October 13 – travel to campground near Bryce Canyon National Park – dinner at Ebenezer’s Bar & Grill

Saturday – October 14 – view eclipse (the eclipse will occur between 9:00 AM and Noon) – visit Bryce Canyon in the afternoon

Ebenezer Bryce (November 17, 1830 – September 26, 1913) was a Mormon pioneer, best known as the person for whom Bryce Canyon National Park was named.

Sunday – October 15 – Travel to Moab UT – evening Moab Jet Boat Dinner & Light Show

Monday – October 16 – tour Arches Park

Tuesday – October 17 – tour Canyon Lands – evening Farewell dinner

Wednesday – October 18 - departure