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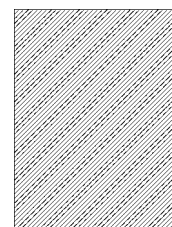
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'Ring of Fire' Solar Eclipse

Rise and shine on October 14 as the moon's shadow crosses the Western U.S. from Oregon to Texas in an annular solar eclipse. Luckily for New Mexicans, the eclipse path's centerline passes directly over the state, including Albuquerque. Beginning at 10:34 a.m. MDT, you can enjoy 4 minutes and 50 seconds of annularity—the spectacular sight of a solar “ring of fire” around the moon. Differing from a total eclipse, an annular alignment finds the moon at its farthest point from Earth, not entirely blocking the sun. Beat a cosmic path to one of these stellar eclipse-watching locales. » ELI ELLISON



Do not look at the eclipse with the naked eye. Use a pair of solar-viewing glasses.



1 The Roswell Astronomy Club is setting up solar telescopes at Cielo Grande Recreation Area in Roswell for a public viewing event. *Free.*



2 At Chaco Culture National Historical Park, experience annularity among the ancient remains of the Chacoan Great Houses, famed for their astronomical orientations. *\$25 per vehicle.*



3 At the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta (October 7–15), the eclipse will share the sky with hundreds of colorful hot air balloons. The fiesta-adjacent Balloon Museum is hosting scientists from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, who will offer eclipse workshops and presentations. *Admission: fiesta, \$15; museum, \$6.*

