

BINOCULAR STAR-GAZING

View the heavens from Saguaro National Park

Join us at local National Parks or other dark sky sites for a night of stargazing with binoculars. A good pair of binoculars (provided) and your eyes are all that you need to explore the night sky. Our staff will teach you how to use binoculars and give you a tour of the evening sky. View planets, galaxies, star clusters, nebulae and more. Learn how to navigate the night sky by using star charts. You will be amazed at what you can see. Fees: \$39 for adults, \$35 for ages 8 to 13. Go to www.noao.edu/kpvc/ for details.



The Summit of Kitt Peak is at 6,875 feet. Mountaintop environments may be windy and/or extremely cold, so please dress warmly even in the spring and summer. We recommend that you dress in layers (hats, gloves, blankets, etc.). Winter temperatures can get as low as the teens. Kitt Peak temperatures are 15 to 20 degrees cooler than Tucson at all times. The telescope domes are not heated.

Due to the popularity of our world renowned programs, we recommend that you make your reservation one month in advance.

All night time programs are shut down from July 15-August 31 due to summer rains.

Refunds or discounts due to inclement weather are NOT available. You have 24 hours to cancel your RSVP and not be charged the deposit fee. If we must cancel in advance, you are charged no fees.

For reservations or information on any of our programs visit www.noao.edu/kpvc/ or call 520-318-8726

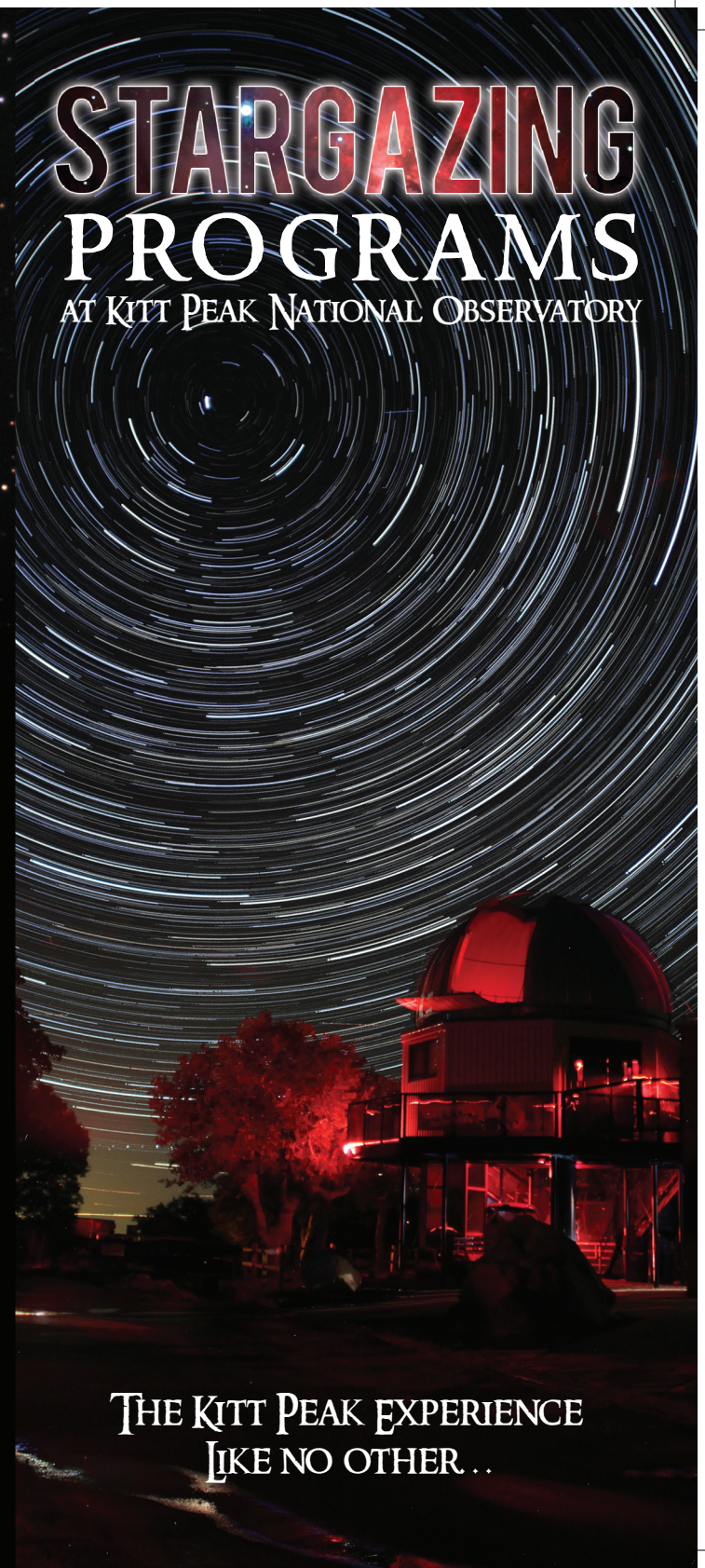
Reservations by phone are only taken from 9:30-3:30pm, but you may make your online reservations 24 hours/day

(Rates are subject to change without notice)



STARGAZING PROGRAMS

AT KITT PEAK NATIONAL OBSERVATORY



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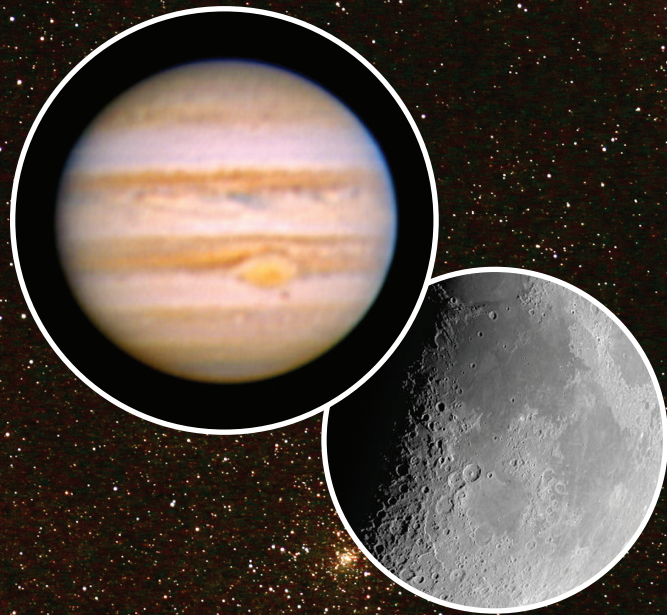
NIGHTLY OBSERVING PROGRAM

Your introductory, family-oriented stargazing program

Enjoy an evening of astronomical wonder under the celebrated dark skies of the desert southwest. This four-hour program is an introduction and sampler for beginning stargazers, ages 8 and older.

The evening begins with a light supper, followed by a dramatic sunset viewing. Then, our guides help you use star charts to locate constellations and take a binocular tour of the night sky. Lastly, you use the Visitor Center's research-class telescopes to visually observe a variety of astronomical objects, while also learning their importance. Cost: \$49.95 per person if reserved online, \$55 if you reserve by phone. Discounts: \$46.95 (if reserved online) or \$52 (if reserved by phone) for students (elementary through college), active duty military, and seniors (aged 62+). Go to www.noao.edu/kpvc/ to see available dates and make your reservation.

Dinner includes your choice of turkey or vegetarian sandwich plus snacks. The program is held regardless of cloudy or clear weather. If cloudy, dinner is provided followed by a series of unique presentations, activities, and behind the scene telescope tours. Program is cancelled if dangerous weather is forecasted.



DARK SKY DISCOVERY PROGRAM

Your small-group observing program for people who have already begun their astronomy adventure

For guests already familiar with the night sky and who have some knowledge of astronomy, this observing program features a small audience size and is offered on nights with relatively little moonlight for intensive telescope viewing primarily of deep sky objects. The smaller group size (eight or fewer) enables you to have extensive interaction with your guide, participate in more in-depth conversations, and receive more views through the telescope eyepiece. A group orientation and light supper in the Visitor Center begins the evening and is followed by sunset viewing. The rest of the program primarily focuses on telescope viewing.

Recommended for ages 14 and older. Cost: \$74.95 per person if you reserve online, \$80 if you reserve by phone. No discounts. Go to www.noao.edu/kpvc/ to see available dates and make your reservation. Dinner includes your choice of turkey or vegetarian sandwich plus snacks. Program is subject to cancellation due to clouds. Telescope dome is not accessible to wheelchairs.



OVERNIGHT TELESCOPE OBSERVING PROGRAM

Your exclusive, customized private astronomy program

This is a private, overnight telescope observing program at the National Observatory. Following the Nightly Observing Program, you and your guests have exclusive use of one of the Visitor Center's research-grade telescopes. This personalized program is driven by your interests and goals. You can choose to spend all your time observing through the telescope, or you can take images using a Webcam, DSLR, or a CCD. Guests for this premium program have included night sky novices as well as advanced amateur astronomers from around the world.

Your guide will help you customize your tour of the cosmos which can run right up to sunrise, if you wish. The program makes a great couples getaway or family learning expedition. Three full meals are included and guests rest in their assigned dormitory rooms on the mountain. You must contact us at least 30 days in advance of desired date.

Fees for you and up to one guest: \$650 for visual observing, \$700 for Webcam or DSLR imaging, \$785 for CCD imaging, plus current astronomer room and board charges. You may add to your group at \$100 per person program fee plus room and board fees. Go to www.noao.edu/kpvc/ to begin planning your observing adventure.