

Notes on places to stay south of the eclipse path as of 11/14/2016

Tennessee on the south/west side of path of totality has a number of cities not too far out :

Paris, Tennessee has Paris Landing State Park (see State Parks Near totality), as well as a few small motels.

Dickson still has a number of hotels, some national chains. Montgomery Bell State Park is nearby.

Bellevue is just on the line. The Microtel still has a few rooms left. The nearby Hampton Inn has rooms but is much more expensive.

Franklin is a major suburb of Nashville. I-65 is the main road north, but there are some side roads as well. You could also slide directly east into the path toward Murfreesboro from here. The hotels are still mostly unaware of the eclipse, so there are still some excellent motels at good rates.

Manchester is south of Nashville along I-24. The good news is that you don't have to come into Nashville, just slide straight east. It's only 25 miles to McMinnville, which is in the path.

Chattanooga is the big city on this side. I-75 north will lead to Cleveland and Athens in the path, US 27 to Dayton, US 127 north as well. 23/129 hotels are booked, but again, many are still unaware of the eclipse, so there are still good prices at nice hotels.

More to come....