

Sentinel-Schwaar Star Gaze

The Sentinel-Schwaar Star Gaze is a chance for astronomers to meet at an Arizona dark sky site. It is sponsored by the Deep Sky Group of the Saguaro Astronomy Club in memory of Pierre Schwaar. There is no registration and no fee to attend, just show up and enjoy the night sky. In the past, folks have arrived on Friday, for two nights of observing. There are no facilities at the site; it is just a large flat area in the middle of the desert southwest. It gets both hot and cold, depending on the whim of the weather, so bring cool water and warm clothes. Please be courteous about white light, many observers and photographers are going after very dim objects.

To get to the site, drive to Gila Bend, AZ. and get on the I-8 freeway going west toward Yuma. The Sentinel exit is #87, about 30 miles west from Gila Bend. Take the exit and go south, across the railroad tracks. Go straight south on the dirt road and drive 2 miles until you see a large, flat area of the desert to your left, white rocks mark the site. It is before a cattle guard. **YOU ARE THERE!**

