**WORLD LIST OF DARK SKY PLACES**

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This is a list of dark sky places with a focus on their protected areas such as parks, reserves, proected landscapes and wilderness areas. Those without official protected areas are included in this list as communities, either urban or rural.

The information is collected by members of the IUCN Dark Skies Advisory Group and is correct to the best of our knowledge on the date noted above. The list will be updated whenever we receive new information. For more details on these dark sky places, please search for authoritative web sites and/or contact the appropriate management agencies directly. Recognizing bodies such as the International Dark Sky Association, the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada and the Starlight Initiative, Spain, have more information on their web sites.

Please send corrections and additions to this list to dsag.iucn@gmail.com. Please use the current entries to see which information fields and precision are required. Thank you.

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**Notes**

• Constituent protected areas are listed.

• An approximate central coordinate is presented in decimal latitude and longitude format. These are mostly determined by using on-line mapping tools to locate the dark sky place.

• The areas given are 1) of the constituent protected areas, in the IUCN sense, within the dark sky place, and 2) of the whole dark sky place. A dark sky reserve is typically larger. Note that areas may vary depending on the source, such as the place’s own web site versus the IUCN Protected Planet web site, www.protectedplanet.net.

• The recognition information refers to the year of establishment as a dark sky place, not of the constituent protected area(s).

• Overlapping World Heritage Sites, Ramsar Convention wetland sites and UNESCO Biosphere Reserves are noted.

• DSAG class. A system of dark sky place types developed by DSAG to allow comparisons between different naming styles used by various recognizing bodies. In cases where two or more classes could apply, the lower numbered class is given according to the following binary key.

**1 Dark Sky Astronomy Site**: having an astronomical observatory

**2 Dark Sky Park**: protected natural area

2a Park, reserve, habitat, natural area or other ecological protection

2b Unpopulated area set aside for traditional or sacred practices related to the sky

2c Rural area, area of outstanding landscape beauty

**3 Dark Sky Heritage Site**: protected heritage physical works of mankind

**4 Dark Sky Outreach Site**

4a Urban or suburban site

4b Rural site

**5 Dark Sky Reserve**: core protected area and a sustainable development buffer zone of cooperating community, rural and natural area jurisdictions

**6 Dark Sky Community**: a rural area, village, town or city

6a City, town or village

6b Populated rural area without a formal protected area

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| **CLASS AND SUB-CLASS NUMBERS** | | | | |
| **Grand total = 137** | Class Total | Sub-class a | Sub-class b | Sub-class c |
| Class 1 | 11 |  |  |  |
| Class 2 | 81 | 68 | 2 | 11 |
| Class 3 | 3 |  |  |  |
| Class 4 | 8 | 3 | 5 |  |
| Class 5 | 12 |  |  |  |
| Class 6 | 22 | 20 | 2 |  |

**AUSTRALIA**

**Warrumbungle National Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Warrumbungle National Park

Central lat/long: -31.29, 149.01. Protected area: 23,312 ha. Total area: 23,312 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG Class 2a

**CANADA**

**Acadian Skies and Mi'kmaq Lands Starlight Reserve and Tourism Destination**

• Tobeatic Wilderness Area

• Indian Fields Provincial Park

Central lat/long: 44.14, -65.59. Protected area: 106,057 ha. Total area: 239,139 ha.

Recognition: 2014, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• Southwest Nova Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 5

**Ann and Sandy Cross Conservation Area Nocturnal Preserve**

• Ann and Sandy Cross Conservation Area

Central lat/long: 50.90,-114.20. Protected area: 1,940 ha. Total area: 1,940 ha.

Recognition: 2015, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**Beaver Hills Dark Sky Preserve**

• Elk Island National Park of Canada

• Cooking Lake/Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area

Central lat/long: 53.59, -112.88. Protected area: 29,300 ha. Total area: 29,300 ha.

Recognition: 2006, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

• Niagara Escarpment Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Bluewater Outdoor Education Centre Dark Sky Preserve**

• Bluewater Outdoor Education Centre

Central lat/long: 44.74, -81.23. Protected area: 130 ha. Total area: 130 ha.

Recognition: 2012, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 4b

**Bon Accord International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 53.84, -113.41. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 211 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Bruce Peninsula Dark Sky Preserve**

• Bruce Peninsula National Park of Canada

Central lat/long: 45.16, -81.52. Protected area: 16,700 h. Total area: 16,700 ha.

Recognition: 2009, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**Cattle Point Urban Star Park**

• Uplands Park (part of), City of Victoria, British Columbia

Central lat/long: 48.40, -123.30. Protected area: 6.8 ha. Total area: 6.8 ha.

Recognition: 2013, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 4a

**Cypress Hills Dark Sky Preserve**

• Cypress Hills Provincial Park (Alberta)

• Cypress Hills Provincial Park (Saskatchewan)

• Fort Walsh National Historic Site of Canada

Central lat/long: 49.67, -110.17. Protected area: 39,600 ha. Total area: 39,600 ha.

Recognition: 2005, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**Fundy Dark Sky Preserve**

• Fundy National Park of Canada

Central lat/long: 45.64, -65.10. Protected area: 20,600 ha. Total area: 20,600 ha.

Recognition: 2011, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**Gordon's Park Dark Sky Preserve**

• Gordon's Park

Central lat/long: 45.66, -81.97. Protected area: 108 ha. Total area: 108 ha.

Recognition: 2008, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 4b

**Grasslands Dark Sky Preserve**

• Grasslands National Park of Canada

Central lat/long: 49.12, -107.42. Protected area: 52,700 ha. Total area: 52,700 ha.

Recognition: 2009, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**Irving Urban Star Park**

• Irving Nature Park

Central lat/long: 45.22, -66.13. Protected area: 243 ha. Total area: 243 ha.

Recognition: 2011, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 4a

**Jasper Dark Sky Preserve**

• Jasper National Park of Canada

Central lat/long: 52.89, -118.04. Protected area: 1,122,800 ha. Total area: 1,122,800 ha.

Recognition: 2011, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

• Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks World Heritage Site

DSAG class 2a

**Kejimkujik Dark Sky Preserve**

• Kejimkujik National Park of Canada

Central lat/long: 44.39, -65.23. Protected area: 40,370 ha. Total area: 40,370 ha.

Recognition: 2010, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

• Southwest Nova Biosphere Reserve

DSAG Class 2a

**Kouchibouguac Dark Sky Preserve**

• Kouchibouguac National Park of Canada

Central lat/long: 46.82, -64.97. Protected area: 23,920 ha. Total area: 23,920 ha.

Recognition: 2009, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**Lakeland Dark Sky Preserve**

• Lakeland Provincial Park, Alberta

• Lakeland Provincial Recreation Area

Central lat/long: 54.71, -111.39. Protected area: 59,031 ha. Total area: 64,934 ha.

Recognition: 2016, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**McDonald Park Dark Sky Preserve**

• McDonald Park (Abbotsford, British Columbia)

Central lat/long: 49.10, -122.20. Protected area: 2,225 ha. Total area: 2,225 ha.

Recognition: 2003, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 4a

**Mont-Mégantic International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Mont-Mégantic National Park of Québec

Central lat/long: 45.46, -71.15. Protected area: 5,845 ha. Total area: 550,000 ha.

Recognition: 2007, International Dark Sky Association; 2007 Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 1

**Mount Carleton Dark Sky Preserve**

• Mount Carleton Provincial Park

Central lat/long: 47.38, -66.88. Protected area: 17,427 ha. Total area: 17,427 ha.

Recognition: 2009, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**North Frontenac Township Dark Sky Preserve**

Central lat/long: 44.92, -76.94. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 116 ha.

Recognition: 2013, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 6b

**Old Man on his Back Conservation Area Nocturnal Preserve**

• Old Man on his Back Conservation Area

Central lat/long: 44.20, -109.60. Protected area: 5,316.0 ha. Total area: 5,316.0 ha.

Recognition: 2015, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2c

**Point Pelee Dark Sky Preserve**

• Point Pelee National Park of Canada

Central lat/long: 41.97, -82.52. Protected area: 2,000 ha. Total area: 2,000 ha.

Recognition: 2006, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

• Point Pelee Ramsar Site

DSAG class 2a

**Torrance Barrens Dark Sky Preserve**

• Torrance Barrens Conservation and Dark Sky Reserve

Central lat/long: 44.94, -79.51. Protected area: 1,990 ha. Total area: 1,990 ha.

Recognition: 1999, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

DSAG class 2a

**Waterton Lakes National Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Waterton Lakes National Park

Central lat/long: 49.05, -113.91. Protected area: 50,500 ha. Total area: 50,500 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

• Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park World Heritage Site

• Waterton Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Wood Buffalo Dark Sky Reserve**

• Wood Buffalo National Park of Canada

Central lat/long: 59.80, -112.00. Protected area: 4,400,000 ha. Total area: 4,400,000 ha.

Recognition: 2013, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada

• Wood Buffalo National Park World Heritage Site

• Peace-Athabasca Delta Ramsar Site

• Whooping Crane Summer Range

DSAG class 2a

**CHILE**

**Alto Loa Starlight Tourism Destination**

• Alto Loa National Reserve

Central lat/long: -21.46, -68.54. Protected area: 286,015 ha. Total area: 286,015 ha.

Recognition: 2014, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

DSAG class 2a

**Fray Jorge Starlight Reserve**

• Bosque Fray Jorge National Park

Central lat/long: -30.67, -71.67. Protected area: 9,959 ha. Total area: 134,311 ha.

Recognition: 2013, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• Fray Jorge Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 1

**Gabriela Mistral Dark Sky Sanctuary**

Central lat/long: -30.1, -70.81. Protected area: 36,423 ha. Total area: 36,423 ha.

• El Totoral Reserve (AURA-O site)

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class

**CZECH REPUBLIC**

**Beskydy Dark Sky Park**

• Beskydy Protected Landscape Area (includes many nature reserves and national monuments)

Central lat/long: 49.50, 18.50. Protected area: 22,230 ha. Total area: 22,230 ha.

Recognition: 2013: Czech Astronomical Society, Beskydy Protected Landscape Area and Czech Republic Forests - Forestry Office Ostravice

DSAG class 2b

See also joint entry with Slovakia

**Izera Dark Sky Park**

• Jizerske hory Protected Landscape Area

• Bukovec Nature Reserve

• Raseliniste Jizery National Nature Reserve

• Rybi Loucky Nature Reserve

Central lat/long: 50.84, 15.33. Protected area: 3,600 ha. Total area: 3,600 ha.

Recognition: 2009: Astronomical Institute of the Academy of Sciences; Protected Landscape Area Jizerske hory; Liberec Regional Directorate of Czech Republic Forests

• Krkokonose/Karkonosze Transboundary Biosphere Reserve (Czech Rep/Poland)

DSAG class 2a

See also the joint entry with Poland

**DENMARK**

**Møn and Nyord International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 55.00, 12.35. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 23,747 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

See also Møn and Nyord International Dark Sky Park, below

**Møn and Nyord International Dark Sky Park**

Central lat/long: 55.00, 12.35. Protected area: 2,284 ha. Total area: 2,284 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

• Møn Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**FRANCE**

**Luberon-Lure Starlight Reserve**

• Parc Naturel Régional du Luberon

Central lat/long: 43.82, -5.4333. Protected area: 25,314 ha. Total area: 244,645 ha.

Recognition: date unknown, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• Luberon-Lure Biosphere Reserve

• Luberon Geopark

DSAG class 5

**Pic du Midi International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Pyrénées National Park

• Néouvielle National Nature Reserve

• Pyrénées-Mont Perdu (Gavarnie) UNESCO World Heritage Site

• Chemins de St-Jacques en France UNESCO World Heritage Site (part of)

• Aulon Regional Nature Reserve

Central lat/long: 42.94, 0.14. Protected area: 49,337 ha. Total area: 311,200 ha.

Recognition: 2013, International Dark Sky Association

• Pyrénées-Mont Perdu World Heritage Site

DSAG class 1

**GERMANY**

**Eifel International Dark Sky Park**

• Eifel National Park

Central lat/long: 50.60, 6.43. Protected area: 10,700 ha. Total area: 10,700 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Rhön International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Bavarian Rhon Nature Park

• Rhön Biosphere Reserve

Central lat/long: 50.45, 10.04. Protected area: 14,700 ha. Total area: 186,500 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 5

**Westhavelland International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Westhavelland Nature Park (extends beyond the dark sky reserve)

Central lat/long: 52.70, 12.48. Protected area: 78,660 ha. Total area: 78,660.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 5

**HUNGARY**

**Bükk Starry Sky Park/International Dark Sky Park**

• Bükk National Park

Central lat/long: 48.05, 20.53. Protected area: 43,169 ha. Total area: 43,169 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Hortobágy Starry-Sky Park/International Dark Sky Park**

• Hortobágy National Park

Central lat/long: 47.55, 21.12. Protected area: 82,000 ha. Total area: 82,000 ha.

Recognition: 2011, International Dark Sky Association

• Hortobágy National Park World Heritage Site

• Hortobágy Ramsar Site

• Hortobágy Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Zselic Starry-Sky Park/International Dark Sky Park**

• Zselic Landscape Protection Area

Central lat/long: 46.38, 18.27. Protected area: 9,042 ha. Total area: 9,042 ha.

Recognition: 2009, International Dark Sky Association; 2006, Hungarian Astronomical Association

DSAG class 2a

**IRELAND**

**Kerry International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Derrynane National Historic Park

Central lat/long: 51.8969, -10.0894. Protected area: no data. Total area: 70,000 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2c

**Mayo International Dark Sky Park**

• Ballycroy National Park

• Wild Nephin Wilderness Area

• Owenduff/Nephin Complex Special Area of Conservation

Central lat/long: 54.07, -9.69. Protected area: 15,000 ha. Total area: 15,000 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**ISRAEL**

**Ramon Crater International Dark Sky Park**

• Ramon Crater Nature Reserve

• Har Hanegev Nature Reserve

• Matsuk HaTsinim Nature Reserve

Central lat/long: 30.58, 34.82. Protected area: 110,000 ha. Total area: 110,000 ha

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2c

**ITALY**

**Sila Starlight Reserve**

• Sila National Park

Central lat/long: 39.34, 16.44. Protected area: 6,803 ha. Total area: 357,294 ha.

Recognition: date unknown, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• Sila Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2c

**NAMIBIA**

**NamibRand International Dark Sky Reserve**

• NamibRand Nature Reserve

Central lat/long: -25.12, 15.99. Protected area: 172,200 ha. Total area: 172,200 ha.

Recognition: 2012, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**NETHERLANDS**

**Dark Sky Park De Boschplaat**

• De Boschplaat Nature Reserve

Central lat/long: 53.44, 5.50. Protected area: 4,400 ha. Total area: 4,400 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

• Waddensea Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Lauwersmeer National Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Lauwersmeer National Park

Central lat/long: 53.35, 6.19. Protected area: 4,950 ha. Total area: 6,010 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**NEW ZEALAND**

**Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Aoraki/Mt Cook National Park

Central lat/long: -43.60, 170.35. Protected area: 70,696 ha. Total area: 436,700 ha.

Recognition: 2012, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 1

**Aotea/Great Barrier Island International Dark Sky Sanctuary**

Central lat/long: -36.17, 175.38. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 28,800 ha.

Recognition: 2017 International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6b

**POLAND**

**Bieszczady Starry-Sky Park**

• Bieszczady National Park

• San Valley Landscape Park

• Cisna-Wetlina Landscape

Central lat/long: 49.20, 22.47. Protected area: 113,846 ha. Total area: 113,846 ha.

Recognition: 2013, Administrative districts Lutowiska and Komancza; Bieszczady National Park in Ustrzyki Gorne; Administration of the Carpathian Landscape Parks in Krosno; The State Forests National Forest Holding - District Lutowiska and Stuposiany; Faculty of Environmental Engineering of the University of Technology of Cracow; Pedagogical University of Cracow - Mt. Suhora Astronomical Observatory; Bieszczady Foundation; Bieszczady Regional Development Agency; The Carpathian Wildlife Foundation; Joint Schools in Lutowiska

• East Carpathian Biosphere |Reserve

• East Beskid Biosphere |Reserve

DSAG class 1

**Izera Dark Sky Park**

• Torfowiska Doliny Izery Nature Reserve

Central lat/long: 50.85, 15.38. Protected area: 3,850 ha. Total area: 3,850 ha.

Recognition: 2009, Astronomical Institute of the University of Wroclaw; Polish State Forests, Forestry Commission Swieradow; Polish State Forests, Forestry Commission Szklarska Poreba

• Krkokonose/Karkonosze Transboundary Biosphere Reserve (Czech Rep/Poland)

DSAG class 2a

See also the joint entry with the Czech Republic.

**Sopotnia Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 49.59, 19.30. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: Unknown

Recognition: 2011, Ciemne Niebo Program (Polish partner of International Dark-Sky Association)

DSAG class 6a

**PORTUGAL**

**Alqueva Starlight Tourism Destination**

• Evora megalithic sites

Central lat/long: 38.20, -7.50. Protected area: Unknown. Total area: 300,000 ha.

Recognition: 2011, Fundacion Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

DSAG class 6a

**SLOVAKIA**

**Beskydy Dark Sky Park**

• Kysuce Protected Landscape Area (includes two national monuments)

Central lat/long: 49.40, 18.50. Protected area: 8,570 ha. Total area: 8,570 ha.

Recognition: 2013: Kysuce Protected Landscape Area and Slovak Astronomical Society of Slovak Academy of Sciences

DSAG class 2b

See also joint entry with Czech Republic

**Poloniny Dark Sky Park**

• Poloniny National Park; villages of Kolonica, Ladomirov, Kalná Roztoka, Klenová, and Ruská Volová

Central lat/long: 49.03, 22.36. Protected area: 48,519 ha. Total area: 48,519 ha.

Recognition: 2010, Slovak Union of Amateur Astronomers

• Primeval Beech Forests of the Carpathians and the Ancient Beech Forests of Germany World Heritage Site

DSAG class 2a

**SOUTH KOREA**

**Yeongyang Firefly Eco Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Yeongyang Firefly Eco Park

• Yeongyang Firefly Special Zone

• Wangpicheon Ecosystem and Landscape Conservation Area

Central lat/long: 36.67, 129.11. Protected area: 132 ha. Total area: 197 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 4b

**SPAIN**

**El Teide Starlight Reserve and Tourism Destination**

• El Teide National Park

• Corona Forestal Natural Park

• El Teide Observatory

Central lat/long: 28.3, -16.6. Protected area: 18,990 ha. Total area: 65,602.0 ha.

Recognition: 2013, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• El Teide National Park World Heritage site

DSAG class 1

**Fuerteventura Starlight Reserve**

• Betancuria Natural Protected Area

• Jandía Natural Park

Central lat/long: 28.44, -14.10. Protected area: 60,517.0 ha. Total area: 166,000 ha.

Recognition: 2009, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• Saladar de Jandía Ramsar Site

• Fuerteventura Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 5

**Gredos Norte Starlight Reserve and Starlight Tourism Destination**

• Sierra de Gredos Regional Park

Central lat/long: 40.42, -5.17. Protected area: 52,000 ha. Total area: 52,000 ha.

Recognition: 2014, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

DSAG class 5

**Gúdar Javalambre Starlight Reserve and Tourism Destination**

Central lat/long: 40.23, -0.68. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 235,160 ha.

Recognition: 2016, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

DSAG class 6a

**La Palma Starlight Reserve**

• La Caldera de Taburiente National Park

• Pinar de Garafía Natural Reserve

• Las Nieves Natural Park

• Cumbre Vieja Natural Park

Central lat/long: 28.71, -17.86. Protected area: 10,265 ha. Total area: 80,702 ha.

Recognition: 2011, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• La Palma Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 1

**Leza, Jubera, Cidacos y Alhama Valleys SR & SD (La Rioja Starlight Reserve)**

• Core Area of the Valles del Jubera, Leza, Cidacos y Alhama Biosphere Reserve

Central lat/long: 42.01, -2.01. Protected area: 5,983 ha. Total area: 119,169 ha.

Recognition: 2011, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• Valles del Jubera, Leza, Cidacos y Alhama Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Los Pedroches Starlight Reserve**

Central lat/long: 38.42, -4.08. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 350,000 ha.

Recognition: 2016, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

DSAG class 6a

**Monfragüe Starlight Reserve**

• Monfragüe National Park and Biosphere Reserve

Central lat/long: 39.82, -5.94. Protected area: 18,118a. Total area: 116,160 ha.

Recognition: 2011, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

DSAG class 5

**Montsec Starlight Reserve and Tourism Destination**

• Montsec Mountains Natural Area

• Fauna Reserve of Sant Llorenç de Montgai

• Natural Reserve of Noguera Ribagorçana-MontRebei (part of)

• plus six other protected areas partially within the area

Central lat/long: 42.01, 0.8. Protected area: 160,000 ha. Total area: 160,000 ha.

Recognition: 2013, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

DSAG class 1

**Sierra Morena Andaluza SR & SD**

• Sierra Norte Nature Park

• Sierra de Hornachuelos Nature Park

• Sierra de Aracena y Picos de Aroche Nature Park

Central lat/long: 37.92, -6.18. Protected area: 360,740 ha. Total area: 424,200.0 ha.

Recognition: 2014, Fundación Starlight (Starlight Initiative)

• Las Dehesas de Sierra Morena Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Sierra Nevada Observatory Area**

• Sierra Nevada National Park

Central lat/long: 37.09, -3.3819. Protected area: 15,393 ha. Total area; 15,393 ha.

Recognition: 2013, Junta de Andalucia Regional Government

• Sierra Nevada Biospshere Reserve

DSAG class 1

**UNITED KINGDOM**

**Bodmin Moor International Dark Sky Park**

• Cornwall Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (part of)

• Bodmin National Nature Reserve

• Multiple sites of scientific and historic interest

Central lat/long: 50.56, -4.63. Protected area: 20,875 ha. Total area: 43,460 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

• Cornish Mining World Heritage Site

DSAG class 5

**Brecon Beacons International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Brecon Beacons National Park

Central lat/long: 51.86, -3.47. Protected area: 134,679 ha. Total area: 134,679 ha.

Recognition: 2013, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 5

**Elan Valley Estate International Dark Sky Park**

• Elenydd-Mallaen Special Protected Area (part of)

• Claerwen National Nature Reserve

• Twelve Sites of Special Scientific Interest

• Three Special Areas of Conservation

• Elan Valley Woodlands Site of Community Importance

Central lat/long: 52.28, -3.64. Protected area: 18,000 ha. Total area: 18,000 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Exmoor International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Exmoor National Park

Central lat/long: 51.14, -3.65. Protected area: 69,200 ha. Total area: 181,400 ha.

Recognition: 2011, International Dark Sky Association

• Braunton Burrows-North Devon Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 5

**Galloway Forest International Dark Sky Park**

• Galloway Forest Park

Central lat/long: 55.09, -4.37. Protected area: 77.700 ha. Total area: 80,700 ha.

Recognition: 2009, International Dark Sky Association

• Galloway and South Ayrshire Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 5

**Isle of Coll International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 56.63, -6.56. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 7,700 ha.

Recognition: 2013, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Isle of Sark International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 49.43,-2.37. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 545 ha.

Recognition: 2011, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Moffat International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 55.34, -3.44. 03. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 14,700 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Northumberland International Dark Sky Park**

• Northumberland National Park

• Kielder Water and Forest Park

Central lat/long: 55.32, -2.34. Protected area: 148,200 ha. Total area: 148,200 ha.

Recognition: 2013, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2c

**Snowdonia International Dark Sky Reserve**

• Snowdonia National Park

Central lat/long: 50.08, -4.08. Protected area: 213,156 ha. Total area: 213,156 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

• Castles and Town Walls of King Edward in Gwynedd

DSAG class 5

**South Downs National Park International Dark Sky Reserve**

• South Downs National Park

Central lat/long: 51.06, -0.69. Protected area: 165,268 ha. Total area: 165,268 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 5

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**Antelope Island International Dark Sky Park**

• Antelope Island State Park

Central lat/long: 40.96, -112.21. Protected area: 11,428 ha. Total area: 11,428 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Beverley Shores International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 41.68, -86.99. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 1,510 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Big Bend International Dark Sky Park**

• Big Bend National Park

Central lat/long: 29.22, -103.24. Protected area: 324,219 ha. Total area: 324,219 ha.

Recognition: 2012, International Dark Sky Association

• Big Bend Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Big Cypress National Preserve International Dark Sky Park**

• Big Cypress National Preserve

Central lat/long: 25.86, -81.03. Protected area: 296,278 ha. Total area: 296,278 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Big Park/Village of Oak Creek International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 34.80, -111.80. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 1,176 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Black Canyon of the Gunnison International Dark Sky Park**

• Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park

Central lat/long: 38.58, -107.74. Protected area: 12,445 ha. Total area: 12,444 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Blue Ridge Observatory and Star Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Blue Ridge Observatory and Star Park

Central lat/long: 35.93, -82.02. Protected area: 2 ha. Total area: 2 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 4b

**Borrego Springs International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 33.25, -116.37.19 Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 11,000 ha.

Recognition: 2009, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6

**Canyonlands International Dark Sky Park**

• Canyonlands National Park

Central lat/long: 38.33, -109.88. Protected area: 136,626 ha. Total area: 136,626 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Capitol Reef International Dark Sky Park**

• Capitol Reef National Park

Central lat/long: 38.36, -111.26. Protected area: 98,000 ha. Total area: 98,00 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Capulin Volcano National Monument International Dark Sky Park**

• Capulin Volcano National Monument

Central lat/long: 36.78 -103.97. Protected area: 321 ha. Total area: 321 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Cedar Breaks National Monument International Dark Sky Park**

• Cedar Breaks National Monument

Central lat/long: 37.64, -112.85. Protected area: 2,491 ha. Total area: 2,490 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2c

**Chaco Culture International Dark Sky Park**

• Chaco Culture National Historic Park

Central lat/long: 36.06, -107.97. Protected area: 13,749 ha. Total area: 13,749 ha.

Recognition: 2013, International Dark Sky Association

• Chaco Culture World Heritage Site

DSAG class 3

**Cherry Springs Dark Sky Park**

• Cherry Springs State Park

Central lat/long: 41.65, -77.82. Protected area: 49 ha. Total area: 49 ha.

Recognition: 2000, Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

DSAG class 2a

**Clayton Lake Dark Sky Park**

• Clayton Lake State Park

Central lat/long: 36.58, -103.31. Protected area: 231 ha. Total area: 231 ha.

Recognition: 2010, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Copper Breaks International Dark Sky Park**

• Copper Breaks State Park

Central lat/long: 34.11, -99.75. Protected area: 769 ha. Total area: 768 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Cosmic Campground International Dark Sky Sanctuary**

• Gila National Forest

Central lat/long: 33.48, -108.92. Protected area: 1 ha. Total area: 1 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Craters Of The Moon National Monument International Dark Sky Park**

• Craters of the Moon National Monument (only NPS managed part)

Central lat/long: 43.43, -113.48. Protected area: 21,618 ha. Total area: 21,618 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Dark Sky Coast**

• Wilderness State Park

Central lat/long: 45.73, 84.85. Protected area: 8,498 ha. Total area: 8,498 ha.

Recognition: 2012, Michigan legislation

DSAG class 2a

**Dead Horse Point State Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Dead Horse State Park

Central lat/long: 38.51, -109.74. Protected area: 2,170 ha. Total area: 2,170 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Death Valley International Dark Sky Park**

• Death Valley National Park

Central lat/long: 36.51, -117.08. Protected area: 1,363,000 ha. Total area: 1,363,000 ha.

Recognition: 2013, International Dark Sky Association

• Mojave and Colorado Deserts Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Dripping Springs International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 30.20, -98.09.43. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 30,300 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Enchanted Rock International Dark Sky Park**

• Enchanted Rock State Natural Area

Central lat/long: 30.51, -98.82. Protected area: 665 ha. Total area: 665 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Flagstaff International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 31.20, -111.63.11 Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 25,500 ha.

Recognition: 2001, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Flagstaff Area National Monuments International Dark Sky Park**

• Walnut Canyon National Monument

• Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument

• Wupatki National Monument

Central lat/long: 35.37, -111.45. Protected area: 16,994 ha. Total area: 16,994 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Glacier National Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Glacier National Park

Central lat/long: 48.70, -113.72. Protected area: 410,100 ha. Total area: 410,077 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

• Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park World Heritage Site

• Glacier Biosphere Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Goblin Valley State Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Goblin Valley State Park

Central lat/long: 38.57, -110.71. Protected area: 1,479 ha. Total area: 1,479 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Grand Canyon National Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Grand Canyon National Park

Central lat/long: 36.06, -112.12. Protected area: 492,608 ha. Total area: 492,608 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Great Basin National Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Great Basin National Park

Central lat/long: 39.01, -114.22. Protected area: 31,230 ha. Total area: 31,230 ha

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Headlands International Dark Sky Park**

• Headlands Park

Central lat/long: 45.78, -84.78. Protected area: 243 ha. Total area: 243 ha.

Recognition: 2011, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Homer Glenn International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 41.63, -87.94.14. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 5,800 ha.

Recognition: 2011, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Horseshoe Bay International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 30.56,-98.36. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 1,092 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Hovenweep International Dark Sky Park**

• Hovenweep National Monument

Central lat/long: 37.28, -109.12. Protected area: 318 ha. Total area: 318 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 3

**Joshua Tree International Dark Sky Park**

• Joshua Tree National Park

Central lat/long: 33.87, -115.90. Protected area: 320,717 ha. Total area: 320,717 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Kaibab Paiute Indian Reservation International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 36.90, -112.75 Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 48,904 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Kartchner Caverns International Dark Sky Park**

• Kartchner Caverns State Park

Central lat/long: 31.84, -110.35. Protected area: unknown. Total area: unknown

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Ketchum International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 43.68, -114.37.17 Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 843 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**Kissimmee International Dark Sky Park**

• Kissimmee Prairie Preserve State Park

Central lat/long: 27.56, -81.02. Protected area: 21,745 ha. Total area: 21,745 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Lake Hudson Recreation Area Dark Sky Preserve**

• Lake Hudson Recreation Area

Central lat/long: 41.83, -84.26. Protected area: 890 ha. Total area: 890 ha.

Recognition: 1993, Michigan legislation

DSAG class 2c

**Natural Bridges Dark Sky Park**

• Natural Bridges National Monument

Central lat/long: 37.60, -110.01. Protected area: 3,091 ha. Total area: 3,091 ha.

Recognition: 2007, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Negwegon Dark Sky Preserve**

• Negwegon State Park

Central lat/long: 44.87, -83.33. Protected area: 1,560 ha. Total area: 1,560 ha.

Recognition: 2016, Michigan legislation

DSAG class 2c

**Newport State Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Newport State Park

Central lat/long: 45.24, -86.99. Protected area: 960 ha. Total area: 960 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Observatory Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Observatory Park

Central lat/long: 41.56, -81.20. Protected area: 418 ha. Total area: 418 ha.

Recognition: 2009, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 1

**Oracle International Dark Sky Park**

• Oracle State Park

Central lat/long: 32.61, -110.73. Protected area: 1,619 ha. Total area: 1,619 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Parashant International Night Sky Province**

• Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument

Central lat/long: 36.46, -113.63. Protected area: 411,515 ha. Total area: 424,242 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association, as an International Dark Sky Reserve

DSAG class 2a

**Pickett-Pogue International Dark Sky Park**

• Pogue Creek Canyon State Natural Area

• Pickett Civilian Conservation Corps Memorial State Park

Central lat/long: 36.53, -83.15. Protected area: 1,619 ha. Total area: 1,618.8 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Port Crescent Dark Sky Preserve**

• Port Crescent State Park

Central lat/long: 44.00, -83.07. Protected area: 49 ha. Total area: 49 ha.

Recognition: 2012, Michigan legislation

DSAG class 2a

Note: Port Crescent State Park totals 120 ha: only part is designated as a dark sky preserve

**Potawatomi Dark-Sky Preserve**

• Potawatomi Wildlife Park

Central lat/long: 41.23, -86.11. Protected area: 130 ha. Total area: 130 ha.

Recognition: 2009, Indiana Council on Lighting Education, Indiana legislation

DSAG class 2a

**Rockport Dark-Sky Preserve**

• Rockport State Recreation Area

Central lat/long: 45.21, -83.41. Protected area: 1,715 ha. Total area: 1,714 ha.

Recognition: 2016, Michigan legislation

DSAG class 2c

**Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument International Dark Sky Park**

• Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument

Central lat/long: 44.26, -106.09. Protected area: 433 ha. Total area: 433 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 3

**Sedona International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 34.87, -111.76. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 4,970 ha.

Recognition: 2014, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a

**South Llano River International Dark Sky Park**

• South Llano River State Park

Central lat/long: 30.45, -99.81. Protected area: 212 ha. Total area: 212 ha.

Recognition: 2017, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2c

**Staunton River International Dark Sky Park**

• Staunton River State Park

Central lat/long: 36.70, -77.33. Protected area: 945 ha. Total area: 945 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Stephen C. Foster International Dark Sky Park**

• Stephen C. Foster State Park

• Okefenokee National Wilderness Refuge

Central lat/long: 30.83, -82.36. Protected area: 32 ha. Total area: 32 ha.

Recognition: 2016, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Thompson's Harbor Dark Sky Preserve**

• Thompson's Harbor State Park

Central lat/long: 45.21, -83.41. Protected area: 2,068 ha. Total area: 2,068

Recognition: 2016, Michigan legislation

DSAG class 2c

**UBarU Camp and Retreat Center International Dark Sky Park**

Central lat/long: 30.19, -99.27. Protected area: none. Total area: 58 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 4b

**Weber County North Fork Park International Dark Sky Park**

• Weber County North Fork Park

Central lat/long: 41.37. -110.10. Protected area: 998 ha. Total area: 998 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 2a

**Westcliffe/Silver Cliff International Dark Sky Community**

Central lat/long: 38.13,-105.45. Protected area: 0 ha. Total area: 43,300 ha.

Recognition: 2015, International Dark Sky Association

DSAG class 6a