

## 2017 Ashland Ohio Balloonfest at Freer Field

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High flying fun for the whole family! 27 years of high flying fun! Balloonfest promises to be an outing with the entire family in mind.



Feel the excitement and splendor of bold, colorful hot air balloons as they tower over you, then magically rise and soar away! Plus, enjoy lots of other activities: Balloon Glow, Balloon races, stage performances, sport tournaments, displays, exhibits, food and more. Everyone will enjoy the colorful Ashland skies as the hot air balloons fill the air for this memorable weekend. Delight yourself in the festivities! Each year you attend you will have a new experience to treasure for years to come. Entertainment, music, shows, and an assortment of food vending is all part of the nonstop activities.

Over the past 27 years, even through the unpredictability of the weather, the Ashland Balloonfest has been a memorable weekend for the community of Ashland. There have always been over 20 to 30 balloons participating, with the record being 39 balloons in 2005, depending on pilot schedules and sponsorships available. In the past, there have been many shaped balloons such as a Santa Claus, Red Dragon, the Purple People Eater, a large-sized American flag, a pink monster truck, and even Gordo the Monkey.

Thursday, June 29th to Saturday, July 1st  
7:00am-10:00pm  
Freer Field  
1256 Center St., Ashland  
(S.R. 60/Center St. & Morgan Ave)

Click [HERE](#) for the full schedule of events.

To watch the Balloon Glow each night at 8:15pm is free. However, if you'd like a more special

experience, you may be interested in the Balloon Glow Encounter.

Enjoy this up close experience like no one else. Balloon Glow Encounter offers you and 3 others a chance to enter the launch field 1 hour prior to balloon glow and watch the show inside the launch area (restricted to the public). 1 Ticket includes 1 parking pass, 4 Pepsi products, launch field entry for 4 people (1 hour prior to glow) and 1 official Balloonfest Souvenir. Balloon Glow is weather permitting. No refunds. Ticket purchase will become a tax-deductable donation upon request should weather ground balloons.

You can purchase add-on tickets for entry into launch field only. Add-on ticket is good for launch field only, no additional parking passes. Pepsi vouchers and souvenirs will be given. You will need 1 ticket for each person.

A ticket is needed for anyone 1 years of age and older for either ticket type (add-on or the 4 pack).

Family 4-pack Tickets: \$50

Add-On Tickets: \$12.50

Instructions: Show printed/mobile ticket to parking attendant (keep the ticket). Take printed/mobile ticket to Balloon Glow Encounter table near the information tent to receive: coupon for 4 drinks, 1 Official Balloonfest souvenir, and hand stamps for entry for 4 into launch field to watch the balloon glow. You are welcome to bring chairs, blankets, etc.

Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets for the Balloon Glow Encounter.

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