

# HEART OF TEXAS WEST WILDLIFE TRAIL



## GUIDE TO USING THE MAP

The Great Texas Wildlife Trail - Heart of Texas West includes 12 separate loops, each of which encompasses an array of associated sites and birds. The color-coded loops on the front and back of the map provide easy access to related information. Site symbols on the map are shaped and colored to show access, indicate fees when applicable and denote the availability of developed overnight facilities at each location. This map also furnishes information about the trail locations, including detailed instructions on how to reach each site and GPS coordinates where available. Using this map, travelers will no longer struggle to locate obscure birding spots that may contain the species they're looking to see.

This publication contains an illustrated highway map of the Heart of Texas West that shows the 105 designated sites. Each site is marked with a symbol that points to its location, with the shape of the symbol signifying the following:

- The site is open daily, and developed camping is available at the site.
- ▲ The site is open for day use only.
- Call ahead, access to the site is restricted; visitation may be arranged by contacting the managing entity at the address and telephone number provided.

Note: If the symbol is outlined in black, an entrance fee or donation may be required.

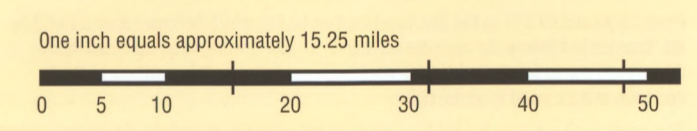
In addition, each symbol is colored to distinguish the segment or loop to which the site belongs. Each site has been assigned to one of the twelve loops, and no loop requires more than a long weekend to leisurely traverse.

Descriptions of the sites are on the back of the map, and include directions to each location, examples of the birds to be seen, and contact for additional information. The text in the map is organized by loops. A list of contacts (chambers of commerce, convention and visitors bureaus) begins each section. Information about food, lodging, and local points of interest may be obtained from these organizations. Several also publish maps and guides to the birds and sites in their regions, so visit the local visitor centers when traveling throughout the hill country for additional information.

To aid travelers, each site is marked with a brown sign illustrated with the familiar Greater Roadrunner logo, as well as a unique site number that corresponds with the map.



- 10 Interstate
- 111 State Highway
- 1684 State Loop or Spur
- 417 Park Road
- 2437 Farm or Ranch Road
- 100 U.S. Highway
- 80 Alternate Route (U.S. Highway)
- 87 Business Route (U.S. Highway)
- Red Area with Restrooms



## IMPORTANCE OF NATURE TOURISM

The Great Texas Wildlife Trail program was developed in an effort to make it easier for people to find special places throughout the state of Texas to go wildlife watching. TPWD produced these maps to help visitors by connecting nature tourism destinations into easy driving loops while also supporting sustainable economic development in local communities.

Wildlife watching is big business in Texas! With 4.4 million participants (2.2 million of whom are birdwatchers) wildlife watchers have an overall economic impact of \$1.3 billion on the Texas economy. Wildlife watchers spend more money in Texas each year than hunters or anglers! With the help of this map and the entire Great Texas Wildlife Trail series, enjoy this wonderful state and the great diversity of experiences waiting for you along the highways and back roads. As we like to say at TPWD, life's better outside.

## TEXAS PADDLING TRAILS

View wildlife from a different vantage point! The Texas Paddling Trails program develops public inland and coastal paddling trails throughout the state and supports these trails with online maps, signage, fishing and wildlife-viewing information, and more! These trails provide well-mapped, accessible day trips in a variety of settings and for all levels of paddling experience offering wildlife viewers another avenue for exploring the outdoors. [www.tpwd.texas.gov/paddling](http://www.tpwd.texas.gov/paddling)

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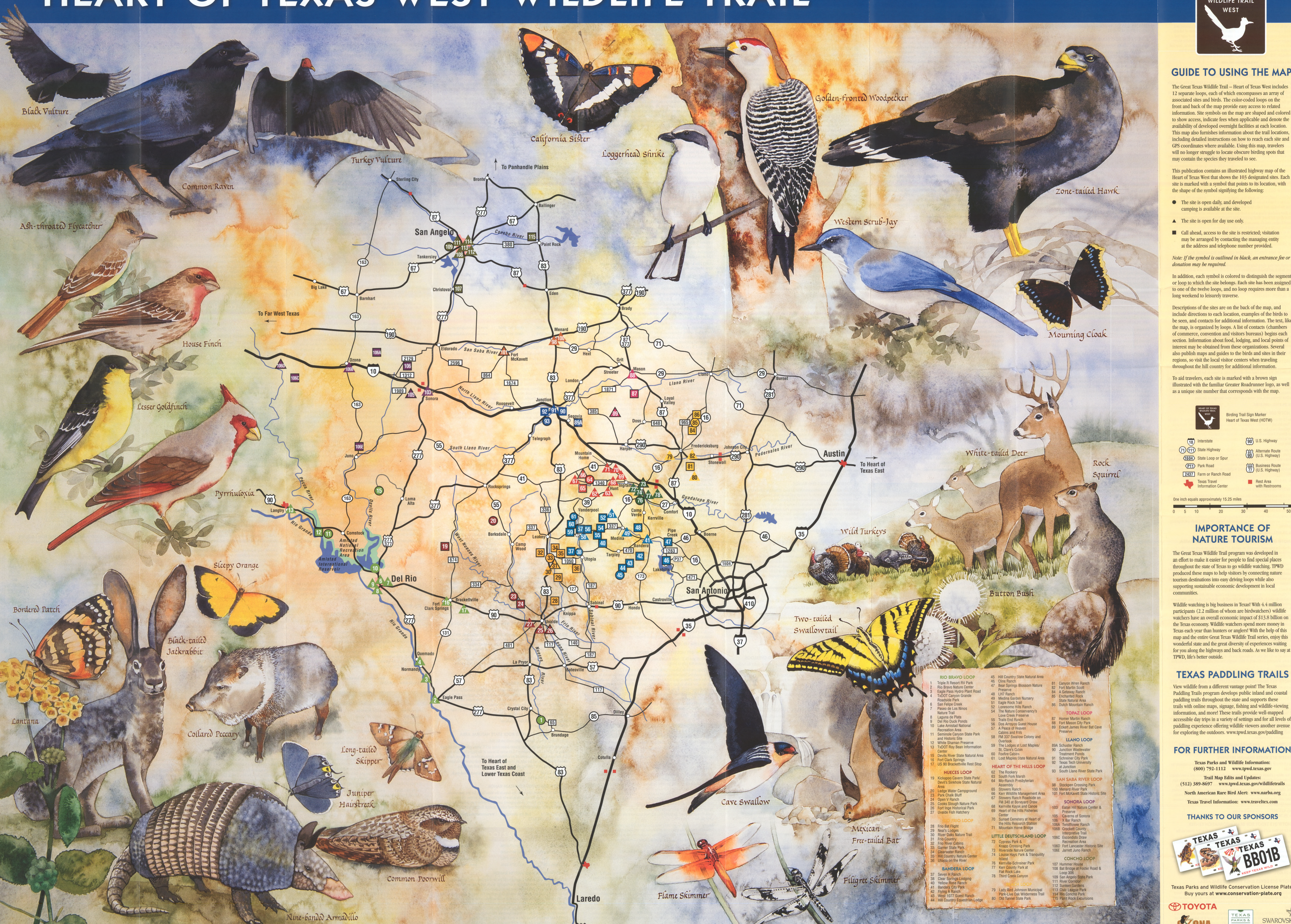
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Black Vulture

Ash-throated Flycatcher

House Finch

Lesser Goldfinch

Bordered Patch

Lantana

Nine-banded Armadillo

Common Raven

Pyrrhuloxia

Sleepy Orange

Black-tailed Jackrabbit

Collared Peccary

Turkey Vulture

Black-tailed Jackrabbit

Long-tailed Skipper

Juniper Hairstreak

Common Poorwill

California Sister

Long-tailed Skipper

Common Poorwill

Loggerhead Shrike

Juniper Hairstreak

Common Poorwill

Golden-fronted Woodpecker

Western Scrub-Jay

Mexican Free-tailed Bat

Pilgrimage Skimmer

Zone-tailed Hawk

Mourning Cloak

Button Bush

Cave Swallow

Flame Skimmer

White-tailed Deer

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Rock Squirrel

Wild Turkeys

Two-tailed Swallowtail

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| <p><b>RIO BRAVO LOOP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Triple R Resort RV Park</li> <li>2 Rio Bravo Nature Center</li> <li>3 Eagle Pass Hydro Plant Road</li> <li>4 TXDOT Canyon Grande Roadside Park</li> <li>5 San Felipe Creek</li> <li>6 Pecos de los Ninos Nature Trail</li> <li>7 Lagler Park</li> <li>8 Del Rio Duck Ponds</li> <li>9 Lake Amistad National Recreation Area</li> <li>10 Fort Clark Springs</li> <li>11 Serranillo Canyon State Park and Historic Site</li> <li>12 White Shaman Preserve</li> <li>13 TXDOT Roy Bean Information Center</li> <li>14 Devils River State Natural Area</li> <li>15 Fort Clark Springs</li> <li>16 US 90 Bracketville Rest Stop</li> </ol>   | <p><b>HILL COUNTRY STATE NATURAL AREA</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>45 Hill Country State Natural Area</li> <li>46 Cline Ranch</li> <li>47 Bear Springs Blossom Nature Preserve</li> <li>48 147 Ranch</li> <li>49 Medina Garden Nursery</li> <li>50 Eagle Rock Trail</li> <li>51 Lonesome Hills Ranch</li> <li>52 The Nature Conservancy's Low Creek Preserve</li> <li>53 Trails End Ranch</li> <li>54 Dick Anthony Guest House</li> <li>55 A Peace of Heaven Cabins and RVs</li> <li>56 FM 537 Swallow Colony and Overlook</li> <li>57 The Loggia at Lost Maples/ St. Clare's Cabin</li> <li>58 Footini Cabin</li> <li>59 Lost Maples State Natural Area</li> <li>60 Fort McKavett State Historic Site</li> </ol>  |
| <p><b>NUECES LOOP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>19 Kicaggon Cavern State Park/ Davin's Sinkhole State Natural Area</li> <li>20 Ladue Water Campground</li> <li>21 Peak Oak Bluff</li> <li>22 Open V Ranch</li> <li>23 Cowles South Nature Park</li> <li>24 Fort Inga Historical Park</li> <li>25 Uvalde Fish Hatchery</li> <li>26 Frio Bat Flight</li> <li>27 Neal's Lodges</li> <li>28 River Oaks Nature Trail</li> <li>29 Frio County</li> <li>30 Frio River Gables</li> <li>31 Guetter State Park</li> <li>32 Clearwater Ranch</li> <li>33 Jim Country Nature Center</li> <li>34 Utopia on the River</li> <li>35 Seven H Ranch</li> <li>36 Clear Springs Lodging</li> <li>37 Yellow Rose Ranch</li> <li>38 Anderson City Park</li> <li>39 Flying A Ranch</li> <li>40 West 1077 Guest Ranch</li> <li>41 Hill Country Equestrian Loop</li> </ol> | <p><b>HEART OF THE HILLS LOOP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>61 The Rookery</li> <li>62 South Fork Branch</li> <li>63 McRanch Freshwater Assembly</li> <li>64 Kerr Wildlife Management Area</li> <li>65 Stowers Ranch Roadside on FM 340 at Bonnyard Drive</li> <li>66 Open V Ranch</li> <li>67 Cowles South Nature Park</li> <li>68 Kerrville Kayak and Canoe</li> <li>69 Heart of the Hills Fisheries Center</li> <li>70 Summit Cemetery at Heart of the Hills Research Station</li> <li>71 Mountain Home Bridge</li> <li>72 Cypress Park &amp; Campground</li> <li>73 Riverside Nature Center</li> <li>74 Cooper Hills Park &amp; Tranquility Island</li> <li>75 Kerrville-Schreiner Park</li> <li>76 Kerr County Park</li> <li>77 Hill Rock Lake</li> <li>78 Third Creek Canyon</li> <li>79 Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park-Live Oak Wilderness Park</li> <li>80 Old Travel State Park</li> </ol> |
| <p><b>LITTLE DEUTSCHLAND LOOP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>39 Canyon Wren Ranch</li> <li>40 Fort Martin Scott</li> <li>41 A Getaway Ranch</li> <li>42 State Natural Area</li> <li>43 Dutch Mountain Ranch</li> </ol>   | <p><b>SONORA LOOP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>87 Homer Martin Ranch</li> <li>88 Fort Mason City Park</li> <li>89 Eckert James River Bat Cave Preserve</li> <li>90 Schuster Ranch</li> <li>91 Junction Wastewater Treatment Ponds</li> <li>92 Schreiner City Park</li> <li>93 Texas Tech University at Junction</li> <li>94 South Llano River State Park</li> <li>95 Schuster Ranch</li> <li>96 Stages Crossing Park</li> <li>97 Menard River Park</li> <li>98 Fort McKavett State Historic Site</li> <li>99 Eastern Hill Nature Center &amp; Preserve</li> <li>100 Caverns of Sonora</li> <li>101 X Bar Ranch</li> <li>102 Treadwell Ranch</li> <li>103 Crockett County Interpretive Trail</li> <li>104 Escondido Draw</li> <li>105 Interpretive Trail</li> <li>106 Fort Lancaster Historic Site</li> <li>107 Jarrett Junco Ranch</li> </ol>  |
| <p><b>SAN LAGO RIVER LOOP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>81 Canyon Wren Ranch</li> <li>82 Fort Martin Scott</li> <li>83 A Getaway Ranch</li> <li>84 State Natural Area</li> <li>85 Dutch Mountain Ranch</li> </ol>   | <p><b>CONCHO LOOP</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>108 Hummer Hood</li> <li>109 Bat Bridge at Foster Road &amp; Loop 309</li> <li>110 San Angelo State Park</li> <li>111 River Corridor</li> <li>112 Summit Gardens</li> <li>113 Civic League Park</li> <li>114 Rio Concho Park</li> <li>115 Park Rock Escarpments</li> </ol>  |

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