

# HEART OF TEXAS EAST WILDLIFE TRAIL



## GUIDE TO USING THE MAP

The Great Texas Wildlife Trail - Heart of Texas East includes 15 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 traveled to see.

This publication contains an illustrated highway map of the Heart of Texas East that shows the 125 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 fifteen 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 contacts for additional information. The text, like 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.



Birding Trail Sign Marker  
Heart of Texas East (HOTE)

	Interstate		U.S. Highway
	State Highway		Alternate Route (U.S. Highway)
	State Loop or Spur		Park Road
	Farm or Ranch Road		Business Route (U.S. Highway)
	Texas Travel Information Center		Rest Area with Restrooms

One inch equals approximately 13.72 miles

## 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 \$13.8 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, "It'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)

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Texas Parks and Wildlife Information:  
(800) 792-1112 [www.tpwd.texas.gov](http://www.tpwd.texas.gov)

Trail Map Edits and Updates:  
(512) 389-8697 [www.tpwd.texas.gov/wildlifetrails](http://www.tpwd.texas.gov/wildlifetrails)

North American Rare Bird Alert: [www.narba.org](http://www.narba.org)

Texas Travel Information: [www.travelstx.com](http://www.travelstx.com)

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<b>BROWNWOOD LOOP</b>	47 Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center	<b>CIBOLO LOOP</b>	73 Chaco Nature Center
2 Colonial City Park	48 Hamilton Pool Preserve	79 Mystic Springs Wildlife Lodge	80 Boone Lake
3 Hovis Creek Lake	49 Westlake Preserve	81 America's Ranch-Frazzetta Farm	82 Soles Springs Wildlife Lodge
4 Memory Lake	49A Dropping Springs Ranch Park	83 Spanglers Springs Wildlife Lodge	84 Helmerich City Park
5 Pains Primitive Park	50 Pedernales Falls SP	85 Government Canyon SNA	86 Embury Albert Friedrich Wilderness Park
6 Star of Texas B&B	51 Texas Hills Vineyards	87 Elmendorf Park	88 Cibola Creek Ranch
7 Lake Brownwood Scenicway	52 Junction US 281 North and Pedernales River	89 Walnut Ranch Historical Landmark Park	90 McAllister Park
8 Lake Brownwood SP	53 LBJ National Historic Park	91 O.P. Schwab Park	92 Raymond Barlow Park
<b>REDBUD LOOP</b>	54 Tourism Office of Johnson City	93 Woodland Park	94 San Pedro Springs Park
10 Pflugdorf Ranch	55 LBJ SP and HS	95 Brighams Park	96 San Antonio Botanical Garden
11 Longfellow Ranch	<b>WIMBERLEY LOOP</b>	97 Olmos Basin Park East	98 Llaneta Valley Wildlife Refuge
<b>STYVE BLUFFS LOOP</b>	57 Barefoot Camp and RV Park	99 Southside Lone Park East	100 Balmora Lake Park
24 Balcones Canyonlands NWR	58 Sulphur Springs Camp	101 Bearfoot Lake Park	102 Mission Creek Aqueduct
25 Turkey Bend Recreation Area	59 Colorado Bend SP	103 Mission Creek Aqueduct	104 Mission Creek Aqueduct
26 Balcones Canyonlands NWR	60 Canyon of the Eagles	105 Mission Creek Aqueduct	106 Mission Creek Aqueduct
27 Headwaters	61 Canyon of the Eagles	107 Mission Creek Aqueduct	108 Mission Creek Aqueduct
28 Balcones Canyonlands NWR	62 Canyon of the Eagles	109 Mission Creek Aqueduct	110 Mission Creek Aqueduct
29 Wuester Vista and Sunset Deck	63 Canyon of the Eagles	111 Mission Creek Aqueduct	112 Mission Creek Aqueduct
30 800 White Park at Windy Point	64 Canyon of the Eagles	113 Mission Creek Aqueduct	114 Mission Creek Aqueduct
31 Crosscreek Park & Brewery Creek	65 Canyon of the Eagles	115 Mission Creek Aqueduct	116 Mission Creek Aqueduct
32 Good Water Trail	66 Canyon of the Eagles	117 Mission Creek Aqueduct	118 Mission Creek Aqueduct
33 George Lake	67 Canyon of the Eagles	119 Mission Creek Aqueduct	120 Mission Creek Aqueduct
<b>EAST AUSTIN LOOP</b>	68 Canyon of the Eagles	121 Mission Creek Aqueduct	122 Mission Creek Aqueduct
34 Bastrop and Blanche SPs	69 Canyon of the Eagles	123 Mission Creek Aqueduct	124 Mission Creek Aqueduct
35 McKinney Springs LONA Park	70 Canyon of the Eagles	125 Mission Creek Aqueduct	126 Mission Creek Aqueduct
36 Weber-Weber Life Weiberscher Park	71 Canyon of the Eagles	127 Mission Creek Aqueduct	128 Mission Creek Aqueduct
37 Lake Waterloo Long Hairy/Birds Bloodlands	72 Canyon of the Eagles	129 Mission Creek Aqueduct	130 Mission Creek Aqueduct
38 Haggardman Park	73 Canyon of the Eagles	131 Mission Creek Aqueduct	132 Mission Creek Aqueduct
39 Richard Moore Park	74 Canyon of the Eagles	133 Mission Creek Aqueduct	134 Mission Creek Aqueduct
40 McKinney Falls SP	75 Canyon of the Eagles	135 Mission Creek Aqueduct	136 Mission Creek Aqueduct
41 Roy G. Guerrero Park Sanctuary	76 Canyon of the Eagles	137 Mission Creek Aqueduct	138 Mission Creek Aqueduct
<b>CAPITOL LOOP</b>	77 Canyon of the Eagles	139 Mission Creek Aqueduct	140 Mission Creek Aqueduct
42 Ann W. Richards Bridge	78 Canyon of the Eagles	141 Mission Creek Aqueduct	142 Mission Creek Aqueduct
43 Lady Bird Lake	79 Canyon of the Eagles	143 Mission Creek Aqueduct	144 Mission Creek Aqueduct
44 Zilker Botanical Gardens/Austin Science & Nature Center	80 Canyon of the Eagles	145 Mission Creek Aqueduct	146 Mission Creek Aqueduct
45 Red Bud Lake	81 Canyon of the Eagles	147 Mission Creek Aqueduct	148 Mission Creek Aqueduct
46 Wild Basin Wilderness Preserve	82 Canyon of the Eagles	149 Mission Creek Aqueduct	150 Mission Creek Aqueduct

