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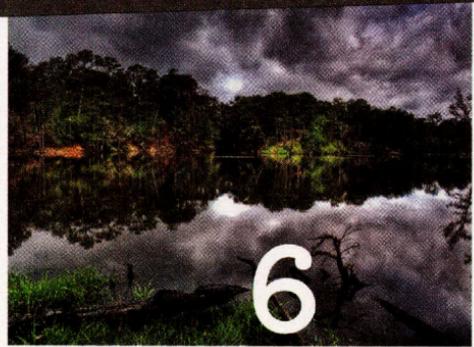


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WELCOME

Welcome to Texas State Parks!



from Brent Leisure, State Parks Director

Every year, millions of people from all over the world choose to spend their leisure time in the unique, historic and scenic places that make up our Texas State Park system. From the mile-high mountains of far West Texas, to the canyons of the Panhandle, to the countless miles of shoreline along our lakes and rivers, beaches and marshes of the Gulf Coast, few places offer the breadth of outdoor recreation we enjoy here in Texas.

This guide showcases more than 90 state parks and many of the wonderful recreation opportunities that Texas has to offer. If you would like additional information, let me also encourage you to visit www.texasstateparks.org, call our **Customer Service Center at (512) 389-8900**, or contact an individual park. Phone numbers are listed in the directory section of this guide.

It continues to be a part of our mission to maintain parks as affordable and family-friendly destinations. Our parks are operated by professional and knowledgeable staff members who are here to share the rich story that Texas has to tell about our natural and cultural heritage. In many parks, gear rentals and loaner equipment are also available to make your visit more enjoyable.

I encourage you to take an interpretive tour or attend a scheduled activity in one of our parks, so that when you leave, you'll take with you not only great memories, but also a deeper understanding of why our land, resources and history are so special. Thank you for choosing to spend time with us here in the Lone Star State, and on behalf of Texas Parks and Wildlife, we hope you enjoy your stay.

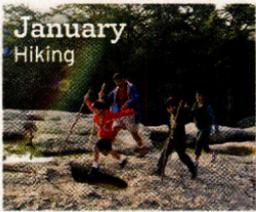
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Outdoor Activity of the Month

PLANNING
CALENDAR

Check out what's seasonally available and fun to do with your family at Texas State Parks. Many parks offer guided tours and events surrounding featured activities. Visit texasstateparks.org/activities to learn more.

January
Hiking



May
Picnicking



September
Geocaching



February
Biking



June
Fishing



October
History/Culture



March
Nature Viewing,
Photography



July
Paddling



November
Camping



April
Birding



August
Swimming



December
Holidays, Gatherings



Visitor Programs

Many state parks offer programs like the ones listed here. Ask the park you are visiting if it offers one of these programs, or plan ahead at texasstateparks.org

Archeological, Cultural or Historical Tours

Step through the doors of historic homes and inns, and imagine the lives of the people who inhabited these places. Explore the frontier forts that protected early Texans, and walk along the paths where the Buffalo Soldiers served. Visit the birthplace of Texas liberty, or historic battlegrounds. These tours will bring history to life!

Free Fishing and Go Fish!



Learn to Fish Events at Texas State Parks

As part of the Free Fishing in State Parks program you can fish at any state park without a fishing license! Or ask about Go Fish! events where families can learn the basics of fishing through fun, hands-on activities.

Ranger-led Programs

The experts at each park can help to make your time spent in nature more

rewarding. From birding, to learning about flowers and plants, photography workshops, to Junior Ranger programs, there are opportunities to learn more about your surroundings from the park rangers.



Stargazing

Texas is known for big dark skies, making it the perfect place to brush up on your constellations. Enjoy stargazing at any state park, or check the calendar online for other stargazing events and activities.

Texas Geocache Challenge



Geocaching is the hunt for any of more than 3 million items worldwide that have been purposely hidden to be discovered by other geocachers. Become a geocacher and join us in discovering hidden items while revealing

exciting facts and stories about Texas State Parks. Your adventure begins at texasstateparks.org/geocache

Texas Outdoor Family



These overnight workshops are hosted at state parks where your family receives hands-on experience in basic outdoor skills. You will learn everything you need to create great memories while enjoying the outdoors with your family, including: how to set up and break down camp (including your tent), fire starting, outdoor cooking, guided walks, nature activities, how to use a GPS, geocaching, and introductions to a wide range of outdoor activities (such as fishing, kayaking, or wildlife watching). Best of all, no experience is necessary and you get all the help and advice you need from highly skilled outdoor specialists and trained volunteers! Find out more at texasstateparks.org/tof

Day Trips

WHEN IT COMES TO ESCAPING THE CITY FOR A QUICK DAY TRIP OR A RELAXING WEEKEND, MANY STATE PARKS ARE RIGHT NEARBY.

Dallas/Fort Worth Area



Great water access at Cedar Hill SP.



Cedar Hill State Park

Located in the city limits of the metro suburb of Cedar Hill and inside Dallas County is an 1,800-acre park and nature preserve that sits along the shoreline of 7,500-acre Joe Pool Reservoir. With two large boat ramps and its own marina, Cedar Hill provides quick access to big water, but is quaint enough for a kayak. Cedar Hill is also a renowned biking park, with more than 15 miles of biking trails, and another 4.5 miles of

hiking trails. The park also boasts an impressive 355 developed campsites.

Cooper Lake State Park

Not far from the Metroplex to the east, Cooper Lake is located just north of I-30, near Sulphur Springs. The gateway to a 19,000-acre lake, the park offers miles of trails, a sandy beach and even cabins available for rent. Cooper is also considered a great fishing lake for largemouth and hybrid-striped bass.



Eisenhower SP offers access to 89,000-acre Lake Texoma north of DFW.

Eisenhower State Park

Not to be overlooked, Eisenhower State Park to the north near Denison is located on the huge, 74,000-acre Lake Texoma just up Highway 75 bordering the Texas-Oklahoma state line, and

is legendary for its water fun. The park also has its own marina and yacht club, and lots of hiking trails to boot.



Quarry Lake at Fort Richardson SP.

Fort Richardson State Park

Situated near a 385-surface-acre lake, Fort Richardson features a restored frontier outpost—circa 1860s and 1870s—in addition to its many recreational offerings.



Lake Mineral Wells SP and Trailway features a 645-acre reservoir.

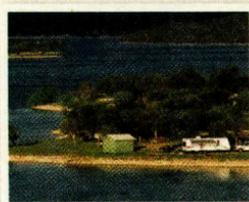
Lake Mineral Wells State Park

West of Fort Worth, Lake Mineral Wells offers an intimate lake environment at 645 surface acres of water which can make for some great fishing. The park offers miles of trails for hiking, horseback riding, numerous campsites and even rock climbing.

Lake Tawakoni State Park

One of the newest state park units in the DFW area,

Lake Tawakoni is located just outside the town of Wills Point (an hour east of Dallas). In its entirety, the reservoir covers 36,000 acres with some 200 miles of shoreline. The park rests on 376 acres and can make for a perfect day at the lake with its swim beach, a four-lane boat ramp and 40 picnic sites.



Lakeside camping at Possum Kingdom SP.

Possum Kingdom State Park

“Ol’ P.K.” remains almost folkloric to this region of Texas, and beckons anglers, boaters, even scuba divers to its 17,000-plus surface acres of clear, deep-blue expanse, as it has for more than 50 years. Visitors to Possum Kingdom State Park can also choose to camp or stay in one of the park’s seven cabins.

Purtis Creek State Park

For bass fishing, check out this 1,500-acre park, southeast of Dallas near Eustace. Although the lake is only 355 acres, the angling action—which is catch-and-release for bass—can be outstanding.

And since the lake is fully contained within the state park, no fishing license is needed to fish anywhere at Purtis Creek.



Fish from the bank, pier or boat at Purtis Creek SP.

Ray Roberts Lake State Park

“Ray Rob” is close enough to the metroplex to hit the water by lunchtime, and big enough to take the whole gang. With three park units, and five additional satellite park entry points, the sprawling park is located near the towns of Pilot Point and Sanger (about an hour to the north of DFW), and grants access from all sides to the 30,000 surface acres of fishing and skiing delight on this U.S. Army Corps of Engineers impoundment. The park has a marina, as well as overnight accommodations at Lantana Lodge. Or, camp if you want, in the more than 200 developed campsites.



Beautiful Lantana Lodge at Ray Roberts Lake SP.

Houston Area



Visitors enjoy great fishing and wildlife viewing at Brazos Bend SP.

Brazos Bend State Park

Less than 30 miles southwest of the Houston skyline, Brazos Bend seems a world away. A preserve for more than 300 adult American alligators and more than 1,000 less than 6 feet in length, the 5,000-acre park features several lakes for fishing, a visitor center, huge live oak trees, and more than 30 miles of multiuse trails in addition to its water and electric campsites, primitive sites and screened shelters.

Huntsville and Lake Livingston State Parks

To Houston's north, two pineywood retreats offer camping, hiking, horseback riding and great fishing. Huntsville has group facilities built by the Civilian Conservation Corps, while Livingston has a swimming pool and access to a giant 84,000-surface-acre reservoir.



Battleship TEXAS is the last remaining Dreadnought-type ship in the world.

San Jacinto Battleground and Battleship TEXAS State Historic Sites

Further to the southeast in La Porte, Battleship TEXAS and the San Jacinto Battleground stand as sentinels along the bay. Folks can tour the TEXAS—the only surviving Dreadnought to have served in World War I and World War II—as well as tour the famed battlefield site where Texas troops defeated Mexican forces under General Santa Anna in 1836.

Sheldon Lake State Park

Just east of Houston's downtown is Sheldon Lake, a unique day-use park that features a unique educational facility, opportunities for nature study, a reservoir, and great fishing ponds for kids.

Stephen F. Austin State Park

To the west just off Interstate 10, Stephen F. Austin, near Sealy, pays homage to the "Father of Texas," who established the first Anglo-American settlement in Texas in 1824. The park includes full-hookup campsites and the former town site of San Felipe, which was burned by the Texas army fleeing advancing Mexican troops in 1836.

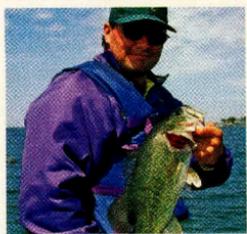
Village Creek State Park

Just north of Beaumont and east of Houston, Village Creek offers great paddling along the creek or hiking among the nearly 2,500 acres in the heart of the Old Texas Big Thicket. Enjoy primitive camping, water and electric campsites and even an eight-person cabin.



Village Creek SP is famous for paddling.

San Antonio Area



Choke Canyon SP offers world-class bass fishing.

Choke Canyon State Park

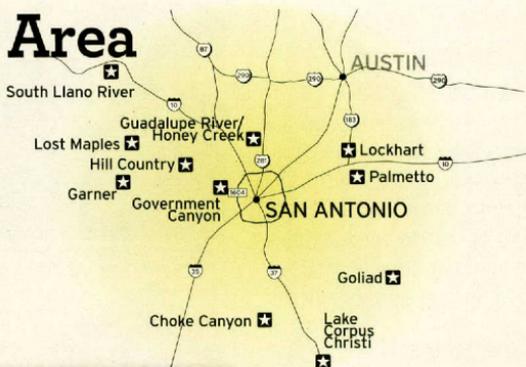
If it's big water you want, head south to Choke Canyon near Three Rivers, located on the shore of a 26,000-acre reservoir. Choke Canyon routinely rates as one of the best largemouth bass lakes anywhere in Texas.

Garner State Park

Despite its somewhat remote location near the small town of Leakey, Garner is one of the most frequently visited state parks in Texas. For decades it has been considered great for camping, swimming, tubing and kayaking—and don't forget the famous Garner State Park dance during warm summer evenings.

Goliad State Park

A little farther to the southeast, Goliad preserves rich Texas history and the landmark Mission Espíritu Santo, near the historic



Goliad SP's Mission Espíritu Santo, beautifully reconstructed, provides visitors with history and outdoor recreation.

Fannin Battleground site and Zaragoza Birthplace State Historic Site. The park also features a swimming pool and campsites near the San Antonio River.



Government Canyon State Natural Area has more than 40 miles of scenic trails.

Government Canyon State Natural Area

Just a stone's throw beyond northwest San Antonio's Loop 1604, in Helotes, is a premier hike-and-bike day-use park. With more than 8,600

acres and more than 40 miles of trails, this rugged park also protects some of the precious Edwards Aquifer recharge zone.



Scenery, fishing and tubing are great at Guadalupe River SP.

Guadalupe River State Park

Guadalupe River State Park is located north up Hwy. 281 between Boerne and New Braunfels. The park stretches along four scenic miles of the Guadalupe River—long considered the premier place for summertime tubing in Texas. **Honey Creek State Natural Area** is located adjacent to the park. With its huge bald cypress trees, it is accessible only through guided tours, and preserves more than 2,000 acres of pristine woods.

Lake Corpus Christi State Park

This 18,000-acre lake sits just outside of Mathis. Great for camping, boating and fishing, Lake Corpus Christi also offers screened shelters in addition to water and electric hookup campsites.

Lockhart State Park

Just outside the town of Lockhart, the quaint park features a swimming pool, golf course and CCC-built group facilities.



Find great hiking trails at CCC-built Palmetto SP.

Palmetto State Park

Near the towns of Luling and Gonzales, Palmetto State Park—named for the unique dwarf palmetto plants which give the park a tropical, almost

Jurassic feel—beckons with access to the San Marcos River, and is located just downstream from the Luling Zedler Mill Paddling Trail. The park is also great for wildlife viewing and has miles of renovated and boardwalk trails.

South Llano River State Park

Farther out west is another tubing hot spot, South Llano River State Park, located along the river just off Interstate 10, near Junction.

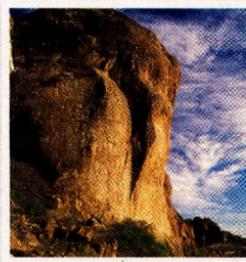
El Paso Area

Franklin Mountains State Park

Within El Paso's city limits is the nation's largest park within an urban environment, at more than 26,627 acres. The Franklin Mountains overlook the Rio Grande border along the historic Paso del Norte, and this desert mountain park features miles and miles of multi-use trails.

Hueco Tanks State Park and Historic Site

About 30 miles northeast of El Paso lies some of the best rock climbing anywhere in the Southwest, as well as amazingly well preserved rock art pictographs. Hueco Tanks is named for the large pockets of rainwater found

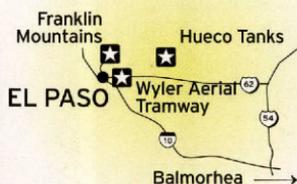


Hueco Tanks SP and SHS offers great rock climbing and amazingly preserved rock art dating back thousands of years.

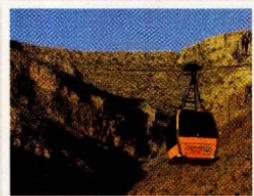
among the rock basins, called "huecos." In addition to great interpretive history tours, visitors can also enjoy hiking and camping. Access is controlled to ensure that these valuable resources are protected.

Wyler Aerial Tramway

High atop Ranger Peak inside Franklin Mountains State Park, folks can take a four-minute ride in unique,



Swiss-made cable cars, called sky gondolas, traversing 2,600 feet and overlooking a steep canyon more than 200 feet below. From the peak, visitors get an unobstructed view for 7,000 square miles that encompasses three states and two countries.



Inside Franklin Mountains SP, the Wyler Aerial Tramway provides visitors a unique view high above the El Paso area while riding in sky gondolas.

Austin Area

Bastrop and Buescher State Parks

To the east of Austin, along Hwy. 71, Bastrop and Buescher state parks beckon to road bikers, campers, anglers and those just wanting a quick getaway amid the lost pine forests. Both parks feature group facilities built by the Civilian Conservation Corps, fishing ponds and miles of hiking trails.



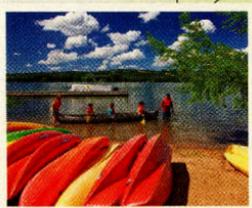
Swim or fish near the falls at Blanco SP.

Blanco State Park

This favorite summer retreat, located on Hwy. 281 near the town of Blanco, is dissected by the Blanco River. This is the perfect place to swim, tube, fish or just relax under the trees.

Inks Lake State Park

This popular stop located west of Austin, just off Hwy. 281 near Burnet along the Colorado River's famed Highland Lakes chain, is renowned for clear, open water, scenic



Canoe rental at Inks Lake SP

landscapes, wildflowers and more than 200 campsites and cabins. At 830 surface acres, Inks Lake is big enough for most any watercraft, yet small enough to allow for quiet canoe trips below its granite cliffs.

Lake Somerville State Park

Just beyond the town of Giddings and northeast of Austin, the park features more than 11,000 surface acres of open water. The Nails Creek Unit is prime for trail biking and equestrian use with 13 miles of trailway that connects to the Birch Creek Unit.

McKinney Falls State Park

McKinney Falls State Park is near the heart of every-

thing in Austin. Located on the city's southeast side, it's within the city limits, yet it seems miles away. With its paved and unpaved hiking trails, scenic creeks and waterfalls, and even an ancient volcano and historic Native American rock shelter, there's something for everyone.



River access and lots of trails at Pedernales Falls SP.

Pedernales Falls State Park

Located near Johnson City off Hwy. 290, the park encompasses 5,200 acres of tree-covered hills, and access to the Pedernales River. "P-falls" is also popular with birders, who can use the park's birding blinds to look for the rare golden-cheeked warbler.

Rio Grande Valley Area



Brilliantly colored green jays can be seen in any of the Rio Grande Valley state parks.

Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park

As headquarters for the World Birding Center network, Bentsen-RGV State Park's 750-plus acres also represent a significant remnant of the ever-vanishing riparian floodplain forest land that once covered this fertile region of Texas. Known for birds like plain chachalacas and colorful green jays that frequent the park, it also has primitive tent camping, miles of hike and bike trails, and a two-story high hawk tower. The headquarters facility boasts an interpretive museum, butterfly habitat garden and a fantastic state park store.

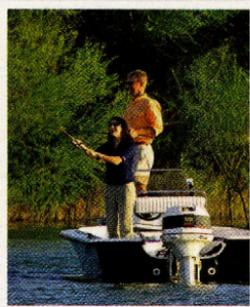
Estero Llano Grande State Park

Located in Weslaco and at the geographic center of the Rio Grande Valley network, this park features preserved



Trails meander through the scenic wetlands of Estero Llano Grande SP.

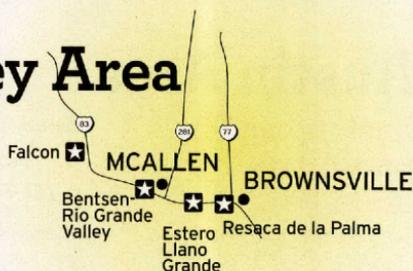
wetlands habitat in a more urban location. Many diverse bird species can be spotted along the park's numerous boardwalks and three miles of trails. The park also features two lodges for groups.



Falcon SP is widely recognized for its fishing, especially for largemouth bass.

Falcon State Park

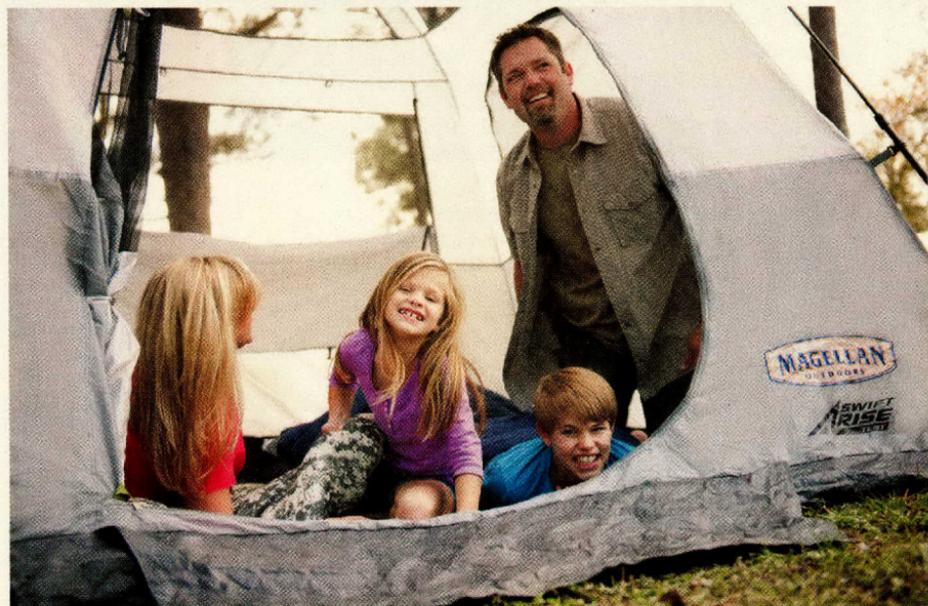
Considered the westernmost edge of the Rio Grande Valley, the state park consists of more than 500 acres of parkland along Falcon International Reservoir—a huge, 60-mile-



long impoundment of more than 95,000 surface acres formed by a dam along the Rio Grande border with Mexico. The park offers a wide range of developed campsites with fire rings, and screened shelters with and without air conditioning. Most notably, Falcon State Park offers access to some of the most renowned largemouth bass fishing in the southwestern United States.

Resaca de la Palma State Park

The newest and largest state park component of the World Birding Center, Resaca is only minutes outside of Brownsville. Named for the shallow oxbow ponds once formed by Rio Grande flooding, the park has wetland environments—attracting shorebird and waterfowl species such as black-bellied whistling ducks and herons—as well as traditional South Texas scrub brush, which attracts everything from roadrunners to long-billed thrashers. The park also has hike-and-bike trails for day use.



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Pack it Up

Ensure that you and your group have the essentials to make your visit as enjoyable, comfortable and safe as possible.



Shelter and Bedding

- tent and poles
- tarp
- sleeping bag
- sleeping pad
- headrest

Clothes

- t-shirts
- shorts
- jeans/pants
- socks
- hiking boots
- camp shoes
- hat/cap
- sweater
- rain poncho
- underwear
- swim suit
- laundry bag

Personal Hygiene

- toothbrush & tooth paste
- wash rag(s)
- towel(s)
- soap
- comb/brush
- nail clippers
- razor
- toilet paper

First Aid Kit

- personal medication
- bandages
- aspirin or pain reliever
- medical tape
- sterile gauze
- elastic wrap
- antiseptic wipes
- antibiotic cream

- bum ointment
- sunburn lotion
- hydrogen peroxide
- scissors
- tweezers
- eye wash
- sanitary napkins
- shower bag
- sun block

Cleaning Items

- broom/whisk broom
- dust pan
- dish pan
- detergent
- dish rags
- pot scrubber

Cooking & Dining

- water
- food
- cooler
- camp stove
- fire starter
- bottle opener
- can opener
- charcoal
- salt, herbs, spices
- cooking oil
- pot holders
- paper towels
- napkins
- plastic trash bags
- tongs and spatula
- aluminum foil
- measuring cups
- plastic silverware
- paper plates/bowls
- plastic cups

- zip lock bags
- knives
- cutting board
- cork screw
- charcoal chimney
- smoker
- Dutch oven
- hot dog sticks
- chairs
- folding table
- table cloth
- butane lighter
- screen room

Miscellaneous Items

- binoculars
- bird guide
- bug spray
- bungee cords
- camera
- candles
- cards, games
- cell phone
- clothes pins
- compass
- duct tape
- firewood (*sold in many state park stores*)
- fishing gear
- flashlight
- GPS
- knife
- lantern
- matches
- pen and paper
- rope
- tools
- water filters
- whistle

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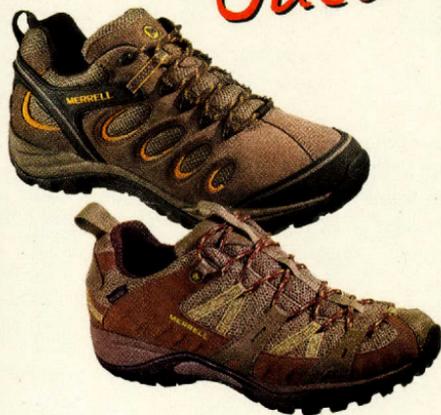
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Enjoy the Softer Side of Camping

No matter what your idea of "roughing it" in the outdoors might be, Texas State Parks feature a variety of softer accommodations.



Indian Lodge

Lodges

To many folks, having a lodge or hotel in a wilderness setting is about as good as it gets. Lodges in Texas State Parks boast unique features and charm, letting you experience the best of outdoor recreation during the day while enjoying indoor comforts at night.

Indian Lodge, located inside Davis Mountains State Park, is a historic, full-service lodge with a restaurant and swimming pool. Built by the CCC in the 1930s, all 39 rooms have been fully restored and it remains a shining star in our park system.

Lantana Lodge, located inside Ray Roberts Lake State Park north of the

DFW Metroplex near Denton, is a full-service lodge, restaurant and marina on the shores of a 30,000-acre reservoir. It is just far enough from city life to be a great retreat spot, and close enough for easy access to town.



Retro-style hotel at Balmorhea SP.

San Solomon Courts are located inside Balmorhea State Park. The retro-style rooms and architecture of the 18-room facility make for a unique getaway in a park developed by the CCC next to the world's largest natural swimming

pool. Rooms feature two or three double beds and some also have kitchens.



One-of-a-kind desert mountain scenery and comfort of the Big House at Big Bend Ranch SP.

Nestled in the one-of-a-kind scenic backdrop of the desert mountains in Big Bend Ranch State Park is "The Big House." This renovated, historic ranch house has three bedrooms and baths available for rent. Advanced arrangements can make for food service as well.

Cabins

Cabins remain one of the most popular attractions in our parks, for both outdoor enthusiasts and those who want a secluded getaway with lots of indoor comfort. Our cabins, many of which were built by the Civilian Conservation Corps, feature air-conditioning and heat, bedrooms, kitchens, microwaves and restrooms.

State parks with cabins:

Bastrop, Caddo Lake, Cooper Lake, Daingerfield, Garner, Lake Brownwood, Palo Duro Canyon, Martin Creek Lake, Possum Kingdom, Village Creek

Limited service cabins and modified shelters

A growing trend is to have the benefit of a cabin—air conditioning, microwave and bunk beds—but still have group restroom facilities and showers nearby. These are competitively priced and offer a great way to be in a park as a group.

State parks with limited service cabins and modified shelters:

Buescher, Choke Canyon, Cooper Lake, Falcon, Inks Lake, Lake Bob Sandlin, Lake Colorado City, Lake Corpus Christi, Martin Creek Lake, Martin Dies, Jr., Tyler, Palmetto, Palo Duro Canyon, San Angelo

Group bunkhouses

If you need group accommodations, some of our parks can offer barracks and bunkhouses, ranging in styles and sizes. Most have air-conditioning and restrooms, as well as beds, although linens may be needed. They're great for family reunions or large gatherings.

State parks with group bunkhouse facilities:

Bastrop, Big Bend Ranch, Bonham, Cleburne, Daingerfield, Devils River State Natural Area, Estero Llano Grande, Fort Parker, Hill Country State Natural Area, Lake Brownwood

Screened shelters

For some, the idea of having a screened shelter



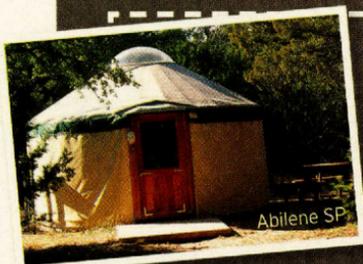
Beautiful, CCC-built Rim Cabins at Palo Duro Canyon SP.

with walls, and a fire ring, picnic table and grill outside is the perfect combination. You get a near-camping experience by allowing the sights and sounds of the outdoors in, but protection from the outside elements under a roof. They're also great for tossing a mattress on the inside floor.

State parks that offer screened shelters:

Abilene, Blanco, Brazos Bend, Buescher, Caddo Lake, Cleburne, Eisenhower, Falcon, Fort Parker, Fort Richardson, Garner, Goliad, Huntsville, Lake Bob Sandlin, Lake Brownwood, Lake Corpus Christi, Lake Livingston, Lake Mineral Wells, Lake Whitney, Martin Dies, Jr., Martin Creek Lake, McKinney Falls, Meridian, Stephen F. Austin, Tyler

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It's a Yurt

Found in Abilene State Park, these recent additions to the park system are actually an ancient-style canvas tent with a floor and furniture. Each yurt has a double/single bunk bed with mattresses, fold-out sofa, a microwave and a night stand. Outside is a picnic table, fire ring and water spigot.

Meet the Locals

While out and about experiencing Texas State Parks, you might encounter some of the local residents—the four-legged, finned, feathered and furry ones, that is.

Prairies and Lakes Region



Bobcat

This shy-natured, mostly nocturnal cat has small tufts on the tips of its ears. The bobcat's ability to adapt to changing conditions has allowed this native cat species to thrive even in landscapes near urban areas.



Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

This bird is unmistakable with a tail that doubles its body length. It feeds mainly on insects by "hawking," waiting on a perch and flying out to catch them in flight.

Big Bend Region

Gray Fox

This elusive, mostly nocturnal mammal has a unique ability to climb trees to hunt or escape danger.



Javelina

This small, pig-like animal has a white ring around its neck, where it gets its proper name—collared peccary.

Gulf Coast Region

Bottlenose Dolphin

You may see one of these curious and intelligent animals leaping offshore or swimming in the bay near Mustang Island or Goose Island state parks.



South Texas Plains Region

Greater Roadrunner

An icon of the U.S. Southwest, this swift, cartoon-like bird gets its name because it often prefers to run rather than fly, whether chasing down food such as small reptiles (snakes and lizards) or fleeing from danger.



Pineywoods Region



Beaver

This sleek, streamlined swimmer assures its water supply and establishes its territory by building a dam and home of mud, rocks and wood.



Hill Country Region

Porcupine

These shy and even docile rodents eat tree bark, are excellent tree climbers, and are known mostly for their sharp quill-tipped, bushy hair. Give them space from you and your pets.



Wild Turkey

This large upland game bird lives in tree-studded or brushy areas, often near streams and rivers, and although it roosts in the tops of tall trees, it nests on the ground.



Woodpeckers

The red-headed woodpecker is striking at rest and in flight, with its colors of red, black and white. Also look for the red crest and black body of the pileated woodpecker, one of the largest woodpeckers in North America.

Panhandle Plains Region

Mule Deer

Found mostly in West and Northwest Texas, this hearty, hoofed animal will often seem to “hop” on all fours for a quick escape, rather than run.



Black-tailed Prairie Dog

Look for their homes: large, bare patches of open ground with colonies of small dirt mounds atop their burrows, called “prairie dog towns.”



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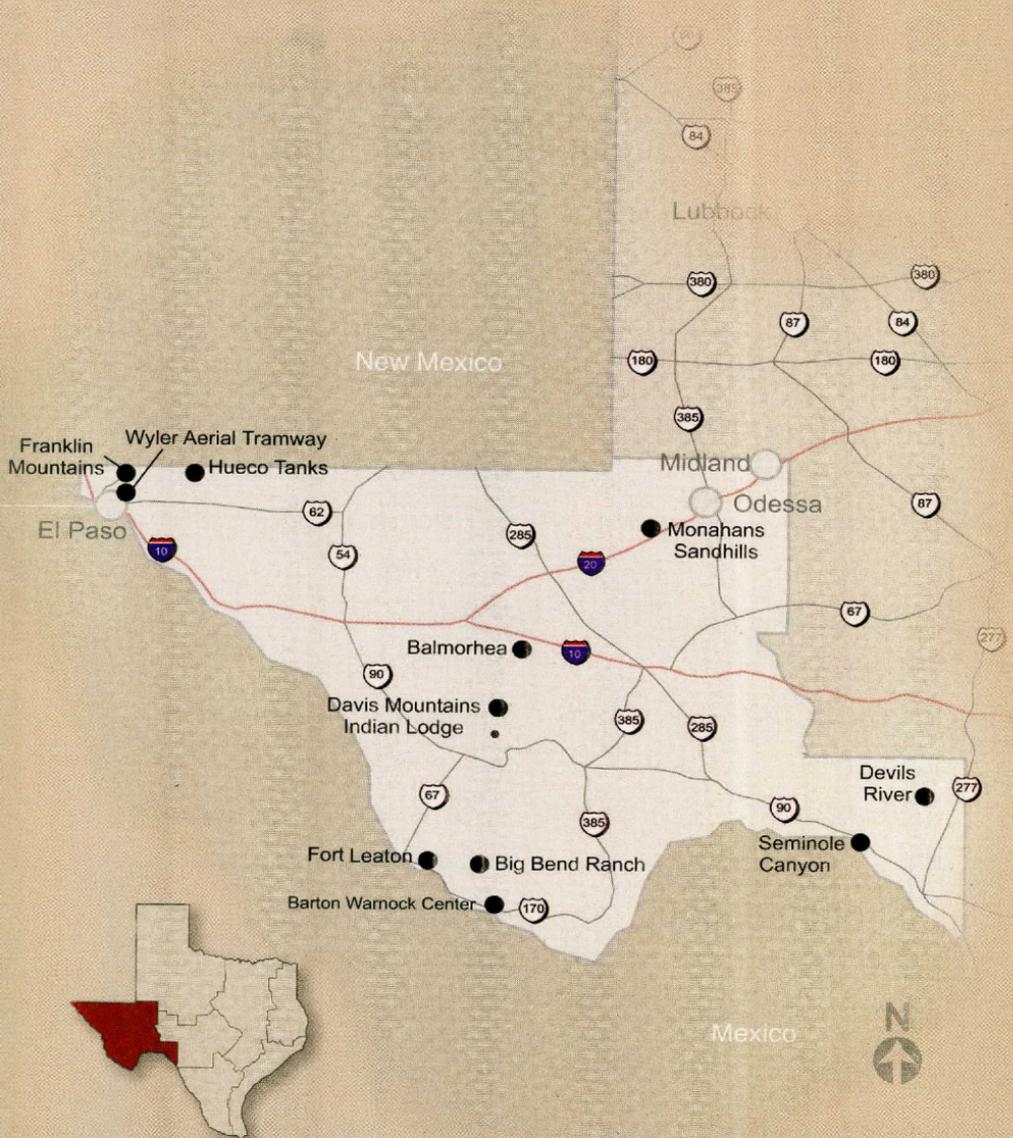
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BIG BEND COUNTRY



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Barton Warnock Visitor Center

HC 70, Box 375, Terlingua 79852 📞 (432) 424-3327

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This modern visitor center showcases the Chihuahuan Desert with an English/Spanish bilingual exhibit called “Una Tierra - One Land,” while a two-acre botanical garden outside brings this desert story to life. Five biological landscapes converge in this vast desert that stretches from Texas into Mexico

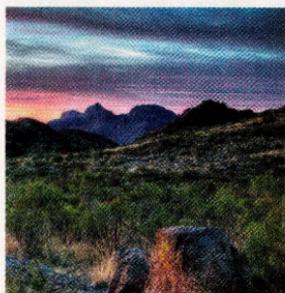
and reveals 570 million years of geological change. Shop the bookstore or just enjoy a cool break indoors. 📶

Big Bend Ranch State Park

1900 Saucedo Ranch Road, Presidio 79845

P.O. Box 2319, Presidio 79845 📞 (432) 358-4444

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Deep in the mountainous desert wilderness, a 311,000-plus-acre park opens a spectacular landscape to the public. With more than 50 recently developed, primitive campsites and over 200 miles of multi-use trails, Big Bend Ranch State Park has become a premier destination for mountain biking, horseback riding, remote back-country camping, and 4x4 vehicle use. Drive into the park over a 27-mile gravel road that leads through rugged terrain and ends at the former owner’s ranch headquarters at Saucedo. Make reservations to stay in the old ranch house known as the “Big House,” where you can use the kitchen or prearrange for meals featuring regional cuisine. Larger groups can be accommodated at the casual bunkhouse, with separate sleeping areas for men and women. 📶 (Saucedo area)

Davis Mountains State Park

P.O. Box 1707, Fort Davis 79734 📞 (432) 426-3337

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Soothing breezes weaving through the mountain passes greet you on the drive to Davis Mountains State Park in the heart of the Davis Mountains, the most extensive mountain range fully contained in Texas. Find the coolest place in a hot state when you camp in mountains one mile high inside this park built by the CCC. Motor into a full hook-up site (all with cable TV), backpack to a high overlook or make camp under the trees, or check out Indian Lodge, located inside the park. While you're here, visit nearby Fort Davis National Historic Site or attend a "star party" at the McDonald Observatory, where you can see the stars through giant telescopes. 📶

Devils River State Natural Area

HC 01, Box 513, Del Rio 78840 📞 (830) 395-2133

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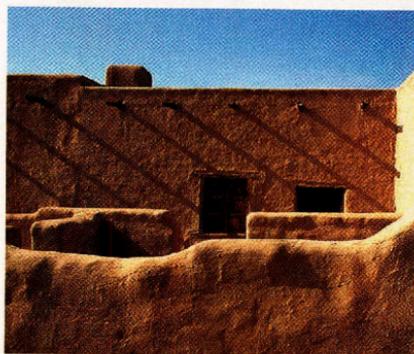
Fed by clear springs flowing from seeps and streams within the region's karst topography, the Devils River is one of the most ecologically intact rivers in Texas, giving life to diverse plants and wildlife. The State Natural Area's large size and remoteness support day hiking, mountain-biking, horseback riding, and guided rock-art and bat-flight tours by appointment. Advance preparation

is a must, as all camping and facility stays are by reservation only, and all reservations must be made at least one day in advance. A permit is required for all paddling trips on the Devils River which access TPWD-managed lands. For more information about the Devils River Access Permit (DRAP), please visit the park page online.

Fort Leaton State Historic Site

P.O. Box 2319, Presidio 79845 📞 (432) 229-3613

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Picnic at this 1848 adobe fortress and trading post on a bluff overlooking the Rio Grande where Ben Leaton dominated trade with the Apaches, Comanches and Mexicans. Today the site is an active museum offering audiovisual programs, reenactments, tours and colorful events. This is the western gateway to Big Bend Ranch State Park. Enjoy the holidays with the annual reenacted *posadas* in December. 📶

Kids play free!



Admission to Texas State Parks is free every day for kids age 12 and younger (no extra charge for fresh air, sunshine and laughter).

It's more affordable than going to the movies, amusement parks or buying video games, and much better for your nerves.



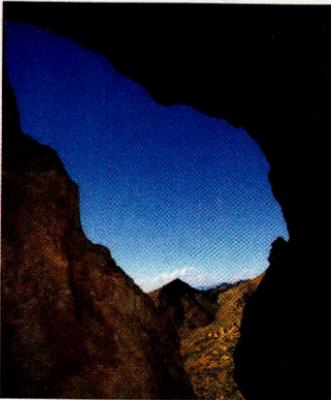
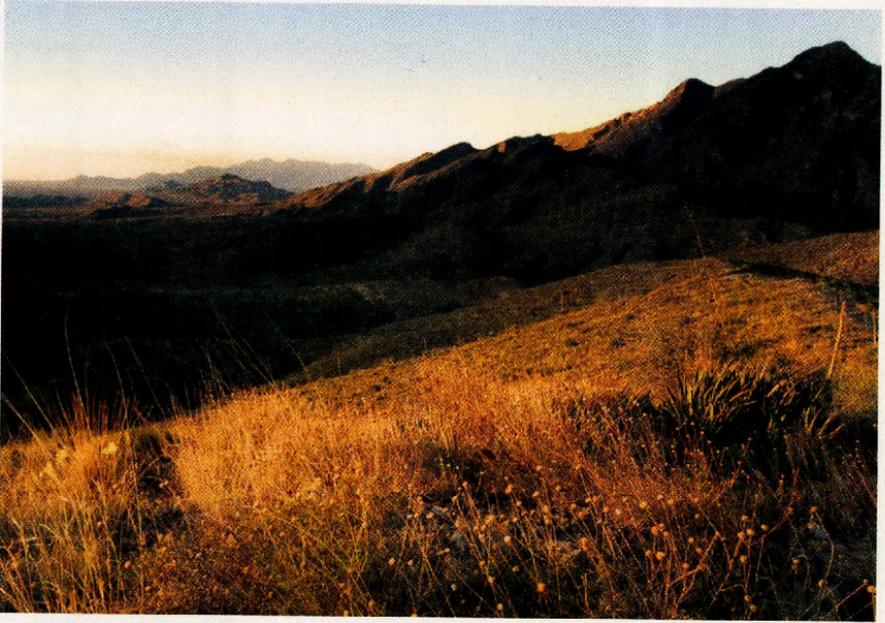
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Franklin Mountains State Park

1331 McKelligon Canyon Road, El Paso 79930 📞 (915) 566-6441

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At the westernmost tip of Texas, where the mountains meet the sky and cities hug the Rio Grande, Texas lies the largest state park in an urban setting. Franklin Mountains State Park encompasses 26,627 acres in the city of El Paso. Hike rugged terrain in 40 square miles of Chihuahuan desert wilderness, scrub vegetation and open space with 135 miles of multiuse trails that are especially popular with mountain bikers. Camp and picnic, too. While ground fires are not allowed, charcoal fires can be built in grills at the picnic sites.

B I G B E N D C O U N T R Y

Indian Lodge State Park

P.O. Box 1707, Fort Davis 79734 📞 (432) 426-3254

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Nestled in the Davis Mountains, within Davis Mountains State Park, this southwestern, pueblo style adobe lodge charms with its original handcrafted interiors and furnishings dating from its 1930s construction by the CCC. In addition to the guest rooms with cable TV, telephones and private baths, the lodge has a full-service restaurant, a group meeting room and a swimming pool, making this truly a unique destination in a mountain setting. 📶

Monahans Sandhills State Park

P.O. Box 1738, Monahans 79756 📞 (432) 943-2092

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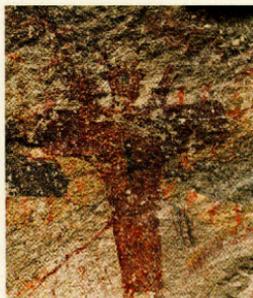


Fun-loving travelers surf the sand dunes that rise as high as 70 feet in this geologic wonderland. These sand dunes are only a small part of a larger 200-square-mile dune field that stretches into New Mexico. Rent sand disks, then visit exhibits that explain the dune dynamics and desert wildlife. Picnicking and camping are also popular at this park, located off I-20 west of Odessa, just east of the town of Monahans.

Seminole Canyon State Park and Historic Site

P.O. Box 820, Comstock 78837 📞 (432) 292-4464

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Ancient pictographs, rugged limestone terrain and spectacular canyons lure visitors to Seminole Canyon State Park and Historic Site. People of antiquity once lived in these natural rock shelters carved into the canyon walls. They painted distinctive ancient symbols that tell us of their passing. The park contains rock art dated more than 4,000 years old and considered to be some of North America's oldest. Visitors can hike the rugged landscape, take a guided tour into the canyons to see the renowned pictographs in Fate Bell Shelter, camp in a tent or RV, or learn more inside the park's interpretive museum. Seminole Canyon has many stories to tell. Guided rock art tours are available Wednesdays through Sundays at 10 a.m and 3 p.m. (times may vary during the summer months). Contact the park for more information. 📶

B I G B E N D C O U N T R Y

Wyler Aerial Tramway

1700 McKinley, El Paso 79930 📞 (915) 566-6622

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Glide to the top of Ranger Peak inside Franklin Mountains State Park in an airborne Swiss gondola. From a mile-high seat in the sky, see Mexico, New Mexico and the City of El Paso unfold below you. Souvenirs, snacks, books and gifts are available at the Observation Deck on top. After dark, catch the panorama of El Paso and its gold- and silver-hued lights against a dramatic desert backdrop. 📶

Fort Lancaster State Historic Site

P.O. Box 306, Sheffield 79781 📞 (432) 836-4391

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Magoffin Home State Historic Site

1120 Magoffin Avenue, El Paso 79901 📞 (915) 533-5147

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

STATE PARK VISITOR FEES

During a normal park visit, one or all of these fees may apply:

Entrance Fee - a fee paid for day use that includes the opportunity to enjoy such activities as picnicking, wildlife viewing, hiking, swimming, boating, canoeing, fishing, tubing or participating in various park programs. Admission to Texas State Parks is free for kids 12 and under.

Facility Fee - a fee paid to stay overnight at a campsite, in a cabin or guest room, or to use a group facility, meeting room or pavilion.

Activity Fee - a fee paid to participate in a special activity, tour a historic site, or ride the ferry or tram.



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You can pay no entrance fees and get unlimited visits to more than 90 state parks for you and your carload of guests (good for 12 months). Plus get discounts on camping, park store merchandise and more. Each pass is \$70, or a two-pass card option is available for \$95.

Parklands Passport "Bluebonnet Pass"

The Texas Legislature has developed a passport program for qualifying seniors, persons with disabilities and disabled U.S. veterans. Individuals who qualify for this pass must present proof of qualifying benefit at any state park office to receive the Parklands Passport that entitles them to receive discounted or free entry to state parks where entrance fees are collected. The Parklands Passport is free and available only to those who qualify.

Note: The State of Texas does not recognize the annual pass programs of other state parks systems or pass programs of the National Park Service.

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* For same-day reservations, please contact the park directly.

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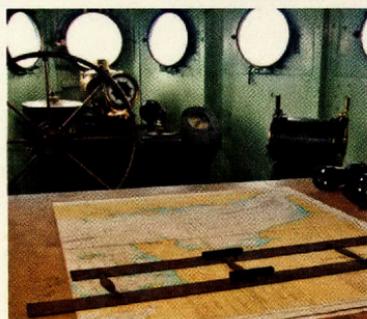


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Battleship TEXAS State Historic Site

3523 Independence Parkway South, La Porte 77571 📞 (281) 479-2431

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Located at San Jacinto Battleground, Battleship TEXAS is the last surviving Dreadnought-type ship in the world and is the only remaining battleship to have served in both World Wars. When she was commissioned in 1914, the vessel was considered the most advanced military weapon on the planet. During her service, TEXAS was modernized many times with the latest in cutting-edge technology and was the first U.S. battleship to launch an aircraft, mount anti-aircraft batteries and have radar installed.

Brazos Bend State Park

21901 F.M. 762, Needville 77461 📞 (979) 553-5101

GPS Latitude N 29 22 15.16 | Longitude W 95 37 54.58



Named one of America's top state parks by National Geographic Traveler Magazine, this park includes almost 5,000 acres of lakes, prairies and bottomland hardwood forests. Areas of huge live oak trees draped in Spanish moss provide shade to the park's three day-use areas. Thirty-five miles of multi-use trails, spanning a diverse ecology,

offer visitors prime viewing of alligators, whitetail deer and more than 300 species of birds. Three small lakes and a winding, tree-lined creek offer places to fish. Touch a "baby" alligator at the park's nature center, which is open daily. Nature programs are offered every weekend and most holidays. The George Observatory is also located within the park and has four large telescopes for star parties on Saturday nights. 📶

Galveston Island State Park

14901 F.M. 3005, Galveston 77554 📞 (409) 737-1222

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Galveston Island SP experienced extensive hurricane damage in 2008. Camping and day use have been restored to both the beach side and bay side. Both areas have restroom facilities, and the beach side also has tables, grills and showers. Plans are to eventually rebuild a redesigned Galveston Island State Park.

Goose Island State Park

202 S. Palmetto St., Rockport 78382 📞 (361) 729-2858

GPS Latitude N 28 08 00.67 | Longitude W 96 59 03.44



Brown pelicans, rare whooping cranes and fishing in the bountiful waters of Aransas, Copano and St. Charles Bays draw visitors to Texas' first coastal state park. Protected from coastal storms, the park is located on the southern tip of the Lamar Peninsula and is dominated by dramatic wind-sculpted trees and is home to the "Big Tree," a massive coastal live oak estimated to be more than 1,000 years old and one of the natural wonders of Texas. Goose Island features camping areas overlooking Aransas Bay or beneath the shade of live oak groves. 📶

Lake Corpus Christi State Park

P.O. Box 1167, Mathis 78368 📞 (361) 547-2635

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Swimming, boating, waterskiing and sailboarding fill summer hours on this large placid lake, while angling for black bass, striped bass, crappie and catfish are year-round pleasures. The CCC built an impressive caliche crete open-air refectory with arched walls and a tower that affords excellent views over the lake.

Lipantitlan State Historic Site

Day use only, c/o Lake Corpus Christi State Park. 📞 (361) 547-2635

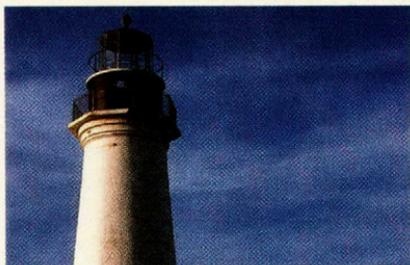
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Named for the Lipan Apache and the 1835 battle between Texian insurgents and the Mexican Army, this historic site also offers picnicking and nature study.

Port Isabel Lighthouse State Historic Site

421 East Queen Isabella Blvd., Port Isabel 78578 📞 (956) 943-2262

GPS Latitude N 26.077918 | Longitude W -97.207293



This coastal “light” was built in 1852 in response to requests from sea captains for help in navigating around the low-lying Texas coast. Technology changes, the coming of the railroad and the consequent drop in commercial shipping made lighthouses obsolete. At one time there were 16 lighthouses on the Texas coast. Now, now only one of the historic structures is open to the public. A museum, a replica of the lighthouse keeper’s cottage and picnic tables sit in the shadow of the 72-foot-high tower, which is operated by the City of Port Isabel.

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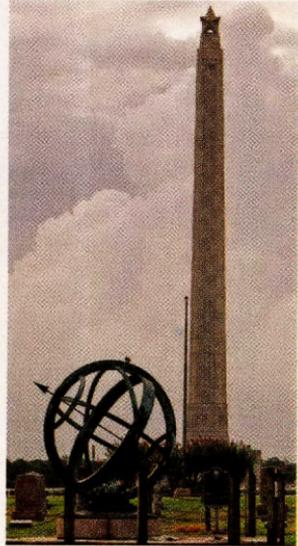
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San Jacinto Battleground-Monument

State Historic Site

3523 Independence Parkway South, La Porte 77571 📞 (281) 479-2431

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The San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site preserves the proud history of the state of Texas and the United States. The battle of San Jacinto, fought here on April 21, 1836, secured independence from Mexico. This site's National Historic Landmark status attests to the battle's importance to state, national and international history.

Visit the battleground, and follow a trail and boardwalk through a wetland where native prairie grasses, marshes and bottomland forests are being restored to their 1836 appearance to provide habitat for a variety of wildlife. Tour the 570-foot-tall San Jacinto Monument, the tallest stone column memorial structure in the world, 15 feet taller than the Washington Monument in Washington, DC. 📶

Sea Rim State Park

19335 S Gulfway Drive, Sabine Pass 77655 📞 (409) 971-2559

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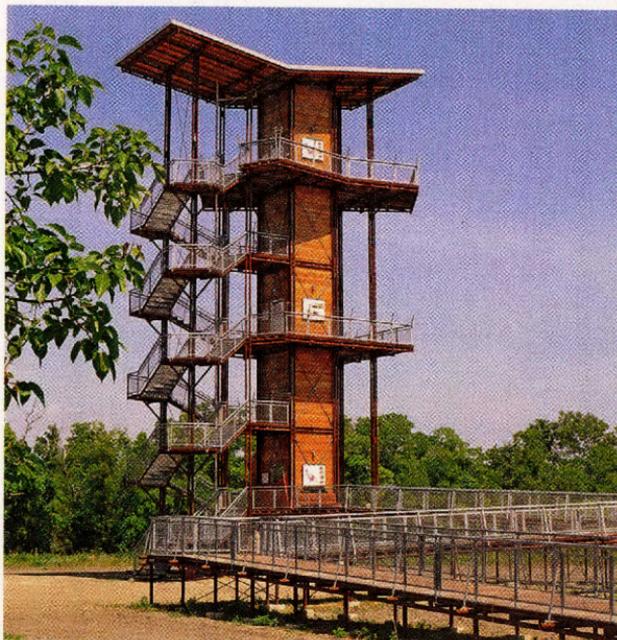


“Sea Rim” refers to the portion of coastal shoreline where marsh grass and wetlands intersect with the gulf surf waters, an area in southeast Texas formed by silt deposits from the Sabinal River delta. Fishing, birding, nature study and other day-use recreation activities are popular along the more than 4,000 acres and five miles of Gulf of Mexico beach. Although the park is still rebuilding following hurricane damage a few years ago, much of it has been redeveloped and opened to the public, including a new west dune boardwalk, a primitive beach camping area with 75 designated tent campsites and the Gambusia nature trail. Other facilities such as a cabin, RV campsite loop and dump station are being planned and set to come online soon.

Sheldon Lake State Park and Environmental Learning Center

15315 Beaumont Hwy., Houston 77049 📞 (281) 456-2800

GPS Latitude N 29 51 28.04 | Longitude W 95 09 36.90



Only 15 miles from downtown Houston, this 3,200-acre “green and blue island” is surrounded by the highways, railroads and industry of the Bayou City. Sheldon lake provides excellent wildlife viewing, paddling and fishing. Open for day use, the Environmental Learning Center features a fish hatchery “gone wild” plus wheelchair-accessible trails and LEED-certified facilities demonstrating “green architecture” and alternative energy at work. This outdoor classroom for all ages provides programming for schools, groups and individuals by reservation. Free catch-and-release fishing is permitted on weekends at two stocked ponds. Finally, don’t miss taking a bird’s-eye view of Sheldon Lake and the restored prairie and wetlands from the John Jacob Observation Tower. 📶

Fulton Mansion State Historic Site

317 Fulton Beach Rd., Rockport 78382 ☎ (361) 729-0386

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Lake Houston Wilderness Park

25840 Farm-To-Market Road 1485, New Caney 77357 ☎ (281) 354-6881

Operated by the City of Houston Parks and Recreation Department.

Sabine Pass Battleground State Historic Site

6100 Dick Dowling Rd., Port Arthur 77640 ☎ (512) 463-7948

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site

1702 N. 13th Street, West Columbia 77486 ☎ (979) 345-4656

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Walter Umphrey State Park

3897 MLK, Jr. Drive/Hwy. 82, Port Arthur 77640 ☎ (409) 736-2851

This park is managed by Jefferson County.

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Blanco State Park

101 Park Road 23, Blanco 78606 📞 (830) 833-4333

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Located four blocks from Blanco's charming, historic town square, the park borders one mile of the spring-fed Blanco River and draws crowds from nearby Austin and San Antonio to relax in the sun, swim, tube, fish and camp. Bring your own volleyball and net, horseshoes and floats to make the most of the facilities. Spend a quiet weekend picnicking under the trees and watching stars at night. Shelters,

campsites and a CCC-built group facility make this park popular with both tent campers and RVers, as does its proximity to U.S. Highway 281. Rent tubes, kayaks and canoes at the State Park Store. Blanco State Park is well known as a small, peaceful, family-oriented park. Interpretive and educational programs are offered year round. 📶

Colorado Bend State Park

P.O. Box 118, Bend 76824 📞 (325) 628-3240

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Get away to the rugged Colorado River country at this pristine wilderness location suited to primitive tent camping. The drive to this old fishing camp takes you through beautiful Hill Country landscapes and on a winding gravel road for the last seven miles down into the river canyon. From January to April, fishing on the river includes the legendary spawning run of the white bass. The park offers 30 miles of hike and bike trails, spring-fed creeks and swimming holes, limestone bluffs and canyons, and abundant wildlife. Hike to Gorman Falls, a breathtaking 65-foot travertine waterfall that cascades down to the

Colorado River, or take the guided tour on Saturday afternoon. Reserve a weekend Crawling Cave and Karst Tour to explore the tight passages and large chambers found beneath this unique piece of the Texas Hill Country.

Devil's Sinkhole State Natural Area

P.O. Box 678, Rocksprings 78880 📞 (830) 563-2342

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Peer into the depths of Devil's Sinkhole, then watch as millions of bats emerge into the Texas evening sky. The natural area is home to the largest single-chambered and third-deepest cavern in the state. Evening flight tours are offered Wednesday through Saturday evenings during the summer to witness the bat emergence. Access to the natural area is limited to tours, and reservations are required. Birding tours are also available. Make reservations through the Devil's Sinkhole Society: (830) 683-2287.

Enchanted Rock State Natural Area

16710 Ranch Road 965, Fredericksburg 78624 📞 (830) 685-3636

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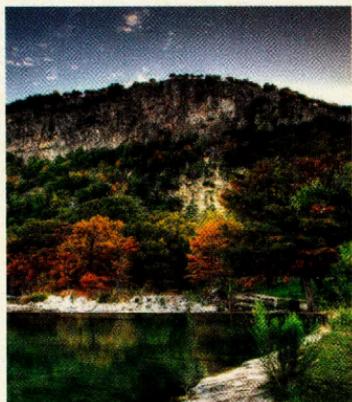
Climb to the top of this unique pink granite dome that rises 425 feet above the surrounding countryside, 1,825 feet above sea level. Enchanted Rock State Natural Area covers 640 acres and is one of the largest batholiths, or exposed underground rock formations, in the United States. Tonkawa Indians named it,

believing ghost fires flickered at the top and that a Spanish conquistador had cast a spell on it. Enchanted Rock was designated a National Natural Landmark in 1970 and was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984. The park is very popular with rock climbers, and for picnicking, geological study, birdwatching, stargazing, hiking and tent camping, especially on weekends. Mid-week or off-season periods offer smaller crowds, and visitors are encouraged to reserve campsites months in advance. 📶

Garner State Park

234 R.R. 1050, Concan 78838 📞 (830) 232-6132

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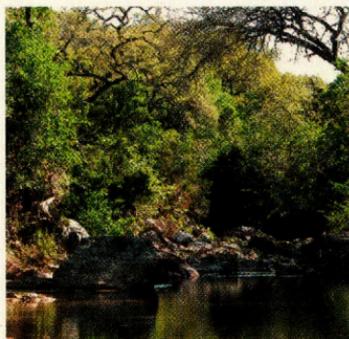
Garner State Park is a summer ritual for so many families that now some represent the fifth generation to have spent part of their vacation on the Frio River. Some of the traditions began during the CCC period of the 1930s when the “boys” constructed a stone dance pavilion and invited local girls to the dance. Now the park hosts the oldest outdoor dance in Texas with jukebox music filling the valley each summer evening. During the day, enjoy tubing in the cool waters among the cypress trees and many scenic views. Summer weekends are typically busy, with parking lots filled, and day users may

be turned away. Best advice: Visit during mid-week or off-season periods. Reserve cabins, shelters and campsites months in advance. A visitor center, seasonal grocery store, miniature golf and pedal boats are also available. 📶

Government Canyon State Natural Area

12861 Galm Road, San Antonio 78254 📞 (210) 688-9055

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Spend a day hiking and biking through a truly unique landscape dedicated to the recharge of the Edwards Aquifer. Feel connected to the past as you explore the rich ranching heritage of the area and the many live oak savannahs, old-growth ashe juniper trees, and Spanish moss overhangs. Listen for the rare sound of the endangered golden-cheeked warbler. Located only 16 miles from downtown San Antonio, and within the city limits, the natural area is an 8,622-acre, undeveloped stretch of

land protecting a portion of the aquifer’s recharge zone. Nearly 40 miles of trails range from remote, rugged canyon lands to gentle rolling prairies. The visitor’s center complex includes a store, several classrooms, an exhibit gallery and a covered pavilion. 📶

Guadalupe River State Park

3350 Park Road 31, Spring Branch 78070 📞 (830) 438-2656

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Located at the southeastern edge of the Hill Country, visitors can enjoy a full complement of outdoor recreational opportunities ranging from picnicking and camping to hiking and horseback riding. Within the park's boundaries flows the scenic Guadalupe River, complete with bald cypress-lined banks, dramatic limestone bluffs and natural rapids, making it a favorite destination for swimming, fishing, tubing and canoeing/kayaking. The park also provides an excellent put-in and take-out spot for float trips. The Discovery Center located within the park provides visitors with wonderful educational opportunities to "Take a Closer Look" at the nature of the park and river through exhibits and ranger-led programs. 📶



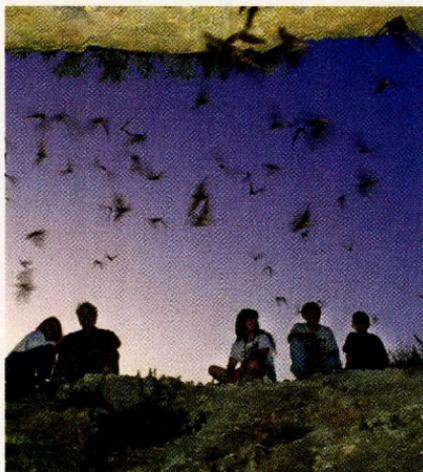
HONEY CREEK STATE NATURAL AREA

This 2,000-acre natural area is home to four protected wildlife species including the Golden-cheeked Warbler. Towering bald cypress and sycamore trees envelop Honey Creek in an oasis of amazing beauty. Spanish moss drapes overhead branches while dwarf palmetto and maidenhair fern adorn the creek banks. Access is through Guadalupe River State Park.

Kickapoo Cavern State Park

P.O. Box 705, Brackettville 78832 📞 (830) 563-2342

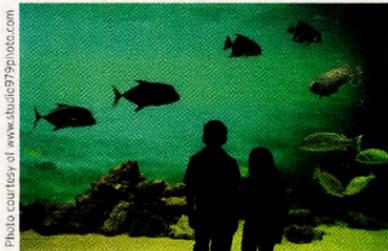
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Containing nearly 6,400 acres in the southwestern Hill Country, the park is relatively undeveloped—a natural open space where visitors can find solitude—but offers great activities. This newly renovated park has a network of caverns, including one large enough for guided tours. It also boasts 20 limited campsites, great birdwatching and miles of undeveloped trails for hiking and biking, in addition to Stuart Bat Cave where folks can view spectacular Mexican free-tailed bat flights during evenings of warm weather months. Contact the park in advance to schedule a Wild Cave tour. 📶

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Lake Brownwood State Park

200 State Highway Park Road 15, Brownwood 76801 📞 (325) 784-5223

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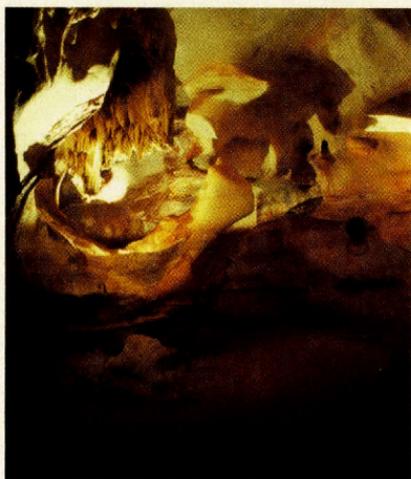
An atmosphere of rustic tranquility and beauty pervades this CCC park with its stone cabins, lodges and historic recreation hall. The locally quarried native rock

cast in the outdoor patios and stairs taking visitors to the lake gives the park a timeless feel. Year after year, families return to hold their reunions here in the large group facilities. The 7,300-surface-acre lake attracts swimmers, boating enthusiasts and anglers.

Longhorn Cavern State Park

P.O. Box 732, Burnet 78611 📞 (830) 598-CAVE or (877) 441-CAVE

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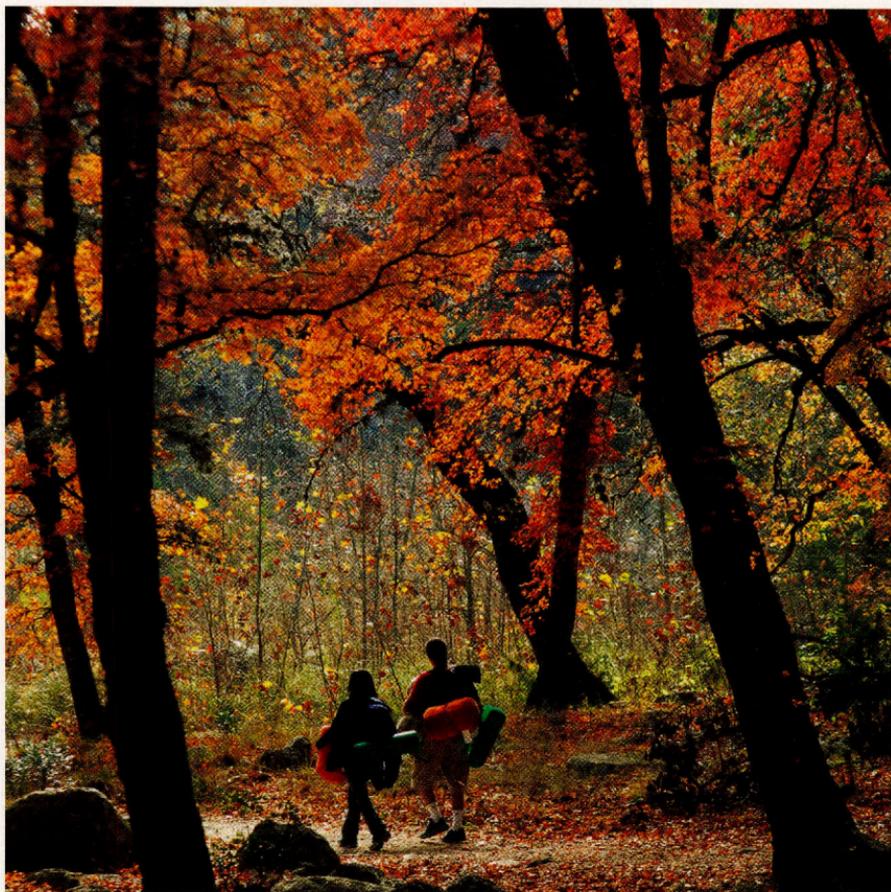


This beautiful cave near Inks Lake was cut long ago by underground streams. Today it stays at a comfortable 68 degrees. Cavern access is limited to tours and special programs, which are offered year-round. Wear comfortable shoes to take the 1-1/4-mile tour through the cave. For the more adventurous, the park offers a "wild" cave tour, an off-the-trail adventure to test your physical and mental capabilities. Picnicking and hiking are also options on the surrounding park grounds, and the park offers a full-service deli, snack bar and gift shop.

Lost Maples State Natural Area

37221 F.M. 187, Vanderpool 78885 📞 (830) 966-3413

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Along the course of the Sabinal River, springs flow through scenic and rugged limestone canyons, filling little ponds with grassy banks, perfect places to pitch a backpacker tent. Wildlife thrives everywhere, including the endangered golden-cheeked warbler and black-capped vireo. Hike along the 11 miles of trails up steep canyon cuts to reach several dramatic overlooks. But the star of this 2,200-acre natural area remains a stand of uncommon Uvalde bigtooth maples, relics from the last Ice Age. Large weekend crowds journey here when the maples turn vivid reds and yellows in late October and early November, so it's best to schedule a mid-week trip during this peak season. 📶

Lyndon B. Johnson State Park and Historic Site

P.O. Box 238, Stonewall 78671 📞 (830) 644-2252

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This popular park is nestled along the banks of the Pedernales River in the beautiful Hill Country. It honors the 36th president of the

United States and the influence he had on rural America. Visitors can view bison, white-tailed deer and Texas longhorn cattle, all of which are

pastured within sight along the back roads of the park. The park offers a number of outdoor activities including fishing in the Pedernales River, birdwatching, nature trails and wildlife photography. During the summer, visitors can enjoy a swim in the Olympic-sized swimming pool, tennis or a family baseball game at the ball diamond. Rental facilities include a dining hall and group picnic area. The park is also legendary for its spring and summer wildflowers, which blanket many of the open fields. At the Visitors Center, a short film chronicling President Johnson on his ranch is shown throughout the day and presidential exhibits are on display. Visit the State Park Store for unique Hill Country gifts and presidential related items. 📶



THE SAUER-BECKMANN LIVING HISTORY FARM, is a working farm which recreates Hill Country life as it appeared at the turn of the 20th Century. Daily demonstrations include milking cows, gathering eggs, cooking on a wood-burning stove and tending livestock, all done by staff in period clothing using historical

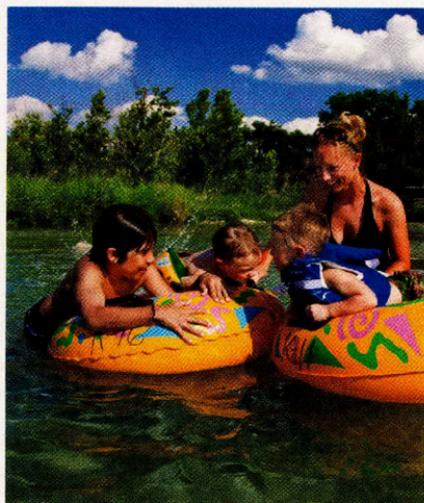
methods and tools. For groups of 15 or more wishing to have an hour-long interpretive tour of the living history farm, please call ahead for reservations.

Visitors can obtain a permit to tour the ranch administered by the National Park Service at the LBJ State Park Visitors Center Complex. Tour stops include Lyndon B. Johnson's birthplace, the Junction School he attended as a child, the Texas White House, and the place of rest of our 36th president.

South Llano River State Park

1927 Park Road 73, Junction 76849 ☎ (325) 446-3994

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This delightful riverside park, known for water and wildlife, is located on the western edge of the Edwards Plateau just south of Junction. Visitors can hike, bike and bird-watch on the trail or experience the South Llano River, deemed by the Lower Colorado River Authority to be one the “most pristine water bodies in the state.” Come enjoy and relax along the riverbank and have a picnic, swim, tube, fish and take kayak/canoe trips. Wildlife watchers can sit in one of four observation blinds to see many varieties of birds and also hike the park’s trails and into the 2,200-acre wooded hills of the former Walter Buck Wildlife Management Area,

now part of the park, for even more great places to see wild turkeys, jackrabbits, deer and numerous bird species. This small, peaceful and family-oriented park offers RV and tent camping and year-round interpretive and educational programs. Park Headquarters is located in the historic Buck homestead, a restored home site circa the late 1800s.

Fort McKavett State Historic Site

7066 FM 864, Fort McKavett 76841 ☎ (325) 396-2358

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Kerrville-Schreiner Park

2385 Bandera Highway, Kerrville 78028 ☎ (830) 257-7300

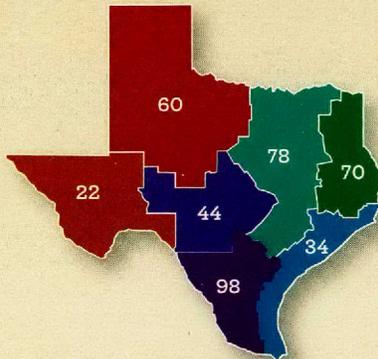
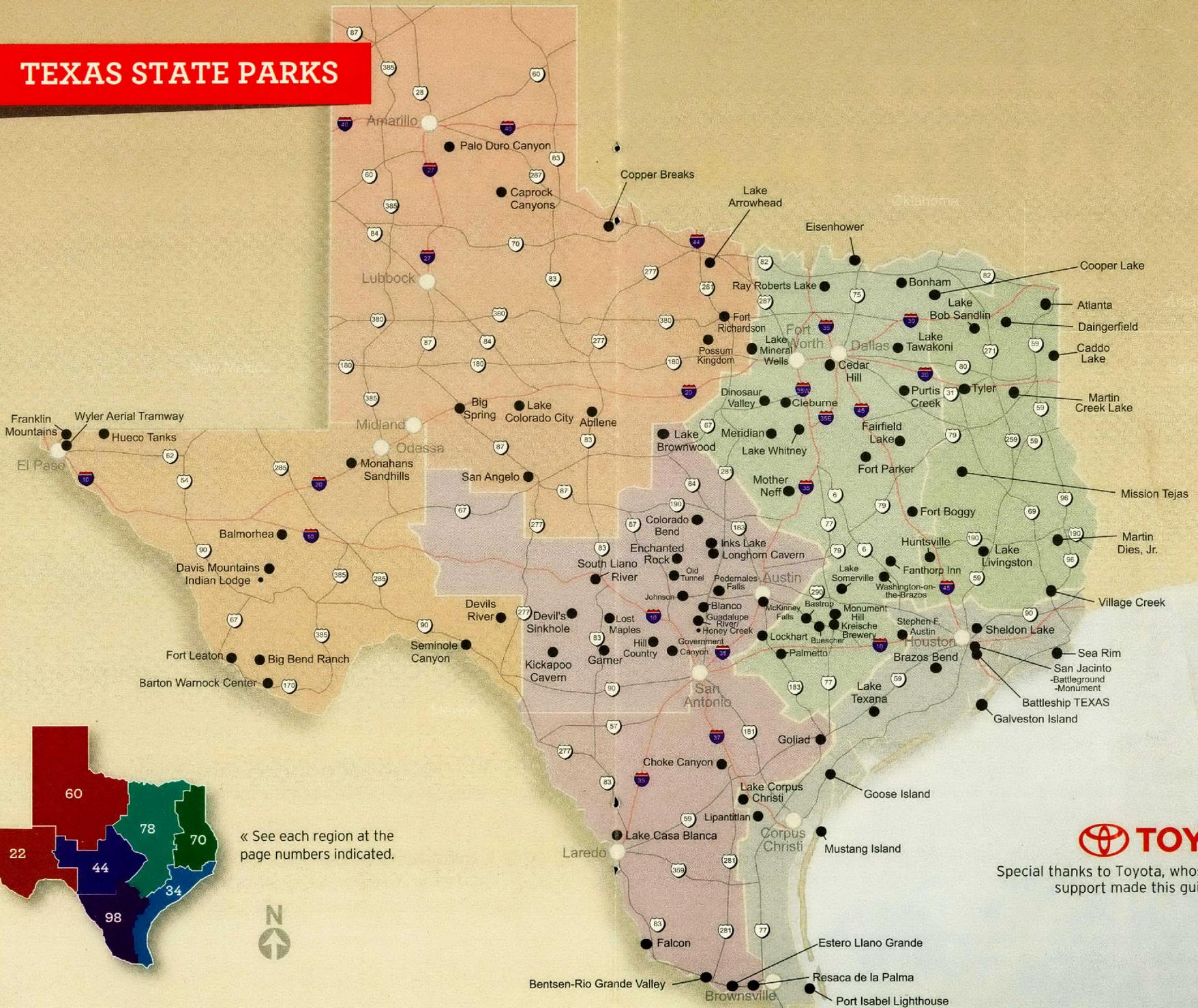
Former state park, now managed by the City of Kerrville.

Landmark Inn State Historic Site

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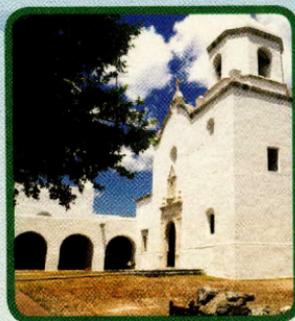
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DAY 1 (90 MILES)

From San Antonio take I-10 east to U.S. Hwy 183 north to the city of Lockhart. Enjoy the 9-hole golf course at **Lockhart State Park** and a lunch in town afterwards in the barbeque capital of Texas. Return to the park for a swim in the pool that was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps. Take a short drive to **Palmetto State Park** and spend the night in a cabin or campsite along the San Marcos River.

DAY 2 (169 MILES)

Rise early for a hike along the park's trails and boardwalks, or paddle the river in canoe or pedal boat. Continue south along U.S. Hwy 183 through the historic towns of Gonzales and Cuero for an authentic Tex-Mex lunch. Proceed to **Goliad State Park and Historic Site** to tour the reconstructed Spanish Colonial-era mission, Nuestra Señora del Espíritu Santo de Zúñiga, near the banks of the San Antonio River. From there, make your way back to the Alamo City along State Hwy 239 west to Kenedy (Horned Lizard capital of the world), then northwest onto U.S. Hwy 181.



GOLIAD STATE PARK



Abilene State Park

150 Park Road 32, Tuscola 79562 📞 (325) 572-3204

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Awake to find a wooded oasis on the banks of Elm Creek in the midst of the Texas Midwest, located just south of the city of Abilene. Pecan, red oak, cottonwood and elm trees arch over the campground. A historic water tower and observation deck constructed by the CCC with rust-colored sandstone overlook the large swimming pool, a popular summertime attraction. White-tailed deer and other wildlife can be spotted along a wooded hiking trail. Fishing, hiking, boating and picnicking are available at adjacent Lake Abilene, the newest section of the park. A one-mile nature trail plus an ADA-compliant, 1/2-mile trail are also available at the main park area. 📶

Big Spring State Park

1 Scenic Drive, Big Spring 79720 📞 (432) 263-4931

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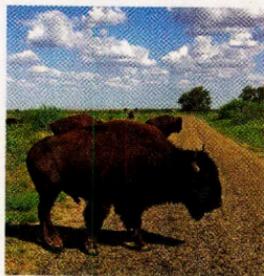
On the edge of the town of Big Spring, the park sits on a high bluff overlooking the vast Rolling Plains at this northern edge of the Edwards Plateau. Years ago, Comanches made camp here, and cattle drivers and immigrants moving west even carved “graffiti” into the stone outcropping. Today, a three-mile drive curves along the limestone rim rock ledge around

Scenic Mountain and is enjoyed by joggers, walkers and those who come to see the variety of bird species that live here. Views at the top are quite dramatic from the individual picnic tables or from the CCC-built group pavilion.

Caprock Canyons State Park and Trailway

P.O. Box 204, Quitaque 79255 📞 (806) 455-1492

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In the red bluffs near Lake Theo, archeologists unearthed a collection of bison jawbones left by prehistoric hunters in a ceremonial arrangement. A replica of this arrangement is now displayed in the park. The spirit heart of the bison still beats proudly today in the Caprock Canyons, as descendants of the Charles Goodnight bison herd, dubbed the “Official Texas State Bison Herd,” are free to roam within certain boundaries of the park and are protected for

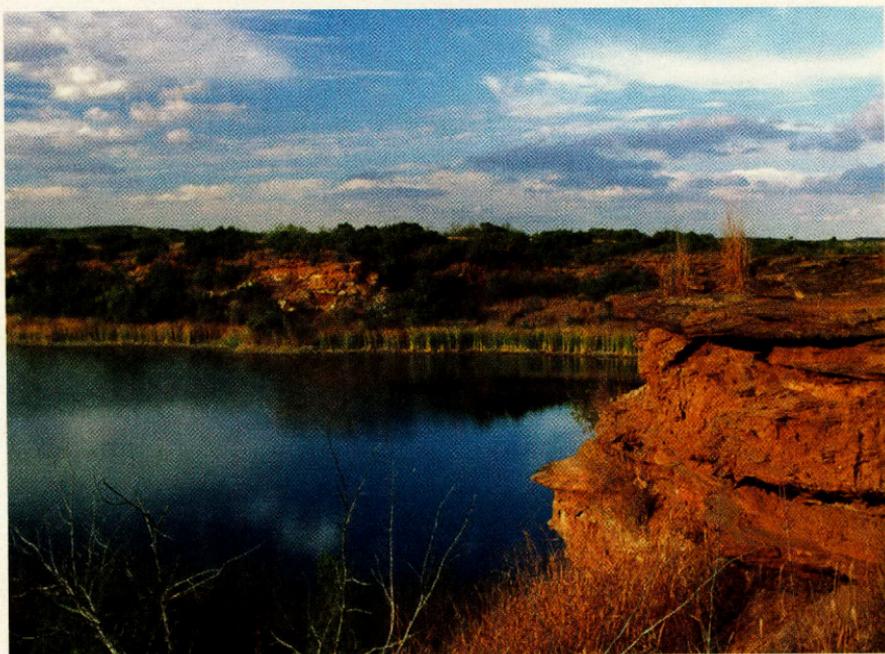
future generations to enjoy. This park is also open to campers who can stay in developed sites below the canyon rim or venture out to backcountry sites. A full moon on a quiet night in the remote canyons of this 15,000-acre park is an experience that cannot be duplicated elsewhere.

CAPROCK CANYONS TRAILWAY is another big draw. The trailway, a converted section of old railway, crosses abandoned railroad trestles, goes through Clarity Tunnel and takes hikers, bikers and equestrians overland through these rolling plains for 64 miles of natural beauty. 📶

Copper Breaks State Park

777 Park Road 62, Quanah 79252-7679 📞 (940) 839-4331

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The Rolling Plains expand into the legendary wide-open spaces of North Texas, once home to huge grasslands, wild bison and native hunters. This arid land has been eroded by the Pease River into a place of gullies, mesas and juniper breaks filled with wildlife. Frogs, turtles, raccoons and an occasional horned lizard can be seen in the park. Two small lakes (60 and 10 acres) offer fishing year-round for bass, catfish, crappie and sunfish. Equestrian campers can take a 9.5-mile overland trail through the backcountry. Contact the park to request a schedule of events. 📶

Lake Arrowhead State Park

229 Park Road 63, Wichita Falls 76310 📞 (940) 528-2211

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On the gently rolling open plains near the city of Wichita Falls, the 16,400-acre lake brings an influx of anglers eager to hook crappie, white bass, black bass, blue and channel catfish. A nine-lane boat ramp provides ready access to the lake, while a lighted pier and floating boat dock also accommodate anglers. Horseback riders and hikers will find five miles of mostly flat, grassy trails. The 18-hole disc golf course and active prairie dog town make this a unique state park.

Lake Colorado City State Park

4582 F.M. 2836, Colorado City 79512 📞 (325) 728-3931

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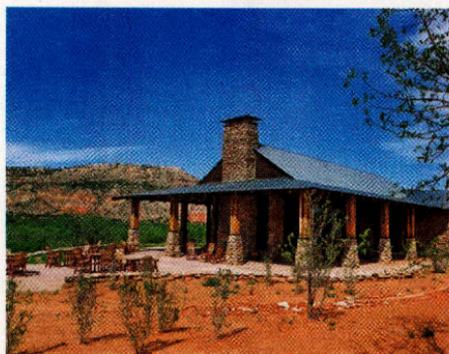
The lake provides an ideal habitat for fish and waterfowl and attracts anglers, birdwatchers, water skiers and even small sailboats in the West Texas wind. The newly quarried sandstone, limited-service cabins fit right in with the reddish and rocky landscape while providing a climate-controlled interior. A covered overhang on

each cabin shelters the picnic table from the sun and affords guests outdoor meals with a view. 📶

Palo Duro Canyon State Park

11450 Park Road 5, Canyon 79015 📞 (806) 488-2227

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One of the most renowned destinations in Texas, this mysterious terra cotta badland, referred to as the “Grand Canyon of Texas,” calls out to the adventurous to come exploring. A daylong horseback ride or challenging hike will take you to this home of the famous Lighthouse rock formation. Or drive to the top of the canyon and take in the breathtaking view from the overlook. The full-service

park offers primitive and developed campsites as well as newly-renovated rock cabins and fully furnished CCC-constructed cabins. Longhorns still graze at the park, too. The popular outdoor musical “Texas” is performed in the park’s amphitheater every summer. 📶

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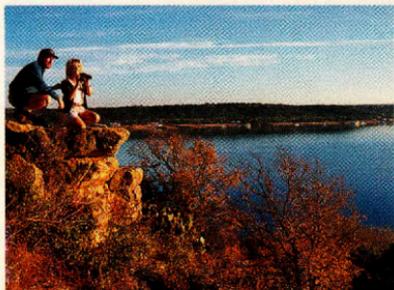
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Possum Kingdom State Park

P.O. Box 70, Caddo 76429 📞 (940) 549-1803

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Located in the rugged canyon country of the Brazos River Valley, Possum Kingdom holds 20,000 surface-acres of some of the clearest, bluest water in the Southwest. The clarity is especially good for scuba diving as well as swimming, boating, skiing and fishing. Anglers pull in largemouth bass, crappie, catfish, white bass and sunfish. Towering rock formations, part of the Palo Pinto

Mountains, give the shoreline near the dam and along the lower lake an unusual landscape. A marina and store in the park rents motor and non-motor boats and covered boat slips, and has motorboat fuel. 📶

San Angelo State Park

3900-2 Mercedes Road, San Angelo 76901 📞 (325) 949-4757

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The park is located at the transition of the Edwards Plateau ecoregion, the Rolling Plains natural region and the Trans-Pecos desert. It embraces a diverse mixture of vegetation including riparian bottomland trees such as pecan, hackberry and mesquite, which are more common in the arid plains. Its location on O.C. Fisher Reservoir provides access to fishing and

other water sports. The heated and air-conditioned limited-service cabins, open-air group pavilions and equestrian campsites offer a range of options to complement the more than 50 miles of equestrian, hiking and biking trails. 📶

Fort Griffin State Historic Site

1701 North U.S. Highway 283, Albany 76430 📞 (325) 762-3592

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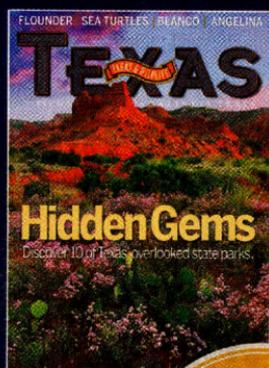
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Caddo Lake State Park

245 Park Road 2, Karnack 75661 📞 (903) 679-3351

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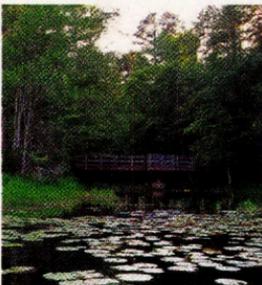


Caddo Lake, the only natural lake in Texas, was created by a mass of trees and flood debris known historically as the Great Raft of the Red River. It obstructed the river channel for more than 100 miles above Shreveport, Louisiana, until 1874, when it was successfully removed to clear the channel for navigation. But the lake slowly drained away, leaving a swamp. A modern dam maintains the lake, and today, canoeists, anglers and boaters can explore the picturesque maze of bayous — thick with ancient bald cypress trees. The park includes some lovely, fully-restored CCC pine-log cabins that make for an authentic “cabin in the woods” experience.

Daingerfield State Park

455 Park Road 17, Daingerfield 75638 📞 (903) 645-2921

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Stay in recently renovated CCC cabins, or camp beneath towering loblolly pines and dense oaks that edge the clear and calm, 80-acre lake in this lovely park. Whether it's a sandwich and beverage aboard a rented paddle boat or a picnic spread in the grass on a sunny day, food simply tastes better in this scenic and relaxing setting. The park's facilities, restrooms and lodge have all been recently renovated. A park store has also been added to accommodate camping and souvenir needs. 📶

Huntsville State Park

P.O. Box 508, Huntsville 77342-0508 📞 (936) 295-5644

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The Civilian Conservation Corps, which helped build state and national parks all over the United States, accepted all citizens, a remarkable decision for the times. As a result, African American companies were formed to help develop parks and public lands, including Huntsville State Park. The park quickly became a favorite of tourists and outdoor enthusiasts. Located among loblolly and shortleaf pines, the park boasts an extensive trail system, and equestrian stables are conveniently located onsite. The park also has a 210-acre lake, Lake Raven, with canoes for rent and plentiful wildlife and birds, as well as great fishing. A CCC-built group facility is available for rent for weddings, parties and reunions. 📶

Lake Bob Sandlin State Park

341 State Park Road 2117, Pittsburg 75686 📞 (903) 572-5531

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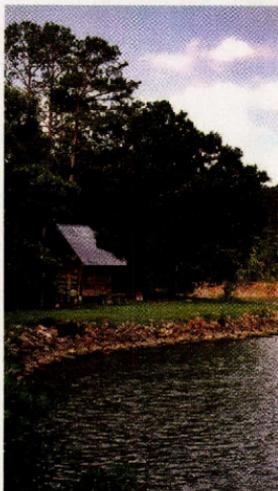


Foliage on the sweet gum, hickory, maple and other hardwood trees turns to red and gold here in the fall. The lake offers great bass fishing, for which East Texas is famous. And the park's proximity to Interstate 30 makes it a popular destination for residents of the DFW Metroplex. Visitors to the park enjoy a host of recreational activities, from fishing and boating to hiking and wildlife viewing of animals such as bobcats, white-tailed deer and bald eagles. Campers can choose from water/electric sites, screened shelters or limited-use cabins.

Lake Livingston State Park

300 Park Road 65, Livingston 77351 📞 (936) 365-2201

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Located on the shores of a huge 83,000 surface acre lake fed by the Trinity River, with three boat ramps this Southeast Texas park is an angler's delight. Catfish and white bass are plentiful, and in 1976 a 114-pound flathead catfish set a state record. The park's lighted fishing pier and tackle loaner program provide beginning anglers the opportunity to participate. Horse stables offer terrestrial alternatives to water-based activities: horseback trail riding in the pines by the hour. Or, take a packaged trip that includes meals. The park offers a wide range of campsites that include 77 full hookup sites and unique screened shelters, some of which are ADA-compliant. An air-conditioned activity center for up to 50 people is welcome in the summer heat, as is a cool plunge into the park's crystal-clear swimming pool.

Martin Creek Lake State Park

9515 County Road 2181D, Tatum 75691 📞 (903) 836-4336

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A small island in the lake, reached via a footbridge, has primitive campsites for backpackers wanting a quiet retreat. There are limited campsites available on the island, so be sure to make a reservation. Because the lake water cools a power plant, the water stays warm, making this an excellent channel cat and bass fishery, even during cold-weather months.

Bluegill and redear sunfish are also present in high numbers. The park has a lighted fishing pier and boat ramps. Stay overnight in this unique Pineywoods park in cabins, cottages or enclosed shelters as well. Enjoy tent camping, or park your RV for a spell and make yourself at home.

Martin Dies, Jr. State Park

634 Park Road 48 South, Jasper 75951 📞 (409) 384-5231

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Pitch your tent or park your RV on the shores of this reservoir under lofty pine, oak and beech trees in the northern corner of the Big Thicket. The mix of habitats at this biological crossroads brings in arid country critters such as roadrunners, as well as swamp dwellers like alligators. Boat ramps and rentals help get you to Lake B.A. Steinhagen, and a lighted fishing pier lets you fish along the shore. Channel, blue and

flathead catfish can all be caught here and spotted bass can be caught in the nearby Angelina River. Crappie fishing reigns in the spring. There's a four-mile, beginner-level mountain biking trail, and for paddling enthusiasts, four marked paddling trails on the lake and river offer beginner and intermediate visitors access to the water. Both bicycles and canoes can be rented at the park. The park's environmental education center is worth a visit, and the group hall hosts many family gatherings every year. 📶

Mission Tejas State Park

120 State Park Road 44, Grapeland 75844 📞 (936) 687-2394

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The park commemorates the first Spanish mission in East Texas. Fearing the French would claim New World dominion over lands that Spain wished to control, Spanish leaders in Mexico mounted an expedition to settle the Pineywoods in 1690. It was this pioneering effort at mission-building that resulted in the first contact with the Caddoan-speaking Hasinai people. Chancing upon an East Texas farming village, the Spanish explorers were

greeted in the Caddoan language with a word that sounded like “tayshas.” It meant “friends” or “allies,” but it was recorded as a place name, becoming the Spanish word Tejas and the English word Texas. This 659-acre park provides a relaxing retreat in the Neches River uplands for campers, anglers, picnickers and hikers. El Camino Real Historic Trail traverses the park, enabling visitors to walk in Davey Crockett’s footsteps.

Tyler State Park

789 Park Road 16, Tyler 75706-9141 📞 (903) 597-5338

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Camping, swimming, fishing, boating, hiking and biking — there are many ways to enjoy this quiet retreat that surrounds a clear spring-fed lake located in the relaxing beauty of East Texas, near the city of Tyler. Timeless craftsmanship in the stonework and wooden buildings built by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) make the park a historic treasure. Hike and bike on approximately

14 miles of popular trails or rent a boat for a leisurely tour of the lake. While doing so, you might see deer, raccoon, squirrels, bobcats, coyote, opossum or many flowering plants, such as dogwood, redbud, standing cypress, coreopsis or purple coneflower. The clear water of the 64-acre lake is excellent for year-round fishing, swimming and scuba diving. Full RV hookups, tent sites, screened shelters and group facilities are available, as are recently renovated limited-service cabins. 📶

Village Creek State Park

Physical address: 8854 Park Road 74 (off Alma Drive), Lumberton 77657

Mailing address: P.O. Box 8565, Lumberton 77657

(409) 755-7322

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Village Creek State Park reveals a primeval world of backwater sloughs and swamps, carnivorous plants, various mammals and water snakes, colorful birds and hundreds of species of flowering plants. They all thrive in this region known as the Big Thicket, a pine-and-hardwood forest so dense that the early pioneers barely attempted to settle it. This ecological splendor once comprised more than 3 million acres of dense forest and bottomland. A small portion is set aside as a park with eight miles of marked trails, interpretive programs, camping facilities and access to paddling on wide, slow-moving Village Creek. A beautiful overnight facility perfectly suited for families is available for rent at this park.

Caddo Mounds State Historic Site

1649 State Highway 21 West, Alto 75925 (936) 858-3218

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Governor Hogg Shrine Historic Site

101 Governor Hogg Parkway, Quitman 75783 (903) 763-4411

Operated by the City of Quitman.

Starr Family Home State Historic Site

407 West Travis St, Marshall 75670 (903) 935-3044

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Bastrop State Park

100 Park Road 1A, Bastrop 78602 📞 (512) 321-2101

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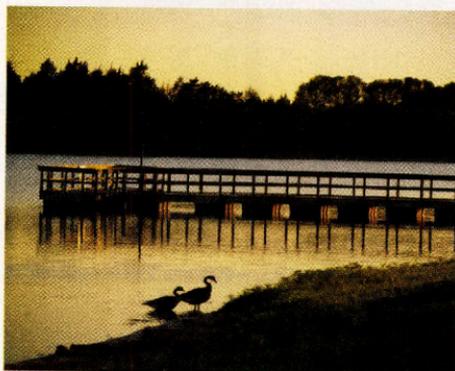
Located just east of Austin, Bastrop is set among the “Lost Pines,” believed to have once been part of an extensive pine-oak forest in Central Texas. The fully-equipped cabins and most group facilities were constructed by the CCC in the 1930s. Because they were built using local timber and sandstone, these historic buildings blend in with the landscape. In September 2011, a

wildfire affected 96 percent of the park but damaged only two, small overlook structures. While the forest is still recovering from the wildfire, all campsites and facilities and most hiking trails are open to the public, and overall, the park is doing well. In addition to nature study and fishing along the banks of the small park lake, the park also features an 18-hole golf course and a large, oval-shaped, CCC-built swimming pool. 📶

Bonham State Park

1363 State Park 24, Bonham 75418 📞 (903) 583-5022

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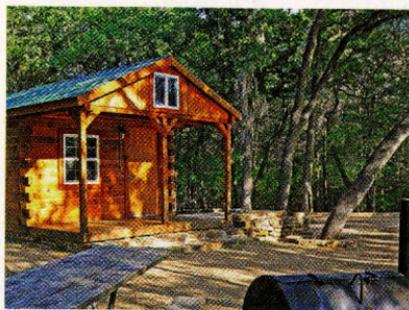
Escape to the laid-back atmosphere of this quiet park surrounding a 65-acre lake, located just northeast of the Dallas metro area. Water activities include boating, canoeing, swimming and fishing. A fishing pier provides visitors with an added opportunity to fish. A gently rolling terrace is dominated by tall, mature trees, making it perfect for hiking, walking, picnics or just relaxing.

Developed campsites and a group complex enhance overnight stays. Raccoons, squirrels, rabbits and numerous songbirds are among the wildlife in the park. A newly renovated indoor complex sleeps 94 and includes a game room. 📶

Buescher State Park

100 Park Road 1E, Smithville 78957 📞 (512) 237-2241

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Buescher State Park is joined to Bastrop State Park by a 12-mile road that is perfect for biking or a leisurely drive. Both parks are located in the "Lost Pines," believed to have once been part of an extensive pine-oak forest in Central Texas. Rent canoes or hike along the 7.7-mile loop trail through the forest. Fishing is excellent in the small woodland lake that is stocked for

anglers. Camp in the peaceful quiet along the lake or at campsites set back in the forest. A CCC-built group facility is also available for rent, as are three limited-service cabins.

Cedar Hill State Park

1570 West F.M. 1382, Cedar Hill 75104 📞 (972) 291-3900

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Minutes southwest of downtown Dallas, this park has 10 lanes of boat ramps giving access to the 7,500-acre Joe Pool Reservoir. Crowds are easily accommodated at the more than 300 developed and walk-in campsites. The Dallas Off-Road Bicycle Association built 15 miles of biking trails that crisscross the varied terrain and suit novices and experts alike. Because the park was developed at the site of a

19th-century farm, a number of buildings have been restored to recreate the old Penn Farm as it was before the DFW Metroplex grew so large. Penn Farm is open daily for self-guided tours that take visitors through the old barns and outbuildings. 📶

Cleburne State Park

5800 Park Road 21, Cleburne 76033 📞 (817) 645-4215

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Wildlife abounds at this park, which is ideal for camping or day use, located just outside the city of Cleburne, southwest of the Fort Worth area. Animals scurry through the woods, and in early spring, bluebonnets blanket the open fields, creating picture-perfect picnic settings. Hike-and-bike trails zigzag through limestone hills, canyons and ruggedly beautiful wooded terrain. Enjoy the

clear, spring-fed lake created by an earthen dam with a charming, three-level spillway, or catch a glimpse of beavers as they build a dam. 📶

Cooper Lake State Park

Doctors Creek Unit, 1664 F.M. 1529 South, Cooper 75432 📞 (903) 395-3100

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South Sulphur Unit, 1690 F.M. 3505, Sulphur Springs 75482 📞 (903) 945-5256

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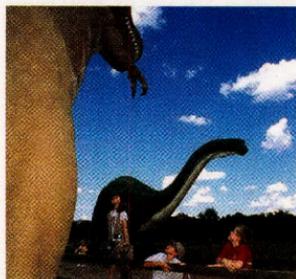


Cooper Lake offers a variety of both land- and water-based recreational opportunities. Visitors can enjoy the breathtaking sunsets and spectacular scenery by boat, foot or horseback. Or, picnic under towering oak trees, swim at the sandy beach, explore developed trails, or boat and fish on the 19,300-acre lake. Overnighters can choose from cabins, shelters and developed or primitive campsites, including equestrian sites for horses. Both the South Sulphur and Doctors Creek units offer limited-service cabins. Wildlife watchers are often rewarded with sightings of bald eagles, white pelicans, wild turkey, waterfowl, white-tailed deer, squirrels, raccoons and beavers. Together, both park units encompass 3,026 acres and some 31 miles of shoreline; canoe rentals have been added as well. 📶 *South Sulphur Unit only*

Dinosaur Valley State Park

1629 Park Road 59, Glen Rose 76043 📞 (254) 897-4588

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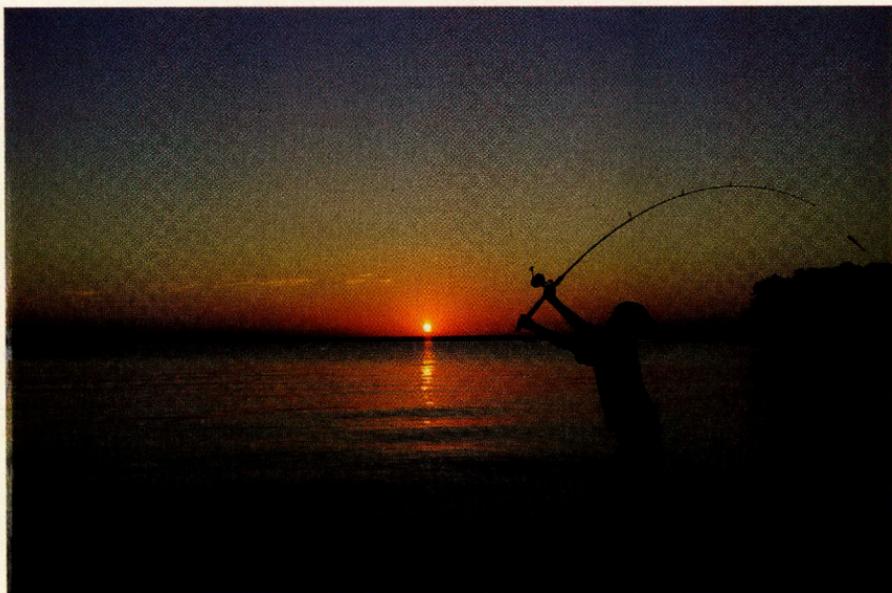
Take the kids to put their little feet in the world-renowned dinosaur footprints in the Paluxy riverbed. The trackway dates to the Cretaceous period 113 million years ago and was an important clue for paleontological theories about how and where dinosaurs walked. Since the riverbed tracks are only visible when the water is low, a replica in the park's exhibit is also available for viewing. Great hiking and biking trails meander through the uplands with trailheads near the campgrounds. This park enjoys year-round popularity with mountain bikers, campers and RVers. 📶

Eisenhower State Park

50 Park Road 20, Denison 75020-4878 📞 (903) 465-1956

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The park's heavily forested shoreline of rolling hills and limestone bluffs has been called Texas' North Coast. It overlooks Lake Texoma, the 89,000 acre watery playground for yachts, sailboats and every form of water-based recreation. Visitors can access the lake via boat ramps and shorelines. Rentals and marina services are provided by a privately operated marina located in the park. Visitors can hike and bike on scenic trails that border the lakeshore. An ATV trail offers enthusiasts a place to ride along the wooded hills of the park's backcountry. Shaded campsites accommodate

RV's and tents as well as screened shelters, group facilities, and a limited service cabin. Eisenhower welcomes travelers coming from the north, as it is located along the Texas-Oklahoma state line, but it is also within an hour of the Dallas-Forth Worth Metroplex. Lake Texoma is world renowned for fishing. You can catch striped bass, smallmouth and catfish along park shorelines. 📶

Fairfield Lake State Park

123 State Park Road 64, Fairfield 75840 📞 (903) 389-4514

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The waters of Fairfield Lake are warm because they cool an electrical power plant, and that means fantastic winter fishing from November through February. Within a few hours' drive of Dallas/Fort Worth, Houston and Waco, the park offers lakefront camping and walk-in primitive campsites. In the winter, one can spot bald eagles diving for their favorite food.

P R A I R I E S A N D L A K E S

Fanthorp Inn State Historic Site

P.O. Box 296, Anderson 77830 📞 (936) 873-2633

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The carefully restored Fanthorp Inn offers visitors an opportunity to walk through a historic inn that served as a stagecoach stop. A communal dining table is set for a meal, frozen in time, conveying a real sense of the traveler's life in the 1850s. A replica of a Concord stagecoach completes the scene. Picnic tables are set under towering trees on the lawns surrounding the inn, ideal for an afternoon outing.

Fort Boggy State Park

4994 Highway 75 South, Centerville 75833 ☎ (903) 344-1116

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Spend the day picnicking, fishing or just taking in the natural beauty of this quiet and serene day-use park. Set beside a picturesque lake well-suited to canoes, kayaks or small boats, the park has a beautiful beach and nature trails, as well as an ADA-compliant, open-air picnic pavilion. The park is conveniently

located just off IH-45 between Dallas and Houston.

Fort Parker State Park

194 Park Road 28, Mexia 76667 ☎ (254) 562-5751

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Located between Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston and Austin, this wooded park features miles of trails and an unforgettable hand-built dam across the Navasota River. Visitors enjoy spectacular sunsets and stunning scenery while boating on the lake and river or sunbathing at the popular swimming area. Wildflowers abound from March to early June. The park's 96-person group facility is a popular venue for reunions, youth camps and other overnight gatherings. Wildlife sightings include great blue heron, white-tailed deer, bald eagles, beavers, white pelicans, raccoons, and others. Canoe, kayak and paddleboat rentals, as well as fishing in the river and the park's 750-acre lake, ensure plenty of water fun for all.

Lake Mineral Wells State Park and Trailway

100 Park Road 71, Mineral Wells 76067 📞 (940) 328-1171

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In addition to the lake's fishing and swimming, adventurers can climb and rappel on cliffs. Swimmers can cool off at the swimming beach, while anglers and others rent paddleboats, canoes and rowboats to cruise the wonderfully tranquil lake. Located within an hour's drive of Fort Worth, the lake's south side also offers 100 picnic sites for day use, as well as access to the trailway. Cowboy poetry and stargazing are some of the programs offered at the new Lone Star Amphitheater. Head for Penitentiary Hollow, where stone steps laid more than 70 years ago wind through a lakeside labyrinth of giant boulders, rock walls and narrow canyons. An overlook on a nearby bluff affords stunning views of the 646-acre lake. 📶



LAKE MINERAL WELLS STATE TRAILWAY

A 20-mile-long, multi-use trail converted from an abandoned railroad right-of-way runs from just northwest of Weatherford to downtown Mineral Wells. Bring your bike, your horse or your own hooves!

Lake Somerville State Park and Trailway

Birch Creek Unit, 14222 Park Road 57, Somerville 77879 📞 (979) 535-7763

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Nails Creek Unit, 6280 F.M. 180, Ledbetter 78946 📞 (979) 289-2392

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Located between the cities of Austin and College Station, the two units of Lake Somerville State Park make for great family getaways. Roads and trails wind through meadows and woodland campsites. The shallow swimming area at Nails Creek unit is wonderful for small children, and canoes are available to rent. The Birch Creek unit group trailer area offers camping for families or friends traveling together. Birch Creek is known for its fishing and lake access, while Nails Creek is a favorite among equestrians.

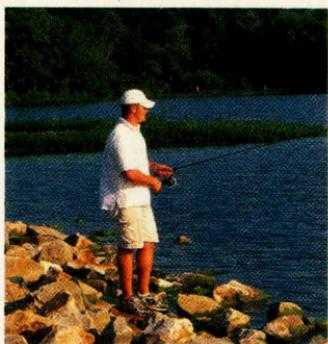
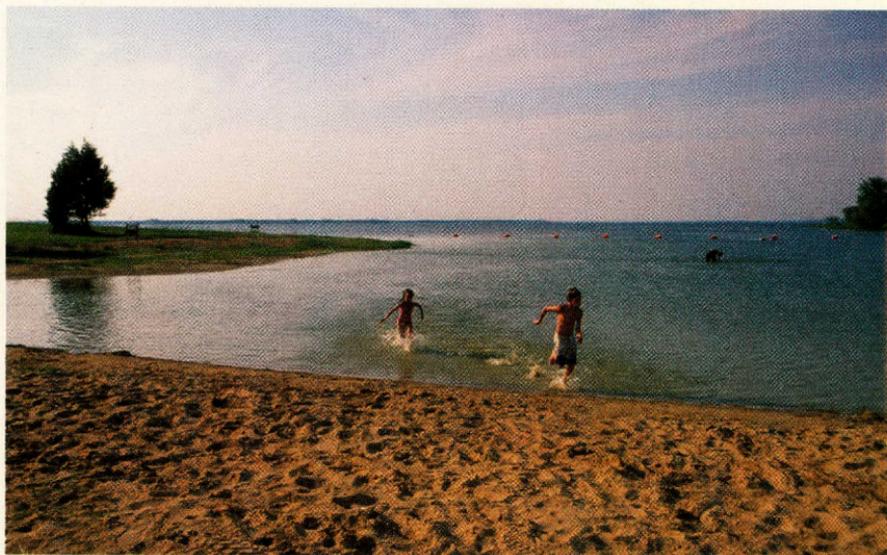
The Lake Somerville Trailway System connects the two units with 13 miles of trails suitable for hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, backpacking, birding, outdoor photography and nature study. Campgrounds for equestrians and backpackers are located along the trailway. There are also wheelchair-accessible trails in both parks. 📶

Lake Tawakoni State Park

10822 F.M. 2475, Wills Point 75169 📞 (903) 560-7123

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This park is one of the newer overnight camping parks added to the Texas State Parks system. The 376-acre park sits along the shores of the 36,700-acre Lake Tawakoni reservoir five miles of shoreline and a four-lane boat ramp located in a picturesque, hardwood sylvan setting, just east of the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The park features 78 campsites; two large picnic areas with tables and grills and more than eight miles of hike-and-bike trails. It also has a youth group area (primitive camping) that can be reserved for groups of up to

48. The park's 40 acres of native prairie grassland are rare for East Texas and serve as habitat for over 250 bird species. 📶

Lake Whitney State Park

P.O. Box 1175, Whitney 76692 📞 (254) 694-3793

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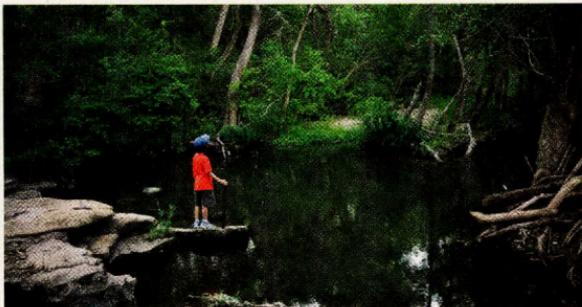


Boating, water skiing, sailing, fishing, scuba diving and swimming take center stage at this 23,000 surface-acre reservoir with the park's boat ramps, lakefront beach, shoreline fishing and record-size catfish, largemouth and smallmouth bass and striper. Camp and enjoy hiking, biking or birding. Some 194 species have been identified here.

Lockhart State Park

4179 State Park Road, Lockhart 78644-9716 📞 (512) 398-3479

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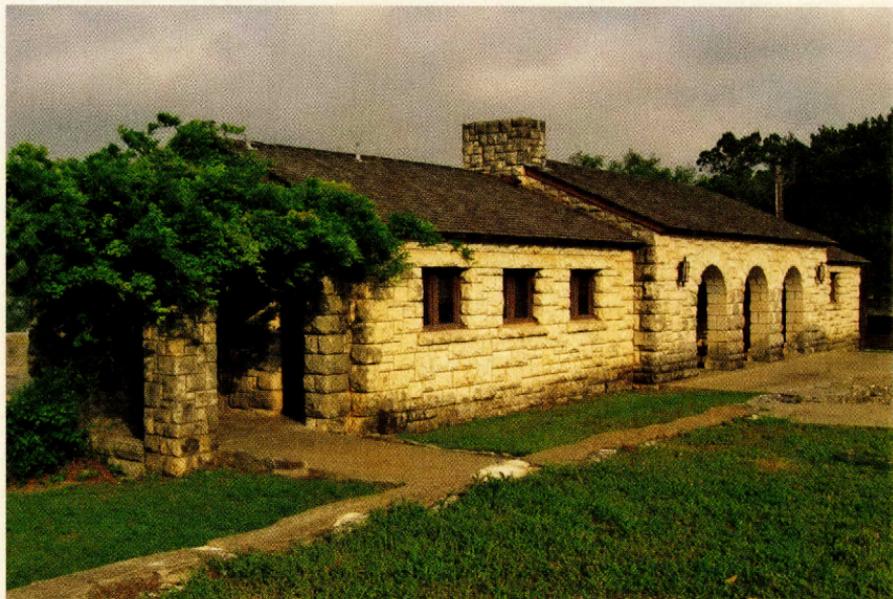


This small rustic park is set in rolling forested terrain. The large, secluded hilltop refectory — built by the CCC in the 1930s — is a perfect setting for reunions, parties and weddings. For the golf enthusiast, there is a quaint nine-hole golf course (club and cart rental available). Other amenities include a small campground popular with RVers, a swimming pool, a park store and a creek for anglers.

Meridian State Park

173 Park Road 7, Meridian 76665 📞 (254) 435-2536

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This wooded 504-acre park prides itself on its relaxing atmosphere. The park surrounds 72-acre Lake Meridian, which has excellent fishing opportunities for largemouth bass, catfish, crappie and bream. Hiking trails take visitors into peaceful, serene areas of the park to view limestone outcroppings, nature and abundant wildlife. Birders enjoy a chance to catch a glimpse of the endangered golden-cheeked warbler. The park offers campsites ranging from 50-amp full hookup pull through

sites to drive-up primitive sites, as well as 18 screened shelters and a day-use dining hall great for business meetings and small reunions. Reservations in advance are highly recommended. 📶

Monument Hill and Kreische Brewery State Historic Sites

414 State Loop 92, La Grange 78945-5733 📞 (979) 968-5658

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Visit the monument dedicated to the 1842 Dawson and Mier expedition, famous for the legendary “black bean” incident in Texas history; Mexican President Santa Anna decreed that captives draw one of the 17 black beans from a pot that also contained 159 white beans. Those drawing black beans were executed. The monument is a tomb for Republic of Texas patriots, recognizing fallen heroes. A beautiful view from the bluff overlooking the winding Colorado River is one of the many stops on a nature trail that connects the monument and brewery historic sites. Heinrich

Kreische, a master stonemason, immigrated to Texas in 1846 and purchased this property overlooking the Colorado River near La Grange. During the 1860s, Kreische changed his occupation to that of a brewer and started one of the first commercial breweries in Texas. Picnic on the beautiful park lawn and tour the Kreische House and the ruins of the brewery.

Mother Neff State Park

1680 S.H. 236, Moody 76557-3317 📞 (254) 853-2389

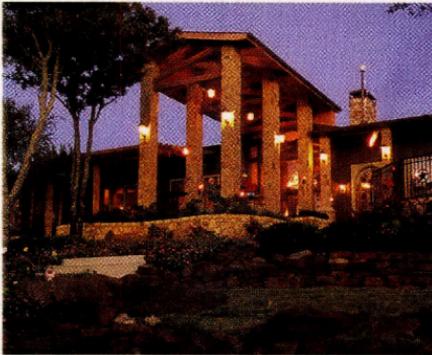
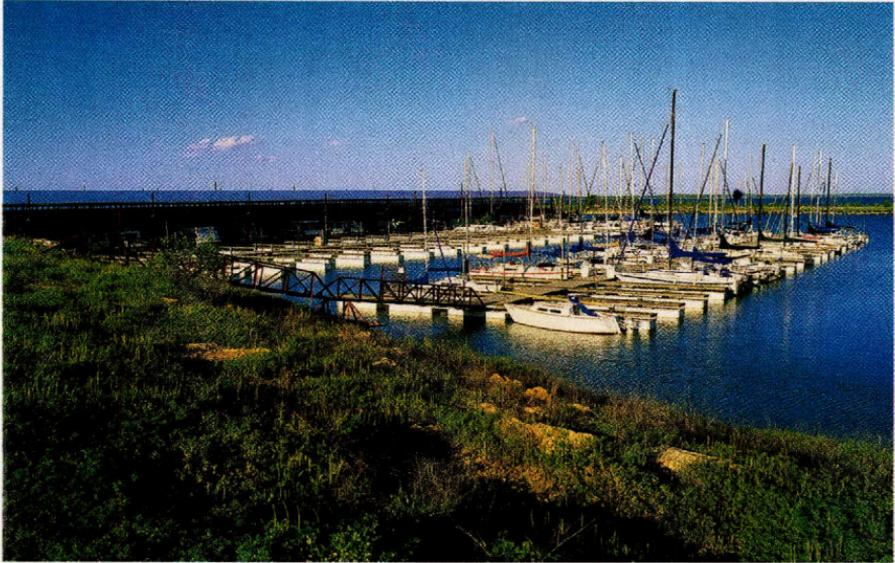
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The first state park in the system, Mother Neff is named for Isabella Eleanor Neff (mother of Texas Governor Pat M. Neff), who donated the land that would form the nucleus of the park. Later donations increased it to form a thin rectangle that dissects the landscape and offers a variety of terrain and vegetation. Recent acquisitions have added additional parkland along the Leon River. Almost five miles of hiking trails covering three

ecosystems traverse the park. Sites with water and electric are available along with a trailer dump station.

Ray Roberts Lake State Park



Set amid a mixed forest and prairie environment, this state park has numerous subunits with access to the 30,000-surface-acre reservoir. In addition to typical state park campsites, the sections include everything from boat ramps to a full-service marina, group pavilions, a lodge with hotel-type rooms, numerous mountain-bike trails, primitive and equestrian camping, and great fishing opportunities.

Park Units of Ray Roberts Lake SP

Isle du Bois

100 PW 4137, Pilot Point 76258-8944 📞 (940) 686-2148

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A full-service park with a six-lane boat ramp. It also has equestrian and walk-in campsites, a swimming beach and a lighted fishing pier. 📶

Johnson Branch

100 PW 4153, Valley View 76272-7411 📞 (940) 637-2294

GPS Latitude N 33 25 46.88 | Longitude W 97 03 23.29

A full-service park with a four-lane boat ramp, campsites and accessible trails that are ADA-compliant.

Jordan Park

F.M. 1192, Pilot Point 76258 📞 (940) 686-0261

GPS Latitude N 33.41 | Longitude W 97

Home to Lantana Lodge, a luxurious lodge overlooking the lake. The modern hotel has 30 rooms, a restaurant as well as a conference center that can accommodate up to 100 people. There's also a four-lane boat ramp for lake access.

Ray Roberts Greenbelt Corridor

100 PW 4137, Pilot Point 76258-8944 📞 (940) 686-2148

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A 20-mile trail system meanders along the heavily wooded banks of the Elm Fork of the Trinity River. It is suited to hiking, equestrian trail riding and paddling.

Sanger Marina Unit

1399 Marina Circle, Sanger 76226 📞 (940) 458-7343

GPS Latitude N 33.22 | Longitude W 97.06

A full-service marina, Lake Ray Roberts Marina, is located here and features four boat lanes, boat rentals, a fishing barge and courtesy dock.

Stephen F. Austin State Park

Park Road 38, San Felipe 77473-0125 📞 (979) 885-3613

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Located in the birthplace of Anglo-American settlement in Texas, the park occupies moss-draped pecan bottoms along the Brazos River and the Mexican land granted to Stephen F. Austin, the “Father of Texas.” This historic 1824 settlement was also home to Texas’ first English-language newspaper, the first Texas postal system, and the original Texas Rangers. The park offers a wide variety of camping including 38 full hook-up sites, 38 water-only sites, 25 walk-in primitive campsites, 19 screened shelters, one limited service cabin, group facilities and a day-use recreation hall. Opportunities abound for birding and wildlife viewing, fishing along the riverbank, and hiking and biking along about six miles of trails. Plan to visit nearby San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, operated by the Texas Historical Commission.

Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site

P.O. Box 305, Washington 77880-0305 📞 (936) 878-2214

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While Santa Anna’s army besieged the Alamo in March 1836, Texians met in an unfinished building at Washington-on-the-Brazos to declare independence from Mexico. Two weeks later, the delegates adopted a constitution for the Republic of Texas in the middle of the night. Today, visitors enjoy the many exhibits at the Visitor Center and at the Star of the Republic Museum, which houses a collection of

more than 20,000 artifacts. Visitors can also tour a replica of the building where the Texas Declaration of Independence was signed. A conference center, group meeting facilities and two pavilions are available by reservation. This picturesque park is also a favorite spot for picnics. 📶



BARRINGTON LIVING HISTORY FARM is a working 1850s cotton farm in the Brazos Valley. Using the home and journals of Dr. Anson Jones, the last president of the Republic of Texas, period costume interpreters work the farm as it was done long ago so folks can experience the sights, sounds and smells of the 19th century.

Confederate Reunion Grounds State Historic Site

1738 FM 2705, Mexia 76667 📞 (254) 472-0959

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Eisenhower Birthplace State Historic Site

609 South Lamar, Denison 75021 📞 (903) 465-8908

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Sam Bell Maxey House State Historic Site

812 South Church Street, Paris 75460 📞 (903) 785-5716

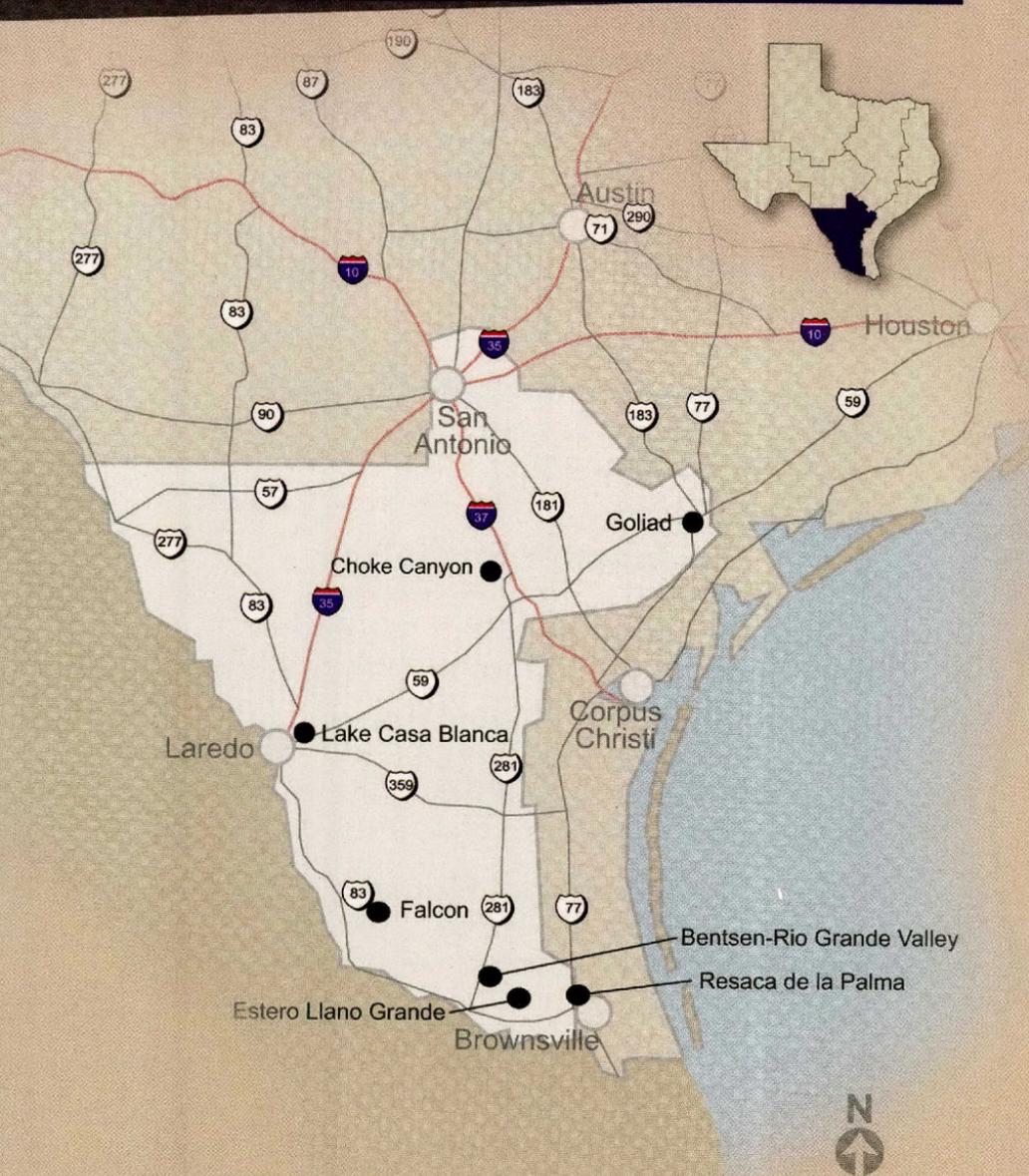
This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

Sebastopol House State Historic Site

P.O. Box 900, Seguin 78156 📞 (830) 401-2480

A unique, concrete-like constructed home from the late 1840s, this site is now operated by the city of Seguin, Texas.

SOUTH TEXAS PLAINS



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Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park

2800 S. Bentsen Palm Drive, Mission 78572 📞 (956) 584-9156

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Serving as headquarters of a unique network of the nine World Birding Center sites in South Texas, Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park features more than 340 species of birds and more than 200 species of butterflies on 760 acres of riparian woodland. Witness amazing hawk migrations, and enjoy bird walks and natural history tours at this key migratory stopover. The park features nature trails, a hawk tower, birding

and wildlife viewing blinds, seasonal bird feeding stations, primitive campsites, tram tours and numerous opportunities for bird and wildlife photography. Access into the park is on foot, by bike or tram. Visitors can pick up the latest field guides or browse through a wide selection of souvenirs and nature-inspired merchandise at the Alguas Plumas gift shop. Stop by the La Familia Nature Center to see the latest nature displays or chat with park naturalists or volunteers about what wildlife is being seen in the park. 📶

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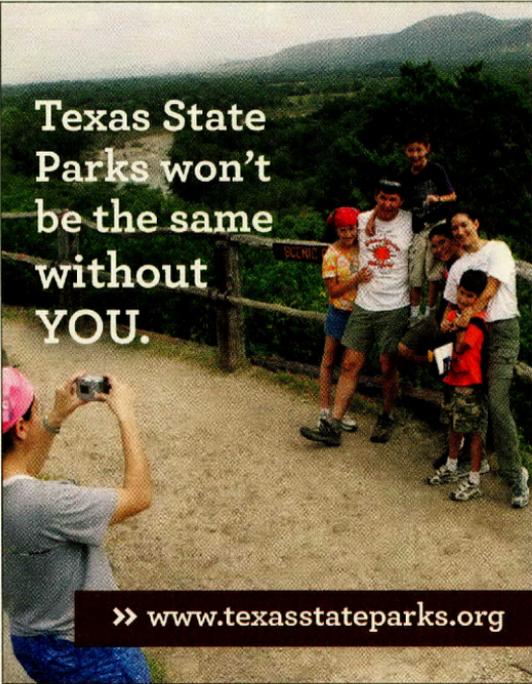
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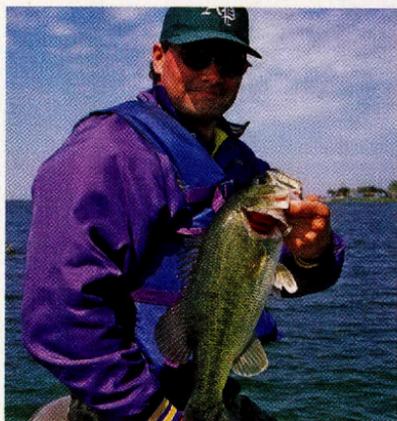
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Choke Canyon State Park

P.O. Box 2, Calliham 78007 📞 (361) 786-3868



This park complex includes two separate park units on the shores of the 26,000-surface-acre reservoir, offering access to a wide expanse of water. That, coupled with mild weather, invites boating, waterskiing and fishing year-round. Fishing at Choke Canyon reservoir is regarded as some of the finest in Texas. Largemouth bass, white bass, crappie, blue catfish, channel catfish, flathead catfish, bluegill and redear sunfish and alligator gar have healthy populations here. An abundance of wildlife offers visitors the chance to see white-tailed deer, wild turkey, javelina and even alligators. The park's facilities also include a gymnasium, recreation hall, dining hall and group picnic pavilions.

Calliham Park Unit

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In addition to campsites and group pavilions, the park has a basketball court, tennis court and baseball diamond. An auditorium with dining hall, dressing rooms and a stage are available for rent. The park has nature trails that provide great birding opportunities to view a diverse variety of species.

South Shore Park Unit (Day use only)

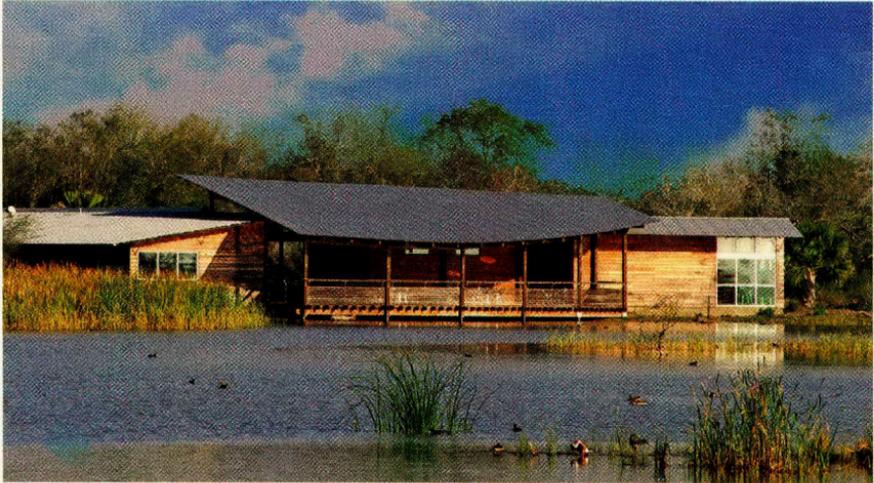
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This day-use section has a two-lane and a six-lane boat ramp and a lighted fish cleaning table.

Estero Llano Grande State Park

3301 S. International Blvd. (F.M. 1015), Weslaco 78596 📞 (956) 565-3919

GPS Latitude N 26 07 35.0796 | Longitude W 97 57 23.4648



Water is the magic ingredient for attracting wildlife in South Texas, and Estero Llano Grande State Park offers something special as the largest wetlands environment in the World Birding Center network. At the geographic center of the Rio Grande Valley, this 200-acre refuge in Weslaco attracts a spectacular array of South Texas wildlife with its varied landscape of shallow lakes, woodlands and thorn forest. Explore the park's many trails, boardwalks, pavilions and observation decks. While you are there, visit the park store, Humedales Alegres, which features unique souvenirs as well as wetland, butterfly, bird and other wildlife merchandise. A group camp facility with bunkhouse is also available.

Resaca de la Palma State Park

1000 New Carmen Ave., Brownsville 78521 📞 (956) 350-2920

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Resaca de la Palma State Park boasts the largest tract of land within the World Birding Center network. It is located at the Rio Grande River Delta and features 1,200 acres of semitropical habitat containing wetlands, mature woodland and mesquite savannah, all of which provide one of the most well-preserved ecosystems in South Texas. Whether strolling alongside the resaca or relaxing on the tram, experience the

great outdoors only minutes away from the urban environment of Brownsville. Hike to one of four observation decks and witness a diverse array of tropical wildlife. This unique site provides the ideal setting for outdoor recreation such as an early-morning bird count, interpretive plant tours, geocaching or biking. A park store has also been added.

Casa Navarro State Historic Site

228 South Laredo St., San Antonio 78207 📞 (210) 226-4801

This park is under the operation of the Texas Historical Commission.

The World Birding Center



The World Birding Center is a network of nine individual birding parks and sites throughout the Lower Rio Grande Valley, where some 500 different bird species can be observed. The network includes three state parks: Estero Llano Grande State Park in Weslaco, Resaca de la Palma State Park in Brownsville and Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park in Mission.

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Facility Indicators:

- Facilities/services provided
- Permitted but facilities not provided

Shelter Abbreviations:

- A Shelters with A/C
- H Motel/Lodging
- HR Hotel and Restaurant

Site Abbreviations:

- SHS State Historic Site
- SNA State Natural Area
- SP State Park
- TW Trailway
- K Mountain Biking
- L Surfaced

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