

State Parks

SUMMER DESTINATION SERIES

Enchanted Rock State Natural Area

Located just north of Fredericksburg in the Texas Hill Country, Enchanted Rock is one of the largest natural rock formations in the United States, with a dome that rises 425 feet above the ground (1,825 feet above sea level).

Designated as a National Natural Landmark in 1970, Enchanted Rock is also part of the Texas State Park System and attracts thousands of visitors annually.

visitfredericksburgtx.com/attractions-activities/enchanted-rock-state-natural-area/

Lost Maples State Natural Area

Nestled in the Hill Country only 1 ½ hours southwest of Kerrville, this park is a combination of rugged limestone canyons, plateau grasslands, wooded slopes and clear streams. The only maple forest in Texas is located in this 2,172 acre park.

tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/lost-maples

Palo Duro Canyon State Park

Known as the “Grand Canyon of Texas,” Palo Duro Canyon is 120 miles long, 20 miles long, and 800 feet deep. Palo Duro is one of the most popular mountain biking destinations in the country. Horseback riding, mountain climbing, camping and hiking are also popular activities.

palodurocanyon.com

Garner State Park

Located on the Frio River in Concan, Garner State Park is one of Texas’ most popular summer getaways. Whether it’s swimming, fishing, paddling, or tubing, most visitors to Garner find a way to get on or in the water. However, there are also “dry” activities such as miniature golf, birding, nature trails, hiking and more.

garnerstatepark.com

Mustang Island State Park

Mustang Island State Park includes five miles of beachfront and offers visitors fishing, camping, beachcombing, swimming, surfing, birding and other outdoor recreation options. Mustang Island State Park is also located just a short drive from the city of Corpus Christi.

tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/mustang-island

Longhorn Caverns State Park

Longhorn Caverns are a Hill Country wonder that housed Comanche Indians, Confederate Soldiers and, perhaps, an outlaw or two. Today the site is a state park, offering a number of tours and educational programs. Visiting this underground attraction is a great way to beat the heat during the summer months in Texas.

visitlonghorncavern.com

Guadalupe River State Park

Located in Comal County in the Texas Hill Country, Guadalupe River State Park encompasses a nine-mile stretch of the Guadalupe River, offering park visitors plenty of swimming and tubing opportunities.

tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/guadalupe-river

Hueco Tanks State Historic Site

Hueco Tanks offers a variety of outdoor activities, most notably camping and rock climbing. However, one of the biggest draws to this historic site are the prehistoric pictographs that dot the cave walls there. The other major draw is rock climbing, as Hueco Tanks is widely recognized as one of the top rock climbing sites in Texas.

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Devil’s River State Natural Area

Located just north of Del Rio on Texas’ famed Devil’s River, the Devil’s River State Natural Area offers a variety of outdoor activities in a remote setting. Canoeing, kayaking, mountain biking, hiking, fishing and swimming are just a few of the many activities available.

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Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site

Washington-on-the-Brazos is the location where the Convention of 1836 signed Texas’ Declaration of Independence from Mexico. The site also served as the Texas Capitol off and on through the early years of the Republic of Texas. Washington-on-the-Brazos is a great place to visit in order to get a true feel for how Texas began.

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