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# This is San Antonio

The Alamo City is primarily known for... well, the Alamo. But there's so much more to see. From the River Walk to Pearl, San Antonio is home to something for everyone. We're thrilled to guide you through your mission of discovery.









# A Historical Hub

The city's eighteenth-century Spanish Colonial missions—San Antonio de Valero (the Alamo), Concepción, San José, San Juan, and Espada—have been designated as a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage Site. Together, these five missions represent the largest collection of Spanish Colonial missions in the United States. Honoring the memory of the battles fought at the Alamo and San Jacinto, Fiesta San Antonio has remained the city's signature event since the late 19th century. For eleven days every April, the city gathers to celebrate the history, arts, and cuisine essential to its heritage. In 2018, San Antonio celebrated its Tricentennial with a yearlong calendar of events, activities, and innovative initiatives. This once-in-a-lifetime experience honored the city's people, heritage, and future, and launched the Alamo City into the next three hundred years. *National Geographic* also got in on the action by naming the city to its "Best of the World" list, calling it a must-see destination.

## San Antonio

By the Numbers

**1718**

The year San Antonio (and the Alamo) were founded.

**15 miles**

The length of the River Walk.

**#7**

San Antonio's rank on the list of most populated cities in the United States.

**1,492,510 people**

San Antonio's population.

**2.5 million**

Annual visitors to the Alamo.





⊗ FACING PAGE: The Alamo, photographed at sunrise, takes on a pink glow.

⊗ Texas' German heritage is preserved through events like Oktoberfest.



⊗ Traditional dancers perform during Fiesta San Antonio at Historic Market Square.

⊗ The restored Victorian lobby of The Menger Hotel.



**300,000+**

The number of participants in the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. march, which is considered the largest in the nation.

**750 feet**

Height of the Tower of the Americas.

**414**

The number of the Gunter Hotel room where King of the Delta Blues Robert Johnson recorded many of his legendary songs.

**5th**

San Antonio Spurs coach Gregg Popovich's place in 2018 on the list of the NBA's all-time coaching wins.



# A Culinary Capital

Recognizing the city's rich culinary heritage, local food movements, and enthusiasm for sustainability, UNESCO has designated San Antonio a Creative City of Gastronomy—the second city in the United States and the first in Texas to receive the honor.



⌘ The menu offerings at Pharm Table are organic, seasonal, locally sourced and delicious.

⌘ (1) Lobster roll at Shuck Shack. ⌘ (2) Chicken and waffles for brunch at Botika, located at Pearl. ⌘ (3) A cucumber martini from Paesanos. ⌘ (4) Guacamole prepared tableside at Boudro's Texas Bistro on the River Walk.



**\$0**

Cost of admission to the River Walk and all the San Antonio Missions.

**3**

Home to more than 3,500 animals, the San Antonio Zoo is the third largest in the country, spanning 35 acres.

**114 years**

The age of H-E-B grocery store, a Texas staple based in San Antonio.

**4**

The number of U.S. military facilities that comprise Joint Base San Antonio, including Fort Sam Houston, Randolph and Lackland Air Force Bases.





While renowned for Tex-Mex, the unique cuisine of the Texas and Mexico borderlands, San Antonio has welcomed a new generation of diners and culinary innovators. Thanks to these literal tastemakers, the city is evolving into a global culinary hub called Tex-Next. In addition to its strong roots of Mexican, Spanish, German, and French culinary traditions, San Antonio embraces global cuisines, including traditional and contemporary Italian, Japanese, and Israeli fare. Don't skip the dessert menu, from which you can satisfy your sweet tooth with Mexican churros and pan dulce, Czech pastries, Belgian crêpes, and inventive flavors of house-made ice cream. Like the cuisine, there's a boozy concoction for every taste. From micheladas in **Market Square**, to bustling breweries and distilleries throughout the city and margaritas on every corner, San Antonio loves to raise a glass.



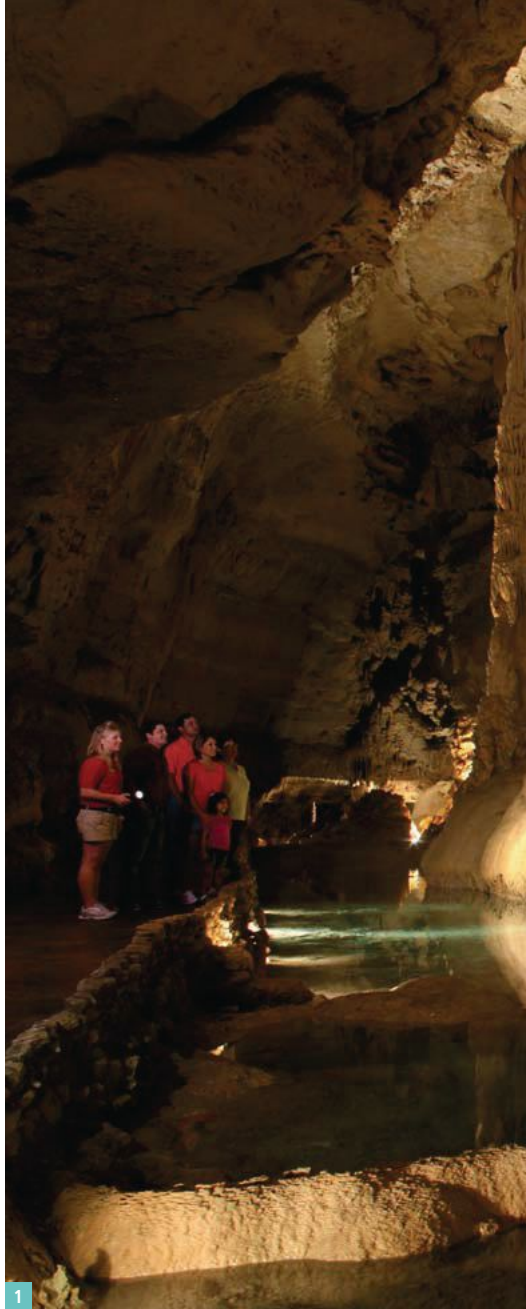
# A Great Place for Families

*Festival, Fantastico and Familia!*  
Want to experience all that this vast San Antonio playground has to offer? Bring your *familia muy grande*!

For families, there are events, museums, and attractions around every corner in San Antonio. Need facetime with a giraffe? Check out **San Antonio Zoo** or **Natural Bridge Wildlife Ranch**. Looking for thrills? Try Thunder Rapids at **Six Flags Fiesta Texas**. Want to explore giant underground caves? **Natural Bridge Caverns** is where to go. Want to join a Sesame Street Party Parade and visit a dolphin lagoon? **SeaWorld & Aquatica San Antonio** has those covered. Kids love LEGO and aquariums? **LEGOLAND Discovery Center** and **SEA LIFE Aquarium**. Looking for a theme park designed to be accessible to all visitors, regardless of ability or age? **Morgan's Wonderland** is the world's first.

Nobody does festivals and events like this fun-loving city—whether it's the city-wide, week-long April party called **Fiesta San Antonio** (with parades by land and river) or the renowned San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo. As they say in this most festive of cities: "Viva San Antonio."

❁ (1) Exploring the awe-inspiring ancient formations in underground caves at Natural Bridge Caverns. ❁ (2) Feeding the giraffes at San Antonio Zoo. ❁ (3) Fun at Six Flags Fiesta Texas. ❁ (4) Turtle Reef at SeaWorld & Aquatica San Antonio.







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# A Melting Pot of Arts and Culture



✿ Exploring ancient Greek, Roman and Egyptian art collections at the San Antonio Museum of Art.

✿ (CENTER) Putting the best foot forward at A Night in Old San Antonio, during Fiesta San Antonio.

✿ (BOTTOM) Artists and groups from around San Antonio come together to “chalk up” the city, hosted by local arts organization Artpace.



San Antonio is a melting pot of cultures. Its past and present intersect with a multitude of influences, intrinsic to the fabric of the South Texas metropolis: Cowboys and cowgirls, Spanish and German settlers, Mexican influence, poets, entertainers, artists—the list is long and all-encompassing.

From the cowboy artworks at the **Briscoe Western Art Museum** to the contemporaries at the **San Antonio Museum of Art**, the modernist painters at the **McNay Art Museum** to the paleontological exhibits at **The Witte Museum**, San Antonio's museum scene shines. Art lives everywhere: at picturesque galleries in **La Villita** and street festivals in Southtown, hidden under bridges on the River Walk, and stretching across building facades in colorful murals. Even historic neighborhoods such as King William and Monte Vista showcase walkable galleries



of architecture. San Antonio's burgeoning performing arts scene, championed by the **Tobin Center for the Performing Arts** and the **Majestic and Empire Theatres**, offers a full calendar of dance, opera, theater, live comedy, and celebrated international, national, and local musical acts. The **Institute of Texan Cultures** and the **San Antonio African American Community Archive and Museum** are great places for visitors to learn more about the impact of all the people and cultures that have shaped the city.





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# A Stage for the Performing Arts

On any given night, visitors to San Antonio's historic theaters and music venues are awed by live music, dance, theater, and spoken word performances.

🌀 Catch a show at historic Aztec Theatre, built in 1926 and located in the heart of downtown.

On the banks of the River Walk, the state-of-the-art **Tobin Center for the Performing Arts** features world-class dance, musical, and theatrical performances. Resident companies include Ballet San Antonio, AtticRep Theater Company, Opera San Antonio, Youth Orchestra San Antonio, the Classical Music Institute, Children's Chorus, and Chamber Orchestra. Even locals line up early for shows at the **Majestic Theatre**, where the Spanish Mediterranean-style venue is as stunning as the performances. Built in 1929, this National Historic Landmark is home to the Broadway in San Antonio series. Beautifully restored to its original 1914 splendor, the gold-clad **Charline McCombs Empire Theatre** transports guests to the golden age of Hollywood, when icons including Charlie Chaplin and Lou Chaney promoted their new films at this former vaudeville house-turned-motion-picture theater. Reflecting the city's Mexican heritage, the **Aztec Theatre** hosts

a variety of concerts, films, and other events in a Mesoamerican architectural work of art. In the historic Westside, the **Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center** is the city's home for Latino, Chicano, and Native American performing arts and entertainment. The GCAC's professional resident program the Guadalupe Dance Company specializes in Mexican folklórico and flamenco dance styles, and the Galería Guadalupe showcases art exhibitions emphasizing local and regional artists. And to the east, in the Dignowity Hill Historic District, the **Carver Community Cultural Center** celebrates its African and African American heritage with music, theater, spoken word, and dance. Other great places to see concerts and special events include the AT&T Center, the 64,000-seat **Alamodome**, and the 2,300-seat **Lila Cockrell Theatre**, tucked inside the **Henry B. González Convention Center**, where traditional performing arts as well as multi-media events are staged.





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# A Sports Lower's Dream

From the **San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo**, which attracts more than two million visitors annually, to nationally televised **Spurs** basketball, San Antonio sports get everyone cheering.

When the streets fill with black and silver, it must be basketball season. The Alamo City is home to the five-time NBA champion San Antonio **Spurs** and the multitude of fans who love them. San Antonio is also home to the seven-time Texas League champion San Antonio Missions, a minor league baseball team, as well as the San Antonio **Rampage**, an American Hockey League team. Recent additions to the San Antonio sports family include the city's first Major League Soccer team. In 2016, San Antonio welcomed the **San Antonio Football Club** (SAFC), which plays in the United Soccer League. The eyes of Texas college football fans are upon San Antonio each year when the annual NCAA Division **Valero Alamo Bowl** is held here in December or January. Each April, golf fans descend on San Antonio for the annual Valero Texas Open, a 96-year-old pro golf tournament on the PGA TOUR.



⌘ (TOP) San Antonio Spurs professional basketball team's mascot The Coyote waves the team flag at a game. ⌘ (ABOVE LEFT) Enjoy rodeo at San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo and Tejas Rodeo in Bulverde. ⌘ (ABOVE RIGHT) Balloons and confetti fill the Alamodome after a Valero Alamo Bowl football game.

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# An Outdoor Oasis

With its mild climate, greenbelts, waterways, and easy access to the famous Texas Hill Country, San Antonio offers a multitude of recreational activities for outdoor enthusiasts, people with active lifestyles, and sports fans.

Whether you prefer your green spaces manicured, like the **San Antonio**

## **Botanical Garden,**

or rugged and interactive, like the 65-plus miles of hike and bike trails of the Howard W. Peak Greenway Trails System, San Antonio's parks will get your heart beating. With more than 300 days of sunshine annually, San Antonians play a lot of golf, and with more than 50 local courses and nearly as many within an hour's drive, Alamo City golfers can continuously challenge their games. Try **Alamo City Golf Trail, Canyon Springs Golf Club, The Club at Sonterra, and The Quarry Golf Course.** Ride the life-giving waters of the San Antonio River on a colorful river barge or kayak or paddle board. Or explore the River Walk's 15-mile path by foot or bike through urban landscapes, riparian ecosystems, and parks. The beautiful 300-plus-acre Brackenridge Park offers visitors a full day of activities, from the Japanese Tea Garden and **San Antonio Zoo,** to the beloved Brackenridge Park Golf Course, designed in 1916 and designated as a top twenty golf course in Texas by *Golfweek*. Nearby is Kiddie Park amusement park, **The DoSeum** children's museum, and **The Witte Museum,** with its focus on Texas nature, science and culture.





(TOP) Stand-up  
 paddling along the  
 San Antonio River. (C)  
 (CENTER) Frolicking in the  
 San Antonio Botanical  
 Garden. (B)  
 (BOTTOM LEFT)  
 Hitting the links at La  
 Cantera Golf Club.



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# What's New in San Antonio

San Antonio marked its Tricentennial—that's 300 years of history!—just last year, and the city is *still* celebrating. We welcome more than thirty-seven million visitors annually to explore some of the newest offerings in and around town. Here's what else is new (and coming soon!) to San Antonio.

## FAMILY FUN

The **San Antonio Zoo's** new rhino habitat, which features a viewing deck, as well as a waterfall with a creek and a mud wallow for the animals, is set to open in 2019. A special breeding program of south white rhinoceroses will begin later this year.

Home to the 1968 World's Fair, the popular Hemisfair downtown park is undergoing a three-phase renovation. Yanaguana Garden, the first phase of the project, is now open daily to the public, and features a four-acre play environment designed for all ages, including a splash pad, a sand play

area, climbing structures, swings and spinners, and several eateries, including **Dough Pizzeria Napoletana**, Commonwealth Coffeehouse & Bakery, Con Safos Cocina y Cantina, **Chocolazzo**, and Paeteria San Antonio.



**SEA LIFE Aquarium** and **LEGOLAND Discovery Center** are new to **The Shops at Rivercenter**. SEA LIFE features a tropical ocean tank with a walk-through underwater tunnel, and LEGOLAND Discovery Center is the ultimate indoor LEGO® playground for families with children ages three to ten, featuring interactive rides, a 4-D cinema, and the popular MINILAND exhibit with San Antonio landmarks made of LEGO® bricks.



## ARTS & CULTURE

Southtown is an eclectic arts district set apart by its intermingling of 1800s German architecture, repurposed warehouses, art galleries, and an alluring culinary scene. Nearby, a new contemporary art center—Ruby City—will open in fall 2019 with more than 800 paintings, sculptures, and video works by artists from around the world.

**NEW!** Adventure awaits visitors of all ages at **The Witte Museum's** exhibition, *Survival: The Exhibition*, which made its world premiere in May and runs through September 2, 2019. *Survival: The Exhibition* is the world's first and only traveling exhibition that provides practical, real-world, and science-based techniques to prepare visitors of all ages for survival situations. The interactive and informative exhibition features nine zones that offer a safe place to learn and test essential survival skills.

**NEW!** Broadway Cultural Corridor Revitalization is occurring rapidly on Broadway, which connects many of San Antonio's cultural attractions just north of downtown, including the **San Antonio Museum of Art**, **The DoSeum**, Brackenridge Park, **The Witte Museum**, **San Antonio Zoo**, Japanese Tea Garden, **San Antonio Botanical Garden**, and the **McNay Art Museum**.



At **Six Flags Fiesta Texas**, a thrilling new pendulum ride inspired by the DC supervillain—named The Joker—will complete a superhero trilogy of rides, along with Superman Krypton Coaster and the first-of-its-kind Wonder Woman Golden Lasso Coaster. The Joker will be one of the world's tallest pendulum rides and the fastest in park history, reaching a top speed of 75 miles per hour, as it whips back and forth—higher and higher to give riders a staggering view of the world below them.

**SeaWorld San Antonio's** water park, **Aquatica**, recently opened Ihu's Breakaway Falls, the tallest drop slide in Texas. At SeaWorld San Antonio, Turtle Reef, an interactive sea turtle attraction,

will give guests an up-close look at threatened and endangered sea turtles.

The **San Antonio Botanical Garden** has opened its new, 2.5-acre Family Adventure Garden, with 15 themed areas designed to encourage nature play and discovery. All ages can explore bubbling creeks, thundering ridges, beckoning hills, and sandy shores.

**Andretti Indoor Karting & Games** opened its first Texas location at The Rim Shopping Center. The facility features high-speed electric Superkarts on two, three-level tracks; more than 100 interactive games; a ropes course and a zipline; racing simulators; laser tag, and more.

## NEW!

### **San Pedro Creek Culture Park**

Just west of downtown, the San Pedro Creek Culture Park exemplifies beauty with purpose. The historic creek, where the native Payapa people lived for thousands of years prior to the Spanish settlements, is transforming into a two-mile, linear park that engages both body and mind. Public art by local and international artists, thoughtful architectural design, local craft and historic preservation all enhance native landscaping and ecosystem restoration. Water is life, the park reminds us, and so is art. In addition to temporary installations, performance art and special events, visitors enjoy tile murals, ceramic artwork, and poetry and historic text etched into limestone—all reflecting the cultural history of San Antonio. Creative ingenuity transforms even the flood control tunnel inlet into art. Here, water cascades over stainless steel panels that, pierced and backlit, form the pattern of the night sky.

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# Family Fun

San Antonio is bursting at the seams with adrenaline-fueled attractions, top-tier museums, and delicious eateries—and much more!

## SA NOTABLE TIP



### STEVE EARLE

San Antonio native  
singer-songwriter.

“**Mi Tierra** is still as good as everyone says it is; it doesn't disappoint. And the **San Antonio Zoo** is great—it's one of the best in the country!”







## Theme Park Roundup

### NEW! Six Flags Fiesta Texas

All the rides, food, and fun to make your day unforgettable, **Six Flags** is now open weekends and holidays year-round. Seasonal events include the popular **Fright Fest** celebration with special park décor, haunted houses, and live entertainment, and a festive **Holiday in the Park**, featuring the nativity musical, *The Majesty of Christmas*. For thrills, experience the world's first-of-its-kind **Wonder Woman Golden Lasso Coaster** and **The Joker**, the world's tallest pendulum ride, towering 17 stories, set to debut in summer 2019.

### NEW! SeaWorld & Aquatica San Antonio

Get your adrenaline pumping at Aquatica's new **Ihu's Breakaway Falls** (the tallest drop slide in Texas!) and the high-speed waterslide **Taumata Racer**. Look for the new **Turtle Reef**, an interactive sea turtle attraction and bio-diverse habitat with green sea turtles and multi-colored fish, as well as three family-friendly rides: **Sea Swinger**, a new pendulum ride, and **Riptide Rescue**, the newest spinner ride, and **Super Grover's Box Car Derby** coaster.



⊞ ABOVE: Wonder Woman Golden Lasso Coaster at Six Flags Fiesta Texas.

⊞ FACING PAGE: The colorful *Persian Ceiling* installation by American glass artist Dale Chihuly dazzles visitors to the San Antonio Museum of Art.

⊞ BELOW: Sea Swinger at SeaWorld & Aquatica San Antonio.



## Action & Adventure



### NEW! SEA LIFE Aquarium

At the Shops at Rivercenter, this new family adventure destination offers more than 250 species of marine life, including sharks, sea turtles, and more. Check out ocean views from an underwater tunnel; touch an anemone, sea star or sea urchin; and get close to stingrays.



### NEW! LEGOLAND® Discovery Center

Opening just above the new SEA LIFE Aquarium, this ultimate indoor LEGO playground features ten themed play zones, a LEGO 4-D cinema, MINILAND, Duplo village, and a café.

## MORE FAMILY FUN

Ideas for big fun with your kids!

**NEW! iFly** Feel the rush of flying at this indoor skydiving favorite.

### Buckhorn Museum & Saloon and Texas Ranger Museum

Soak up Texas history and lore, eat, and more.

### Kiddie Park San Antonio

This pint-sized fair with vintage rides is sure to take parents on a trip down memory lane while children make happy memories of their own.

### Main Event

Family fun includes bowling, video games, laser tag, gravity ropes, and billiards.

### Morgan's Wonderland

The world's first fully accessible theme park now houses Inspiration Island, an ultra-accessible splash park.

### Amazing Mirror Maze & The Vault Laser Challenge

Find your way through this cool 4-D experience.

### Extreme Escape

Choose from four different escape themes for a mind-bending experience.



### Tower of the Americas

Take in sky-high views and dine at the revolving restaurant.

### Splashtown San Antonio

Splashtown's variety of rides, pools, and sports courts engages athletes, sun bathers, and thrill-seekers.

### Schlitterbahn

Cool off with lazy rivers, uphill water coasters, surfing rides and more at this famed water park.

### Tejas Rodeo Company

For a taste of authentic Western heritage, take the family to the rodeo, held just north of San Antonio.

### TopGolf

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⊗ The DoSeum

### NEW! The DoSeum

Experience “*Going Places*,” a fun STEM exhibit (June 1–Sept. 8), where kids explore the science of getting around over land, sea, air, and space. Play with sound and light in Sensations Studio, check out the Spy Academy, or head to Little Town where toddlers can explore and play.

### Natural Bridge Caverns

Discover underground chambers with spectacular formations, and embark on the Hidden Passages Tour where mystery waits to be uncovered. Test your balance, agility and strength on the Canopy Challenge ropes course and zip lines.



⊗ Natural Bridge Wildlife Ranch

### Natural Bridge Wildlife Ranch

Adventure awaits at Natural Bridge Wildlife Ranch where zebras and buffalo roam. Grab your safari hat and experience an African safari—Texas-style!—as you drive through and view more than 500 species.

## GOOD BITES

You'll delight your taste buds and have a ball at these family locales.

### Dough Pizzeria Napoletana

Order Southern Italian cuisine and pizzas made from scratch.

### Chamoy City Limits

Cool off with a flavorful icy raspas at this famed food truck.

### Dave & Buster's, The Shops at Rivercenter

Food and fun for the entire family.

### The Guenther House

Dine in this elegant 1860s home built by Pioneer Flour founder Carl Hilmar Guenther.

### Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville

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### La Gloria at Pearl

A colorful art-filled space with tasty tacos and hand-crafted cocktails.

### Lonestar Café

Juicy steaks and barbecue served on a spacious Riverwalk balcony.

### Mi Tierra Café y Panadería

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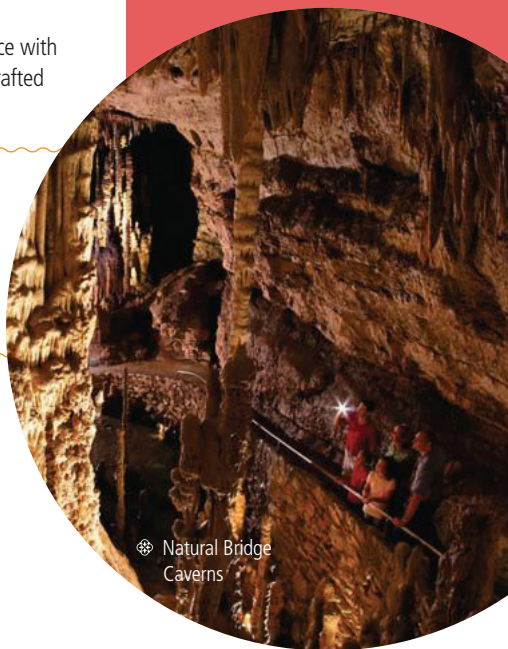
## SA NOTABLE TIP



### NAOMI SHIHAB NYE

Renowned poet, songwriter, and novelist.

“To get a feel for our culture, visit **The Institute of Texan Cultures**. Kids love it—there's a movie on the ceiling! Don't miss the free movie in the visitor's center at Mission San José—it explains this part of Texas better than anything else I ever saw... I have seen it 40 times and cry every time—exquisite!”



⊗ Natural Bridge Caverns





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# Three Days of Fun

## Downtown Delights

Start where it all began—the Alamo. Pick up the activity book sold in the gift shop to ensure you remember the experience forever—just like they tell you to. Take a short walk to the nearby River Walk and board a **GO RIO** river barge for a narrated, 35-minute ride. Afterwards, take the 90-second elevator ride to the top of the Tower of the Americas, and take in mesmerizing views of the city. If you still have energy to burn, take in an **RJA Ghost Tour** and discover San Antonio's haunted history!

## A Pulse-Pounding Day

Pack up the family and head to one of the city's top theme parks! **SeaWorld & Aquatica San Antonio** offers rides and animal experiences that will keep your family busy all day. Nearby, **Six Flags Fiesta**

**Texas** offers thrills galore for everyone from tots to teens to parents. Both offer water parks, too! Discover the marvels of nature at **Natural Bridge Caverns**, where families can explore caves and view ancient stalagmites, stalactites, flowstones, and soda straws.

## Get Outside

The beautiful 300-acre Brackenridge Park is home to **San Antonio Zoo**. Don't miss the new rhino habitat, scheduled animal feedings, and behind-the-scenes events. Finish with a ride on the park's historic miniature train. The nearby **Witte Museum** will have kids digging for dinosaur bones. Head over to **The DoSeum**, where 104,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor space engages kids of all ages and interests, inspiring young scientists, creators, and dreamers. At the nearby **San Antonio Botanical Garden**, check out the new Family Adventure Garden, where kids can roll, explore, climb, and splash for hours.



## RELAX

You deserve a break! Get a spa treatment at **Windflower Spa at Hyatt Regency Hill Country Resort & Spa**, or head to **Loma de Vida Spa & Wellness** at **La Cantera Resort & Spa** for a secluded sanctuary.

## MORE FUN

### Guinness World Records Museum, Ripley's Haunted Adventure, Tomb Rider 3-D

Three attractions in one spot! Try the new Attempt Arena for a chance to earn an official Guinness World Records title, then brave Ripley's Haunted Adventure haunted house, with live actors and special effects. Get ready to scream as you journey into the ancient tomb of an Egyptian God at Tomb Rider 3-D!

### San Antonio Fire Museum

Unlock the heroic past of the city's 160-year-old fire department.

### Texas Air Museum

Explore Texas' role in development of military air power at Stinson Field.

### The Magik Theatre

Children's books come to life on the stage.

### Texas Transportation Museum

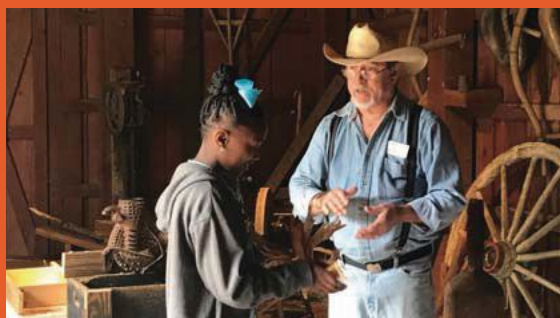
Hop on a locomotive and delve into transportation history.

### Your Biker Gang Tour

See the city on the back of fat-tired electric minibikes.



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❁ Fiesta San Antonio takes place in April.

# Major Events & Festivals

2019–2020

With more than 300 days of sunshine a year, it's no wonder San Antonio has a calendar packed with concerts, fairs, festivals, and rodeos. No matter when you visit, be sure to check out some of the city's top events.

## MAY 2019

### Armed Forces River Parade

Dedicated to the Armed Forces, decorated floats travel down the River Walk.

### Cinco De Mayo

Celebrations to commemorate the Mexican Army's victory over the French Empire in 1862 include a festival with music and food at historic Market Square.

### Culinaria: A Wine and Culinary Arts Festival

Culinaria celebrates San Antonio as a premier wine and food destination and an important gateway to Mexico and Latin America.

### Fiesta Noche del Rio

Performances on Friday and Saturday evenings feature songs and dances

of Mexico, Spain, and Argentina at the River Walk's historic Arneson River Theatre.

### Tejano Conjunto Festival

The oldest conjunto festival in the U.S. happens in Rosedale Park and features more than 30 of the best bands in this lively genre. Jamming accordions and the strings of *bajo sextos* make a style reminiscent of European polka music.

## JUNE 2019

### San Antonio Summer Art & Jazz Festival

The "SAS Fest" is a free, three-day event featuring an outstanding lineup of local and nationally known jazz artists, an arts-and-crafts fair, and local foods.





## THEME PARK HAPPENINGS

### SEAWORLD & AQUATICA SAN ANTONIO

#### OCTOBER

Howl-O-Scream

#### NOVEMBER—JANUARY

Christmas Celebration

#### FEBRUARY

Opens for the season

#### APRIL—MAY

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#### SEPTEMBER—OCTOBER

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#### NOVEMBER—JANUARY

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#### JANUARY—MARCH

Mardi Gras Festival & Parade

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#### MAY

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## JUNE 2019

### Texas Folklife Festival

Revel in all things Texas, including food, music, and crafts at this annual festival hosted by the Institute of Texan Cultures.

## JULY 2019

### Balcones Heights Jazz Festival

This free concert series takes place Friday evenings at the Wonderland of the Americas Amphitheater.

### Fourth of July Celebration

Enjoy fireworks, concerts, and celebrations at locations across San Antonio.

## AUGUST 2019

### Ford Canoe Challenge

This canoe and kayak competition along the River Walk is a local favorite.

## SEPTEMBER 2019

### Diez y Seis Events

Marking Mexico's independence from Spain, San Antonio celebrates with events throughout the city during Hispanic Heritage month.

## Fotoseptiembre USA

Explore exhibits of photography and photo-based works at various galleries and exhibition spaces.

### Jazz'SA Live

The nation's top jazz entertainers join local and regional talent for this free, two-day event in charming Travis Park.

### World Heritage Festival

This annual five-day event celebrates and promotes the San Antonio missions, an UNESCO World Heritage Site.

### Oktoberfest San Antonio

Head over to the Beethoven Halle und Garten to celebrate the ultimate German beer and food festival.

## NOVEMBER 2019

### Día de los Muertos

Popular Day of the Dead events take place at Market Square and La Villita.

### Diwali San Antonio

This free festival celebrates Indian culture with colorful lights, Indian music, dancing, food, and a special lighting ceremony.

### Ford Holiday River Parade & Lighting Ceremony

A night parade, costumed float riders, and holiday lights illuminate the River Walk.

### Luminaria

An epic, multi-day contemporary arts festival featuring regional, national, and international artists.

## DECEMBER 2019

### Celebrate 2020 in San Antonio

Ring in the New Year with fireworks, live music, food booths, and fun in downtown San Antonio.

### Citywide Holiday Celebrations

From boat-caroling on the River Walk to extravaganzas at SeaWorld San Antonio and Six Flags Fiesta Texas, the city keeps things festive during the holiday season.

### San Antonio Rock 'N' Roll Marathon & Half Marathon

Run or cheer during the famous 13.1- and 26.2-mile course—with plenty of live music along the way.

### Valero

### Alamo Bowl

College football comes to the Alamodome for a post-season collegiate bowl game featuring the top Pac-12 and Big 12 teams.

## JANUARY 2020

### San Antonio Cocktail Conference

This annual conference brings together top bartenders for four days of seminars, tastings, and cocktail parties.

## FEBRUARY 2020

### Asian Festival

This family-friendly event features Asian-American music, cultural performances, food, fashion, and crafts.



☼ Día de los Muertos at Pearl.

CHECK EVENT WEBSITES FOR  
DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS, AND PRICES.





🌀 Fiesta San Antonio crowns.

## Battle of the Alamo Commemoration

Relive the early days of Texas as the San Antonio Living History Association brings the Battle of the Alamo to life.

## San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo

Held at the AT&T Center, the rodeo features great entertainment with star-studded artists and PRCA rodeo performances, plus shopping, a carnival, and livestock shows.

## MARCH 2020

### Contemporary Art Month

This month-long celebration of contemporary arts features more than 400 exhibitions spread over more than 50 venues.

## San Antonio Folk Dance Festival

Celebrate with a weekend of international folk dancing and culture.

## St. Patrick's Day River Parade & Festival

Floats release environmentally friendly green dye into the San Antonio River, transforming it into the River Shannon.

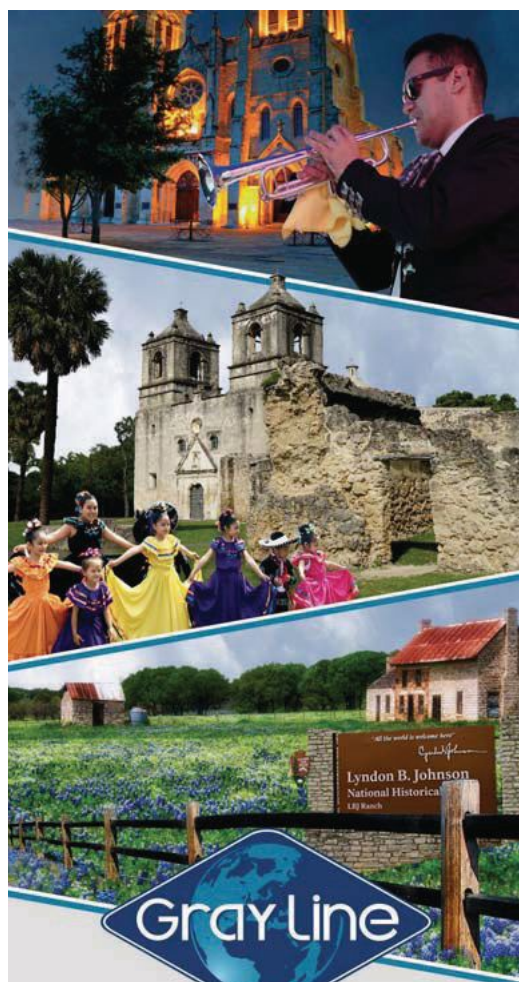
## APRIL 2020

### Fiesta San Antonio

Join more than three million revelers at Fiesta, one of San Antonio's oldest traditions. Don't miss the Battle of Flowers Parade or A Night in Old San Antonio, two of the most popular events.

### Valero Texas Open

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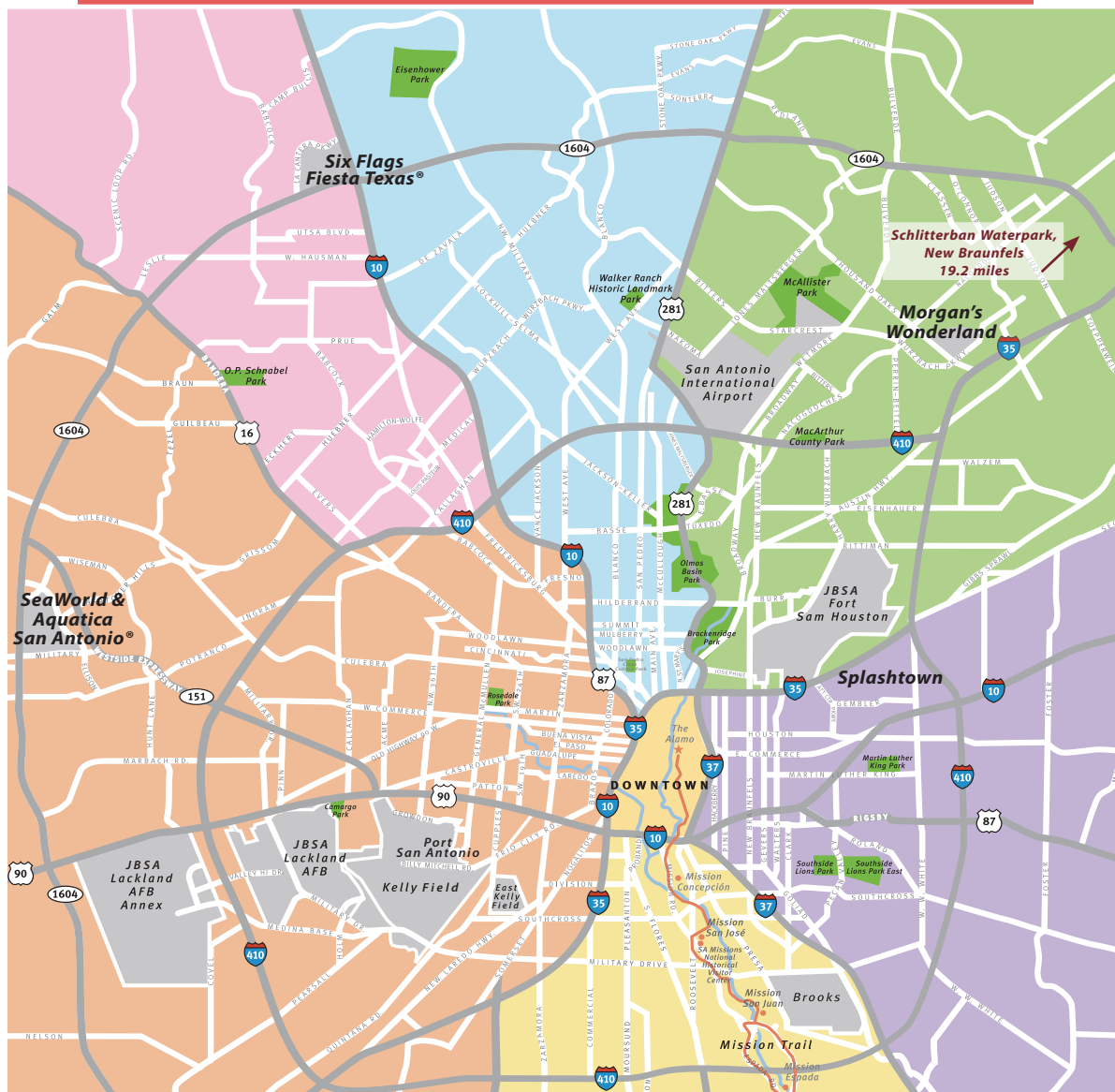




# San Antonio AREA MAPS

For guided tours that provide a comprehensive, interactive perspective on hidden gems and themed experiences, check out

**THE BARWALK, FOOD CHICK TOURS, NIGHTLY SPIRITS,  
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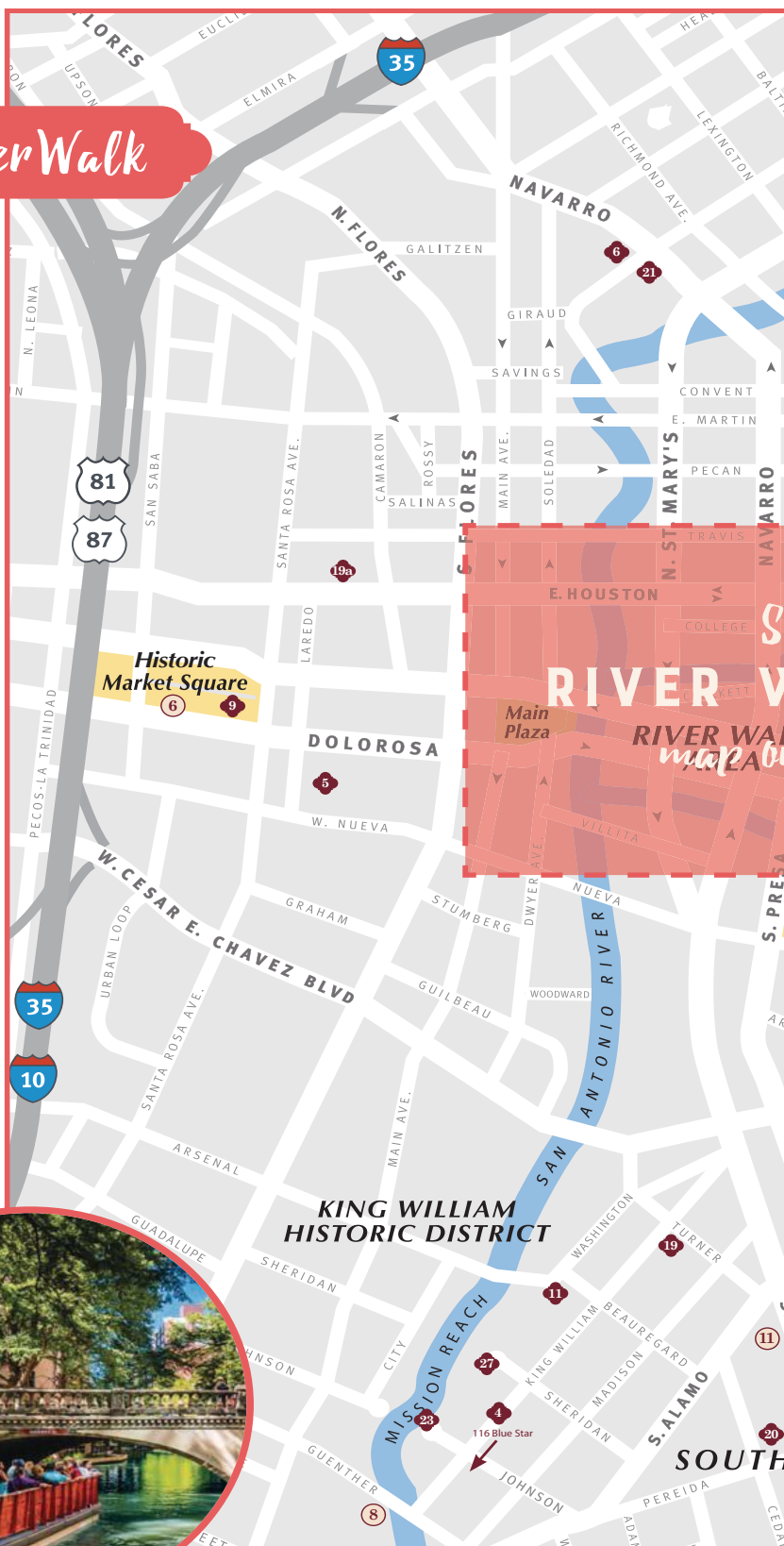




# Downtown/River Walk

## POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 The Alamo
- 2 The Alamo dome
- 3 The Aztec Theatre
- 4 Blue Star Arts Complex
- 5 Casa Navarro State Historic Site
- 6 Central Library
- 7 Hemisfair park
- 8 The Henry B. González Convention Center
- 9 Historic Market Square
- 10 The Instituto Cultural de México
- 11 King William Historic District
- 12 La Villita Historic Arts Village
- 13 Main Plaza/San Fernando Cathedral
- 14 The Majestic/Empire Theatres
- 15 The River Walk
- 16 The Shops at Rivercenter
- 17 San Antonio Fire Museum
- 18 San Antonio Museum of Art
- 19 San Antonio Art League & Museum
- 19a San Pedro Creek Culture Park
- 20 Southtown Arts District
- 21 Southwest School of Art
- 22 Spanish Governor's Palace
- 23 Steves Homestead
- 24 Tobin Center for the Performing Arts
- 25 Tower of the Americas
- 26 VFW Post 76
- 27 Villa Finale
- 28 Official Visitor Information Center





**1 Ácena HotMex CoolBar**

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**2 Biga on the Banks**

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**3 Boudro's Texas Bistro**

*Boudros.com, 210-224-8484*

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**4 The Briscoe Western Art Museum**

*BriscoeMuseum.org, 210-299-4499*

Located on the San Antonio River Walk, the Briscoe Western Art Museum brings to life the vibrant history and heritage of the American West through art, artifacts, and cultural programs. Museum highlights include Pancho Villa's saddle, an interactive Alamo diorama, Santa Anna's ceremonial sword, and a lush outdoor sculpture garden.

**5 The Crockett Hotel**

*CrockettHotel.com, 877-958-6040*

The Crockett Hotel is a proud member of Historic Hotels of America®, the official program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation for recognizing and celebrating the finest historic hotels across America.

**6 Historic Market Square**

*Marketsquaresa.com, 210-207-8600*

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**7 La Villita Historic Arts Village**

*Lavillitasanantonio.com, 210-207-8614*

La Villita, San Antonio's Historic Arts District, features galleries, boutiques, and restaurants that showcase artisanal jewelry, copper, bath and body, wax melts, mixed-media artwork, leather goods, handcrafted wares, and curated textiles. Accessible from the River Walk at the Arneson River Theatre, this local entrepreneurial gem provides a unique shopping experience.

**8 The Guenther House**

*Guentherhouse.com, 210-227-1061*

Art nouveau home of Pioneer Flour Mills founder and restaurant, with homey American and Tex-Mex fare, brunch and outdoor dining.







## River Walk Area

- 9 Paesanos River Walk**  
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 Classic and contemporary Italian and Mediterranean dining with riverside seating.
- 10 Rio Rio Cantina and Naked Iguana Lounge**  
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- 11 Rosario's Mexican Café y Cantina**  
*RosariosSA.com, 210-223-1806*  
 A favorite among locals, this award-winning restaurant in the historic Southtown/ King William District combines traditional south-of-the-border dishes with authentic house specialties—all prepared with a contemporary twist.
- 12 UTSA Institute of Texan Cultures**  
*TexanCultures.com, 210-458-2300*  
 A cultural history museum documenting Texas' diverse ethnic heritage. The main exhibit floor includes more than 20 cultures that came to Texas, whose traditions, customs, and ways of life influenced the state's unique character. Smithsonian Affiliate and member of North American Reciprocal Museums.
- The Menger Hotel**  
**13** *Mengerhotel.com, 210-223-4361*  
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- 14 Yard House**  
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- 15 SEA LIFE Aquarium & LEGOLAND Discovery Center**  
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- 16 The Westin River Walk San Antonio Hotel and Zocca Cuisine D'Italia**  
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- 17 County Line BBQ**  
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## West/SeaWorld

### POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 Basilica of the National Shrine of the Little Flower
- 2 Deco District on Fredericksburg
- 3 Government Canyon
- 4 Guadalupe Cultural Community Center & the Virgen de Guadalupe Mosaic
- 5 JBSA Lackland AFB
- 6 Nelson Wolf Stadium
- 7 SeaWorld & Aquatica San Antonio
- 8 Woodlawn Lake Park

- 1 San Antonio Central-Balcones Heights**  
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# North Central/Airport

## POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 Monte Vista Historic District
- 2 Museum Reach
- 3 Phil Hardberger Park & Dog Park
- 4 San Antonio College/Scobee Planetarium

### 1 Paesanos 1604

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### 4 North Star Mall

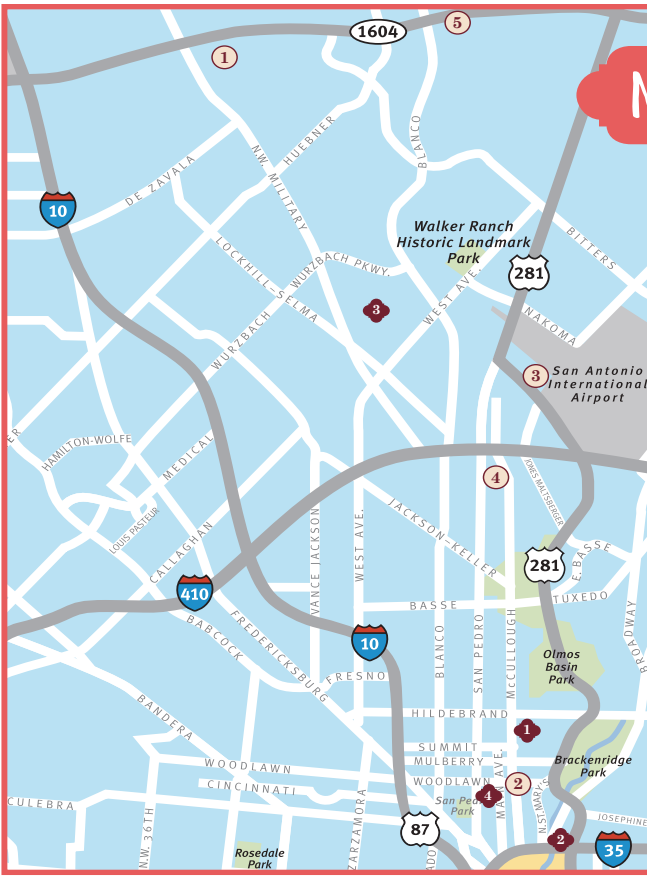
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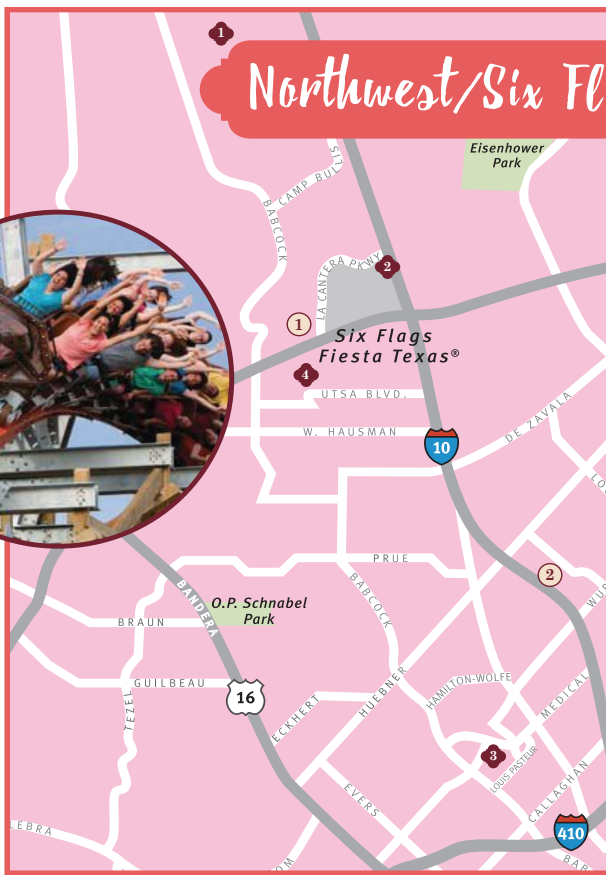


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## Northwest/Six Flags/Medical Center



### POINTS OF INTEREST

- ① Friedrich Park
- ② Six Flags Fiesta Texas
- ③ South Texas Medical Center
- ④ The University of Texas-San Antonio

① **The Shops at La Cantera**  
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## East/NT&T Center

### POINTS OF INTEREST

- ① Alamodome
- ② Carver Community Cultural Center
- ③ Ellis Alley/St. Paul Square
- ④ Hays Street Bridge
- ⑤ Old SA City Cemeteries Historic District
- ① **San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo**  
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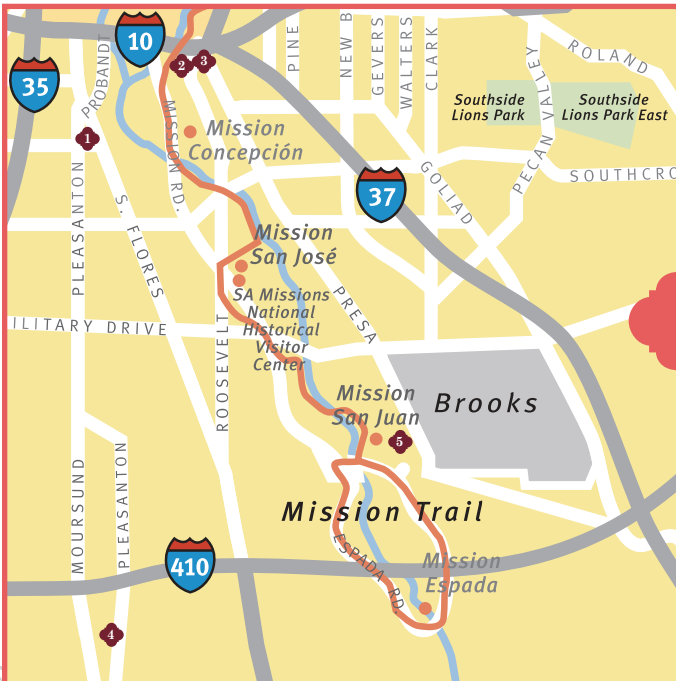




## Northwest/Morgan's Wonderland

### POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 Brackenridge Park
  - 2 The DoSeum
  - 3 Japanese Tea Garden
  - 4 McAllister Park
  - 5 Pearl
  - 6 Quadrangle & U.S. Army Medical Museum at JBSA Fort Sam Houston
  - 7 San Antonio Botanical Garden
  - 8 San Antonio International Airport
  - 9 The Witte Museum
  - 10 San Antonio Zoo
- 1 **Alamo Quarry Market**  
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  - 2 **Paesanos Lincoln Heights**  
*Paesanos.com, 210-828-5191*  
Classic and contemporary Italian and Mediterranean dining.
  - 3 **Cappy's**  
*cappysrestaurant.com, 210-828-9669*  
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  - 4 **Cappycinos**  
*cappycinos.com, 210-828-6860*  
Cappycino's Bistro and Bar offers burgers, pizzas, sandwiches, soups and salads, along with dessert crepes. The long bar features an extensive beverage menu with sought-after options.
  - 5 **Mama's Cafe**  
*mamasrestaurants.com, 210-826-8303*  
Cappy Lawton conceived Mama's Café in 1981 and operated it until 1988. Starting Summer 2019, the Lawton family will be doing so once again. Mama's is being restored to its original glory and adding a few things learned in the last 30 years!



## South Missions

### POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 Confluence Park
- 2 Mission Reach – Hike/Bike Trail
- 3 The Missions National Historical Park
- 4 Mitchell Lake Audubon Center
- 5 The Nature Trail at Mission San Juan



## Beyond San Antonio

### POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 Blanco
- 2 Boerne
- 3 Castroville
- 4 Comfort
- 5 New Braunfels
- 6 Panna Maria San Marcos

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**5 Natural Bridge Wildlife Ranch**  
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**6 Schlitterbahn Waterpark & Resort “World’s Best Waterpark”**  
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 Just 90 miles west of San Antonio lies the Texas Hill Country River Region. The Sabin, Nueces and Frio Rivers offer endless outdoor fun, and the natural beauty of the canyons and Garner State Park make Uvalde County an exciting vacation destination.

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# Where to Eat Now





San Antonians have always appreciated the city's rich culinary heritage—welcoming local food movements while embracing eclectic flavors from the past.

When the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) designated San Antonio a “Creative City of Gastronomy,” the rest of the world saw what locals have been tasting.



⊗ LEFT: Dough Pizzeria Napoletana offers Southern Italian cuisine and pizzas.

⊗ Prickly pear margaritas at Boudro's Texas Bistro.

## Local Flavors

### Dining By District

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From downtown's long-standing classics to Pearl's innovative new eateries, San Antonio dishes up authentic flavor all over town.

River Walk

The iconic River Walk provides a feast for the eyes and palate, and everyone hungers for that perfect outdoor table with a view. On the River Walk, towering cypress trees, stone bridges arching over the gentle river, and neon reflections on a mariachi's glossy *guitarrón* are all on the menu.

The tri-level, ultra-modern **Ácenar** is not your average Tex-Mex joint. Among the favorites of the Nuevo Tex-Mex menu are short-rib tacos, house-smoked salmon nachos, and tableside guacamole. Celebrating 20 years, **Biga on the Banks** sets the standard for fine dining on the River Walk. Chef Bruce Auden created a menu that mixes European, Tex-Mex, American, and Asian-influenced dishes in an industrial-chic atmosphere. **Boudro's Texas Bistro** embraces the regional flavors for which Texas and the Southwest have come to be known. Start with tableside-prepared guacamole before sliding into an order of pecan-grilled lamb chops with peach chutney, and wash it all down with a prickly-pear margarita. Locals and visitors alike gather on the spacious patio of **Paesanos Riverwalk** for authentic Italian cuisine al fresco. In the mood for seafood? **Bubba Gump Shrimp Co.**, **Joe's Crab Shack**, and **Landry's Seafood House** are steps away. And for a romantic meal on the River Walk, **Ostra** is known for its exquisite seafood, including its acclaimed Oyster Bar.

“Iron Chef Gauntlet” contestant and chef Jason Dady opened **Range** to showcase the bounty of the Texas Hill Country. Nearly all of the eatery's meat is sourced from Texas-based 44 Farms, from the house dry-aged New York strip, to the bone-in ribeye, tomahawk chop,



SA NOTABLE TIP



JOHNNY HERNANDEZ

Celebrated chef whose restaurants include **Burgerteca**, **The Frutería** and **La Gloria**.

“ I like to dine around my Southtown neighborhood at Il Forno, where Chef Jason García makes a mean (pizza) pie. I also love his butternut squash and goat cheese salad. For a good beer, I like Künstler Brewing. After 5 pm, I enjoy a Spanish Gin-Tonic at The Downstairs Bar at the **Esquire**. They are also serious about their charcuterie! ”

and beef tenderloin. Thanks to the Museum Reach extension of the River walk, you can continue your culinary tour north of downtown all the way to Pearl. Still can't decide? Hop on a dinner cruise with **GO RIO Cruises**, and be the subject of everyone else's River Walk view.

Downtown

Some of the city's best foodie finds are a few steps above the River Walk in the charming historic buildings of downtown San Antonio. **Schilo's Delicatessen**, the city's oldest restaurant, serves German food so authentic you'll happily swap a view of the river for a view of the deli display. Since 1917, Schilo's has been slinging bratwurst, cheddarwurst, knockwurst, Polska kielbasa, along with delicious homemade root beer. New to the theater-culinary circuit is **Silo Prime**, the fourth of the immensely popular Silo restaurants. Like its dinner menu of steaks and seafood, Silo Prime offers a cocktail menu of old-school classics with modern twists. The breezy, modern **Nonna Osteria** has made a name for itself by pairing northern Italian flavors with a Eurocentric wine list. Hip coffee shop by day and lively happy hour spot by afternoon, the new **Rosella at the Rand** offers beverage and dining menus that help guests transition from work to play (its two other locations, **Rosella Coffee** and **Rosella**

HOT HOTEL RESTAURANTS

Thanks to innovative destination hotels, visitors to San Antonio can taste the best of the city right at their doorstep.

Antler's Lodge, Hyatt Regency Hill Country Resort and Spa

This Four Diamond AAA restaurant and *Wine Spectator's* 2018 Award of Excellence winner uses sustainably sourced, local ingredients to create innovative twists on traditional Texas fare.

Dorrego's, Hotel Valencia

Argentinean-inspired food takes center stage at this stylish eatery. Snag a seat on the outdoor terrace overlooking the River Walk.

Las Canarias, Omni La Mansión del Río

Enjoy refined New American fare, including the elegant Champagne Brunch, on one of three levels descending to the River Walk.

Ocho, Hotel Havana

This hidden lounge is an oasis of old Cuban charm. The Pan-Latin menu serves breakfast, small plates, and late-night cocktails.

Supper, Hotel Emma

Chef John Brand's menu items are meant to be shared over a long, leisurely lunch (or dinner).



☼ Enjoying a meal outdoors at one of the many restaurants along the River Walk.

at the **Garden** are worth checking out, too). The creative team behind **Battalion**, **Feast** and **Rebelle** show a mutual appreciation of fun at the new **Playland Pizza**. With a bold, stylish interior and a cocktail menu that pays tribute to the rides at the old Playland Park amusement park, this non-traditional pizzeria offers unconventional pies and a swirling good time. The popularity of three downtown establishments suggests that nothing goes with theater and live entertainment like steak. **The Palm** steakhouse offers an extensive wine list, daily fresh seafood, and of course, prime steaks in a relaxed atmosphere. Watch acrobatic “wine angels” serve wine from suspended wires while gauchos serve juicy beef from skewers at **Texas de Brazil**, a churrascaria, or Brazilian steakhouse, with a massive salad bar. Season your meal with musical entertainment at Bohanan’s Prime Steaks & Seafood. Guests dine on custom cuts of prime-aged, corn-fed beef in an Old-World setting, complete with a cocktail lounge and live jazz. New to downtown are **Pinch Boil House and Bia Bar** and **Toro Kitchen + Bar**. Inspired by local, family-friendly, pop-up crawfish boils, Pinch House aims to share Southeast Asian seafood and snacks with the community. Seafood takes on Spanish flavors at **Toro Kitchen + Bar**.

Bands of mariachis stroll the festive floors of **Mi Tierra Café y Panadería**. This landmark Mexican café and bakery in Market Square offers classic Tex-Mex dishes, margaritas, and mariachis 24/7. If your culinary tour puts you in need of a digestive reset, head to **Pharm Table**, where food is medicine. This cozy, farm-to-table restaurant serves up an impressive vegan menu with paleo add-ins like ginger-glazed pork and beef, and lamb kefta for the omnivores.



WHAT DAVY CROCKETT REALLY SAID

*“You may all
Go to hell with
your diets. I’ll
Go to Boudro’s!”*
—Davy Crockett

Had Boudro’s been serving Blackened Prime Rib, fresh Guacamole made tableside and Prickly Pear Margaritas back in 1836, the King of the Wild Frontier would have left Tennessee sooner. Loved by locals and travelers, Boudro’s is a mecca for great food on the River Walk. Frommers says “Everybody loves this old standby on the River Walk.” Dine riverside, inside or (with reservations) on a barge dinner cruise.



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SAN ANTONIO BBQ

SAN ANTONIO TAKES ITS 'CUE VERY SERIOUSLY. HERE'S WHERE TO FIND THE BEST IN TOWN.



Two Bros. BBQ

County Line BBQ

Famous for its meaty ribs, extra-lean brisket, and spicy sausage, this legendary restaurant has been slow-smoking barbecue since 1975.

Two Bros. BBQ Market

Laura Loomis keeps the barbecue juicy at this classic meat market-style joint.

The Granary 'Cue and Brew

This cozy restaurant and brewery is all about smoked meat and house made brews, Texans' two great loves.

Davila's BBQ

Open since 1959, this family-run joint—located in nearby Seguin—is known for its trademark sausage.

Alamo BBQ Co.

Texas' youngest pitmaster, Laura Loomis, pulls double duty at Alamo BBQ and Two Bros. BBQ Market.

B&D Ice House

A tried-and-true Texas ice house, complete with smoked meats served on butcher paper, cold beer, and picnic tables.

Q Kitchen

Hyatt Regency San Antonio River Walk's Q Kitchen offers a BBQ Sampler with ribs, sausage, and brisket with burnt ends.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

VisitSanAntonio.Com/category/dining/bbq

Pearl

San Antonio's hip epicenter of culinary and cultural delights is the historic Pearl Brewery Complex. This mixed-use space of stunning late-nineteenth century architecture, energy-conscious structures, and lively green spaces is home to some of the city's most innovative new restaurants.

Housed in one of Pearl's three original structures, **Boiler House Texas Grill & Wine Garden** welcomes guests to dine on gourmet Texas Hill Country fare beside the three enormous boilers that powered the historic brewery. What happens when you cross the cuisines of Peru and Asia? Peruvian-Asian fusion restaurant **Botika** has the answer: plantain sushi rolls, ceviche served with wonton chips, and a bar stocked with sake, pisco, and cachaça. As you walk into **Cured**, the brewery's former administration building, a large charcuterie case clues you into to what to expect on the menu: meat-centric selections featuring house-cured charcuterie plates, chicken-fried chicken livers, and veal osso busco. Named after the old Pearl Brewery's bottling department it sits on, the upscale **Bottling Department Food Hall** offers a variety of dining options. From short-rib

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TACOS

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burgers to gourmet donuts to rotisserie chicken, you and your whole crew can find something to enjoy. For the culinary purists out there, the funky, riverside Mexican cantina **La Gloria** creates small street-food plates from every corner of Mexico and killer margaritas. And in a town known for Mexican pastries, **Bakery Lorraine** mixes it up with French pastries, croissants, and macarons.

TEX-MEX VS. MEXICAN. WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

Though both cuisines have origins in Mexico, when there's a Tex in front of your Mex, those three extra letters mean extra ingredients, typically not found south of the Rio Grande: beef, yellow cheese, wheat flour and cumin.

Don't Miss Tex-Mex options include:

Café Ole

Home to the Ultimate Fajita and the 60-ounce margarita

Casa Rio

The oldest restaurant on the River Walk. Look for the colorful umbrellas along the water

Iron Cactus

Offers a view of the River Walk from its patio and more than 100 tequilas

The Original Mexican Restaurant

Open 24 hours, so you can always get your Tex-Mex on here

Rio Rio Cantina

Offers River Walk dining from dawn (with breakfast served daily 'til 1 p.m.) to well after dark, with its Naked Iguana Tequila bar and daily happy hour

Rita's on the River

A pet-friendly River Walk restaurant offering everything from fajitas to nachos, including vegetarian and gluten-free options, and giant margaritas

For a unique dining experience there's **Savor, The Culinary Institute of American** restaurant and bar where guests build multi-courses prepared by advanced culinary students for an adventurous meal. At Chef Jeff Balfour's **Southerleigh Fine Food & Brewery**, southern cuisine meets his Galveston upbringing: oysters, crab, grilled redfish, and Gulf shrimp pair well with Southerleigh drafts.

Southtown

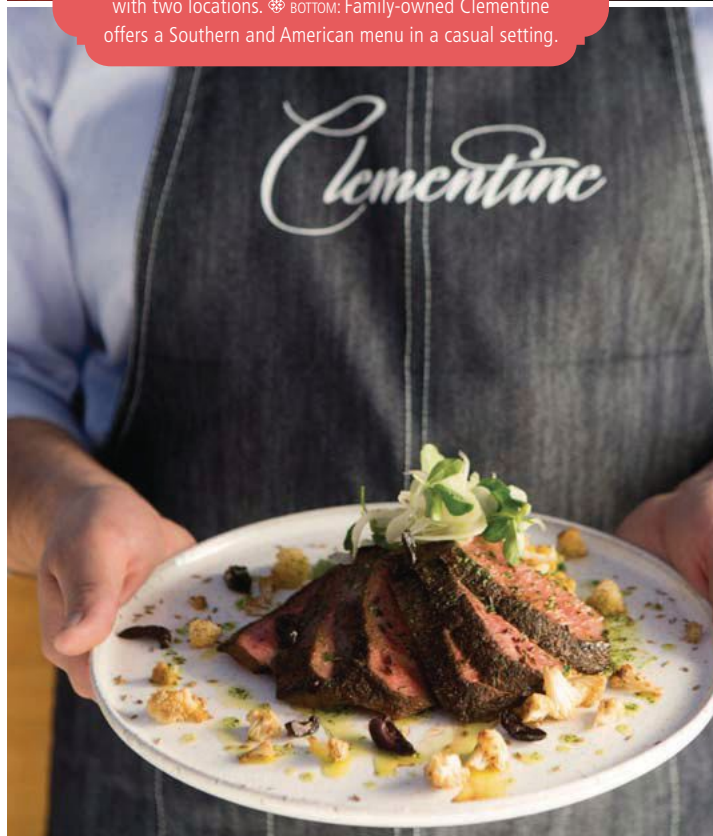
Just south of downtown is Southtown, a hip, artistic hub for galleries, shopping, nightlife and, of course, dining.

Many people flock to S. Alamo Street in search of the city's best Tex-Mex. When the street corner lights up neon pink, you'll know you've found **Rosario's**. Consistently honored by critics as the best in San Antonio, Rosario's offers a contemporary twist on traditional south-of-the-border dishes like fish tacos, ceviche, and specialty margaritas.

Much like the eclectic architecture of Southtown's King William neighborhood, this dining district's cuisine showcases a variety of cultural influences. Restaurateur and chef team Andrew Goodman and Stefan Bowers invite guests to **Battalion** to dine on Southern Italian classics like veal parmesan and shrimp scampi in an historic 1924 firehouse, which features brick archways and a fire pole. Their sister establishment, **Feast**, offers tapas-style New American cuisine with Mediterranean flair. Miami-chic decor and a lively see-and-be-seen patio make Feast the place for (continued p. 52)



⌘ TOP: Rosario's is a colorful authentic Mexican restaurant with two locations. ⌘ BOTTOM: Family-owned Clementine offers a Southern and American menu in a casual setting.



TACO TOWN

Whether your fillings are nestled into a fried corn tortilla, wrapped in a soft flour one, or presented in any other trendy form imaginable, tacos are always on the menu.

Breakfast Tacos

Everything tastes better wrapped in a homemade corn or flour tortilla, especially breakfast ingredients. Start your day off right with a chorizo and papas breakfast taco from Pete's Tako House or a chilaquiles taco from Taco Taco Cafe.

Fajita

For the best sizzling fajitas—grilled meat and vegetables served with a tortilla and help-yourself sides—order the combination chicken, beef, and shrimp at Alamo Cafe.

Cabrito

The roasted veal of the goat world. For the best in town, head to Los Barrios for the Cabrito en Salsa.

CORN VS. FLOUR TORTILLAS

The great debate continues! Why not have both? Find some of the best corn tortillas at Los Compadres Mexican Grill. If you're a fan of flour, head to El Milagrito Cafe.

Brisket

Cooked for hours to reach tender perfection, brisket remains the standard by which all barbecue joints are judged. Start and end your search at the self-proclaimed "Home of the Barbecue Brisket Taco," Garcia's Mexican Food.

Barbacoa

The Caribbean cooking style from which the term "barbecue" originated, barbacoa refers to fatty and flavorful slow-cooked beef. Typically available only on weekends, find your fix seven days a week at El Milagrito.

Carne Asada

Marinated in traditional spices and seared for fire-grilled char flavor, these beef steaks are thinly sliced into mouth-watering strips. Try the six mini tacos stuffed with grilled flank steak, chopped onions, and shredded cilantro at Fajita Taco Place.

Nopal con Chile

Cactus strips doused in a smoky ancho adobo sauce are found in these tacos at La Bandera Molino.

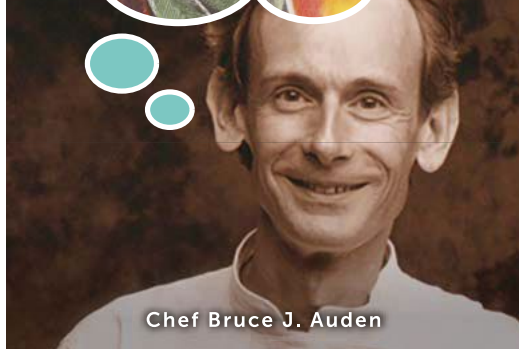
Puffy Tacos

Fillings folded into a pillow of fried, puffy masa, these tacos are a force to be reckoned with in the Alamo City. Order the old-school *picadillo* version (seasoned ground beef) taco at Ray's Drive Inn or a shredded chicken puffy taco at Henry's Puffy Taco Cantina.



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⊗ At Cured restaurant, part of the vibrant San Antonio culinary scene.



brunch in San Antonio. With Instagram-ready ambiance and a stocked tiki bar, Hot Joy fires up small plates of spicy Asian food and fish bowls of tropical rum cocktails. At **The Maverick Texas Brasserie**, French charm and Texas ingredients go hand-in-hand. Chefs cook seafood, steaks and poultry—even a whole roast duck—over the coals of a wood-burning stove. At **Guenther House**, enjoy plate-sized cinnamon rolls, fluffy biscuits, and gooey apple strudels in the beautifully-restored 1860 home of the Pioneer Mills founder, or dine under the stars or in an elegantly redesigned gas station at Bliss. Featuring an impressive wine list and appetizer selection—be sure to try the oyster sliders, served with candied bacon on buttermilk-chive biscuits—Bliss will surely bring you to culinary ecstasy.

Home to many of the city's best contemporary art galleries, the Blue Star Arts Complex also hosts a variety of creative restaurants. Tucked behind the old grain silos near the complex are two new restaurants from chef Johnny Hernandez. Laid-back burger joint **Burgerteca** adds a Mexican twist to the all-American classic. A house favorite is the El Pastor: a guajillo- and ancho chile-seasoned patty topped with grilled pineapple, manchego cheese, and cilantro. Don't forget to check out Hernandez's original Southtown establishment **The Frutería**. Serving fresh fruit cups, smoothies, and tostadas by day, this vibrant,

colorful cantina transforms into a swanky hotspot serving Mexican tapas and fruit-infused cocktails by sundown.

Near Downtown

Many longtime favorites live with the locals in nearby Government Hill, Alamo Heights, Monte Vista and Olmos Park. Across from Pearl, chef Jason Dady's **Shuck Shack** serves high-quality oysters, shrimp, and lobster rolls in a rustic-chic atmosphere. In Alamo Heights, **Cappy's Restaurant** has served upscale food in a laid-back setting for more than 20 years. Or try its sister Cappyccino's nextdoor, a bistro and bar with tasty burgers, pizza, soups and salads. In Monte Vista, enjoy a michelada under the trees on the beautiful outdoor patio of **La Fonda on Main**, where classic Tex-Mex fare and margaritas have been a mainstay since 1932. In neighboring Olmos Park, chefs at the 12-seat Mixtli create ten-course regional Mexican tasting menus using ancient cooking techniques.

In north San Antonio's **The Alley on Bitters**, friends share a yoga class and then a table at the **NEW! Meadow Neighborhood Eatery + Bar**. Enjoy seasonal Southern and American eats at husband-and-wife duo John and Elise Russ' new restaurant, **Clementine**.



MUST-TRY SAN ANTONIO COCKTAILS



The Wonderlust King Esquire Tavern

Featuring rye whiskey, Amaro Nardini, vermouth, xocolatl and orange bitters, this boozy cocktail matches the cozy vibe of its dark and moody downtown bar.

Surprise Me The Modernist

Not a specific cocktail, but a useful phrase. This 1960s-themed cocktail bar does not have a cocktail menu, per se. Instead, patrons are encouraged to tell the bartenders what they drink, and let them take it from there.

The Ribbon Cutting Paramour

A sweet-and-sour cocktail made with yogurt-washed Tito's vodka, this signature drink is as impressive as the view from the rooftop bar.

Three Emmas Hotel Emma

Slip into the Sternwirth bar and try this cocktail made with Pearl beer and rose cordial, Amontillado sherry, Botanist gin, and lemon and grapefruit juices. Ask the bartender how it got its name.

LOCAL BREW

As San Antonio cuisine has reached worldwide attention, our local beers have grown up, too.

Alamo Beer Company

Play corn hole, catch a Spurs game, or try your hand at Beer Bacon Bingo with your favorite brew at this beer hall.

Blue Star Brewing Company

Hit up this eclectic microbrewery for a finer beer experience including organic beer and live jazz.

Freetail Brewing

Named after the official flying mammal of Texas—the Mexican free-tailed bat—was one of city's first microbreweries.

Künstler Brewing

Part Old World Bavarian tradition, part new world Texas pride, Künstler Brewing handcrafts German-style beer.

Mad Pecker Brewing

Unpretentious, small-batch brewing at its finest.

Roadmap Brewing

All roads lead to beer at this family-friendly brewery.

Southerleigh

This 15-barrel brewpub brings brewing back to the historic Pearl Brewery.

Weathered Souls Brewing

Always keeping it fresh, Weathered Souls releases a new small-batch beer every Thursday.

LOCAL SPIRITS

Riding a surge of new locally made spirits, there's so much cocktailing in town that we even host an annual cocktail conference.

WHISKEY NEW! Maverick Whiskey

All spirits are aged in Texas Oak barrels in the tradition of Alamo Whiskey, from 1836.

BRANDY

Dorcol

This San Antonio-based distillery's signature liquor—a double-distilled, apricot-based brandy—has origins in Eastern Europe.

WHISKEY

Ranger Creek Brewing & Distilling

This award-winning "brewstillery" handcrafts microbrews and craft whiskies.

VODKA

Artisan on Alamo

Artisanal vodkas, including one made with cactus paddles, prove vodka doesn't have to be boring.

GIN

Seersucker Distillery

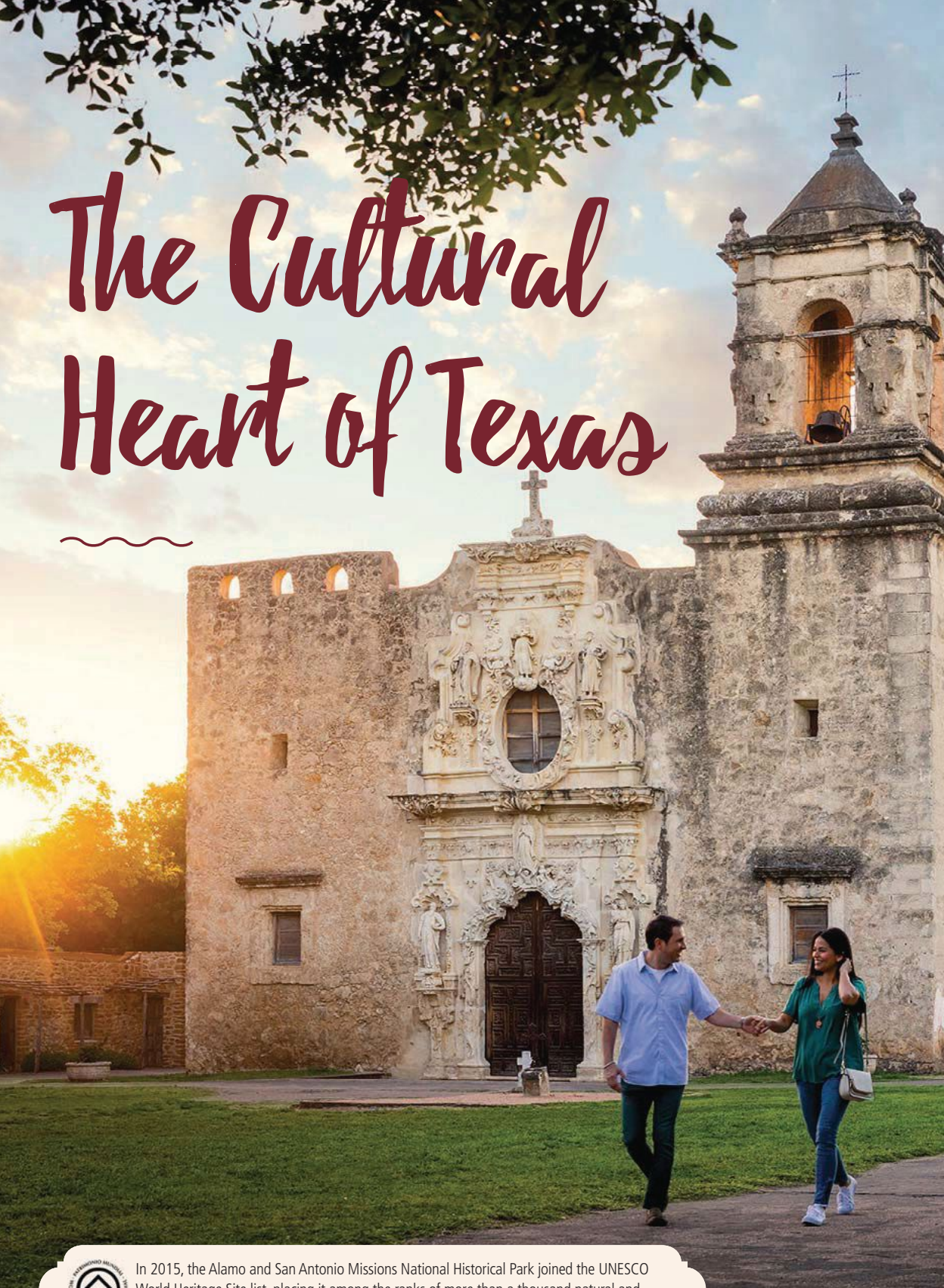
The world's first and only Southern-style gin. It's slow-distilled with all-natural botanicals.

VODKA & WHISKEY


Rebecca Creek Distillery

One of the largest craft distilleries in the country is producing fine Texas vodka and whiskey.

The Cultural Heart of Texas



In 2015, the Alamo and San Antonio Missions National Historical Park joined the UNESCO World Heritage Site list, placing it among the ranks of more than a thousand natural and cultural wonders spanning the globe—the first such designation for the state of Texas.



Historical and cultural wonders are woven into the fabric of the Alamo City. Uncover its rich past through the lens of the earliest settlers. Explore vibrant city streets dotted with must-see galleries and museums.

The Alamo and the Missions

Take a step back in time and explore the lives of early Spanish settlers who founded what would become San Antonio. Five historic missions still remain on the banks of the San Antonio River and form a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Begin your historic journey at the **Alamo**, which was first established as Mission San Antonio de Valero in 1718. By 1793, it became a military outpost, cementing its role as a central locale in Texas' journey to independence. More than 2.5 million people

visit the Alamo every year, making it the most visited attraction in the Lone Star State.

Mission Concepción is home to the best-preserved Spanish colonial structure in the United States. Gaze at the fading geometric designs still visible on the church's exterior; the façade has remarkably stood the test of era. Inside, vibrant frescoes showcase the stunning artwork typical of the time.

The largest structure, **Mission San José**, is known as the "Queen of the Missions." Its striking rose window and façade are lavish examples of Spanish colonial ornamentation. Mission San José is also home to a visitor's center

⊗ There are five missions, including the Alamo, also known as Mission San Antonio de Valero.

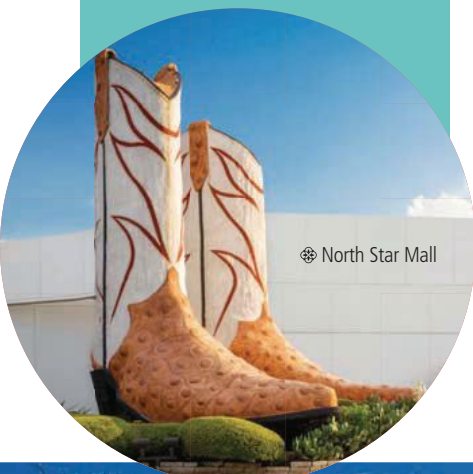
⊗ **FACING PAGE:** A view of Mission San José. Explore all of the Spanish colonial missions located along the River Walk's Mission Reach, an eight-mile stretch.





INSIDER TIP

Spend time exploring **Historic Market Square**, the largest Mexican market in the country. Or stroll through nearly 30 shops and galleries at **La Villita Historic Arts Village**. And kids love the famous big cowboy boots sculpture at **North Star Mall**.



⊗ North Star Mall

and is the departure point for free, park ranger-guided tours.

At Mission Espada, the southernmost mission, take in the colonial-style irrigation system, the compound's blacksmith shop, and the working kiln and spinning wheels for a glimpse into Native American and Spanish settlers' agrarian ways of life.

A prime example of a self-sustaining community, Mission San Juan was known for its fertile farmlands and abundant crops.

One of the 15-mile San Antonio River Walk's three sections, Mission Reach extends south of downtown connecting the River Walk to four of the five missions through an eight-mile riparian woodland ecosystem featuring smooth walking and biking paths punctuated by public art.

SEE THE ALAMO A LITTLE DIFFERENTLY

Try the **Experience Real History Augmented Reality at the Alamo** app (Apple App store), which uses exciting augmented reality technology to recreate the famous Alamo battle site.

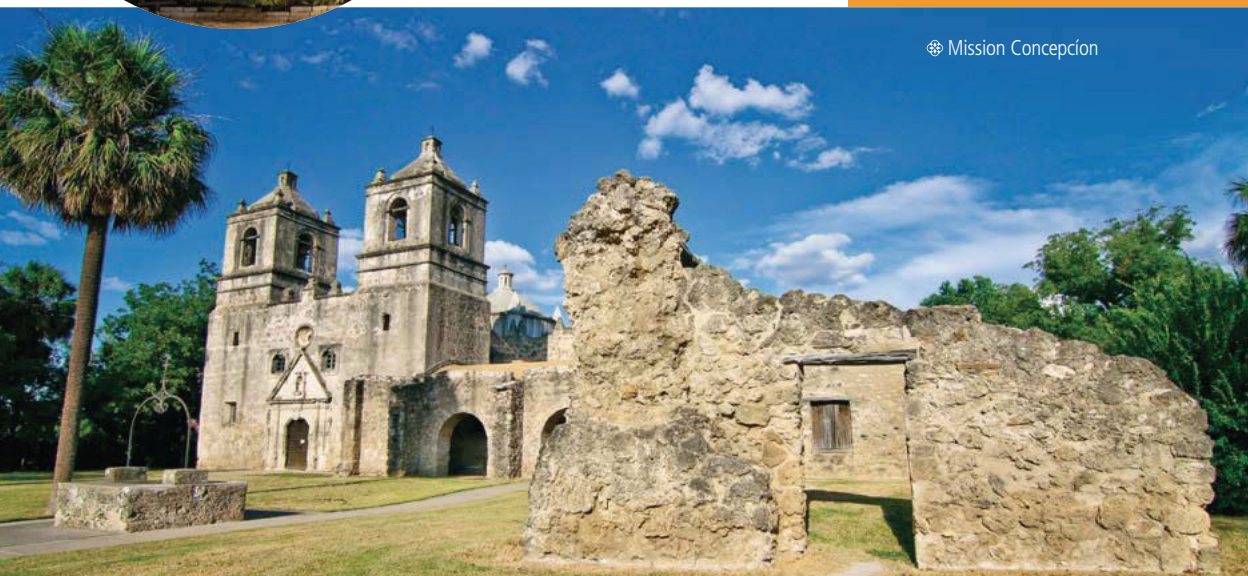
SOUVENIR IDEAS



GUAYABERA

FOR HIM: Stylish summer shirt with traditional flare from **Dos Carolinas**.

⊗ Mission Concepción



SA NOTABLE TIP



CRUZ ORTIZ
International
contemporary artist.

“Don’t miss the **San Antonio Museum of Art** and its collection of Spanish Colonial art, folk art, pre-Columbian art, and Latin American art. View the contemporary Latino print collection at the **McNay Art Museum**, and then head to **Artpace San Antonio**. Don’t miss Mission Concepción’s colorful fresco murals, and the 50 murals in the Westside Mural District (2120 El Paso St.). Grab a selfie with “Hispanic Elvis” when he performs at **El Mercado** and elsewhere. Sanchez Ice House is a friendly spot to drink cold beer in the shade and dance to Tejano. Check out Sunday nights with D.J. Plata at The Squeezebox.

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Get Outdoors

Japanese Tea Garden

Here, you’ll find a lush year-round garden and floral display with shaded walkways, stone bridges, a 60-foot waterfall, and koi ponds—the perfect spot to find respite.

Headwaters at Incarnate Word Sanctuary

Meander the trails, take in native birds, or go on a guided walk at this beautiful, quiet, and historic habitat.

San Antonio Botanical Garden

You’ll find vibrant hues at the Rose Garden, tropical wonders in the exhibit rooms of the Lucile Halsell Conservatory, and many other botanical sites on 38 acres.

Biking

Cruise the city streets and public trails via bike for a fun way to explore! Don’t miss these bike-lovers’ favorites:

San Antonio Bike Tours

Take a personal guided tour on comfortable, stable recumbent trikes with host Steve Wood, ranging from two- to six-hour trips through a variety of neighborhoods.

Mission Adventure Bike Tours

Led by an expert guide, explore the San Antonio Missions on an eight- or 15-mile bike tour along Mission Reach.

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Museum Musts

Make time to explore the city's historic wonders and enchanting creative delights inside these captivating museums and galleries.

The Witte Museum

The Witte Museum is devoted to science and natural history, with children's exhibits, traveling exhibits, and a renowned early Texas art collection. The Witte Museum debuted its \$100 million, once-in-a-century transformation, bringing more than 170,000 square feet of renovated and expanded exhibition space offering the Naylor Family Dinosaur Gallery, the H-E-B Body Adventure, and The South Texas Heritage Center, among other historic and cultural attractions on its ten-acre, garden-laden campus.

The McNay Art Museum

Texas' first modern art museum, the McNay Art Museum houses a pristine assortment of more than 200,000 works of modern art, stemming from its namesake Marion Koogler McNay's 700-piece collection. The

museum is known for its Medieval and Renaissance art and 19th- through 21st-century European and American collections.

The Briscoe

Western Art Museum

Capturing the new spirit of the West, this three-story museum houses artifacts, paintings, sculptures, and more, which tell the rich history of the American West.

San Antonio Museum of Art

Housed in the historic Lone Star Brewery, the San Antonio Museum of Art features 30,000 objects spanning 5,000 years of history from around the globe. The museum contains the largest collection of Asian art in the Southern U.S., as well as one of the most comprehensive collections of Latin American Art.

Institute of Texan Cultures

Located near the Tower of the Americas, the UTSA Institute of Texan Cultures showcases how diverse cultures from countries spanning the globe have influenced the Texan identity.



San Antonio By the Numbers

1691

San Antonio was named on June 13, celebrating the Feast Day of Portuguese Franciscan friar St. Anthony of Padua.

1718

On May 5, Martín de Alarcón, governor of the province of Texas, founded San Antonio de Béxar Presidio, today's San Antonio.

1729

San Pedro Springs Park is founded, making it the oldest municipal park in Texas.



San Pedro Creek Culture Park exemplifies beauty with a purpose. It combines public art, architectural design, local craft and native landscaping with history.

FACING PAGE: The Witte Museum (center), and art installations along Museum Reach (below).

San Antonio Art League and Museum

Located in the heart of the King William District, this stunning and intimate house-turned-museum and gallery holds more than 400 works in all media, focused on Texas artists.

Carver Community Cultural Center

This multicultural, multidisciplinary performing and visual arts center offers unique artistic events that celebrate the diverse cultures of the world, with emphasis on African and African-American heritage.

U.S. Army Medical Department Museum

San Antonio's first permanent U.S. military installation, Fort Sam Houston, houses the nation's only Army medical museum. See fascinating exhibits covering the 200-plus-year history of the U.S. Army Medical Department.

San Antonio African American Community Archives and Museum

Preserving the African-American history and legacy of those who helped build San Antonio is one of the missions of this organization.

Blue Star Arts Complex & Southtown The Arts District

Blue Star Contemporary is home to an 11,000-square-foot exhibition space, four on-site galleries, and multiple offsite locations for budding contemporary artists to show their work. Plan to explore the surrounding Southtown The Arts District, where five neighborhoods make up one creative community.

King William Historic District

King William is dotted with historic homes, dynamic galleries, and fascinating museums in Southtown.

1836

The two-week-long Battle of the Alamo ended on March 6, when the Mexican army seized the military post.

1845

On December 29, Texas entered the Union, positioning San Antonio as a major population and military hub.

1891

The Battle of Flowers parade—now part of Fiesta San Antonio—was held to honor the Alamo and the Battle of San Jacinto.

1968

HemisFair was held in San Antonio, the first World's Fair in the Southwestern U.S. The fair also commemorated San Antonio's 250th birthday.



LOCAL FAVORITES

Artpace

View artists in residence at **Artpace**, San Antonio's premier nonprofit contemporary art venue.

Sala Diaz

Explore exhibits on marketing and consumerism or domestic life for an alternative gallery experience in the Southtown The Arts District.

Southwest School of Art

Discover artists on the rise at the Southwest School of Art. Check out the Art-o-Mat, a vending machine selling local art for \$5 a piece.

First Fridays & Second Saturdays Southtown The Arts District comes to life during First Fridays and Second Saturdays for nights of food, music, art, and entertainment.



Southwest School of Art

1972

A white rhino gave birth at the San Antonio Zoo, the first of its species to be born in the Western Hemisphere.

Three Days in the City

DAY 1

Step Into the Old World

Plan your tour of the five 18th-century Spanish Colonial missions over coffee at **Ocho at Hotel Havana**. About a mile from the stone steps of the Alamo, the River Walk's expanded Mission Reach will lead you to Missions Concepción (check out the gorgeous frescoes), San José (don't miss the mysterious rose window!), San Juan, and Espada. Then, take a self-guided walking tour through the King William neighborhood's Greek Revival, Victorian, and Italianate homes before visiting the Steves Homestead Museum and Villa Finale. Grab a beer at **B&D Ice House** or a cocktail at **The Cherrity Bar**. End the night in the city's Main Plaza, where a dazzling artistic display lights up the San Fernando Cathedral four nights a week with San Antonio | The Saga. The free show combines music and video to tell the story of the city's early days in 24 minutes of breathtaking art.

DAY 2

Discover Museums

Take a deep dive into the culture and arts of San Antonio with a museum crawl. Western buffs and Texas naturalists alike gravitate to the **Briscoe Western Art Museum** and **The Witte Museum**, or visit the **San Antonio Museum of Art** and its treasure trove of Asian, European, Islamic, Latin American, American, and Texan art. Enjoy lunch on the outdoor terrace of the museum overlooking the River Walk at chef Jason Dady's **Tre Trattoria**. Then head to the **McNay Art Museum** (the first modern art museum in Texas!), which features paintings, drawings, and sculptures. Recharge with a massage at **Mokara Hotel & Spa**, or enjoy Hill Country views from **The Shops at La Cantera**. Later, take in a live performance at the **Majestic Theatre**.

DAY 3

Smell the Roses

Start at **Bakery Lorraine** at **Pearl** (and grab a few macarons for later). On the weekend, stroll the Pearl Farmers Market, and check out some of the area's great retailers. Head to the new San Pedro Creek Culture Park, an outdoor oasis where visitors can go on an invigorating hike or a bike ride along its trails, or just relax and take in the public art. Explore the unique galleries and shops at the Blue Star Arts Complex in Southtown. Or check out the new Ruby City contemporary art center, opening fall 2019. Home to more than 800 paintings, sculptures, and video art by contemporary artists, the crimson-colored building was inspired by a dream of late arts patron Linda Pace. End the day with a romantic dinner at **La Villita's Fig Tree** or a steak at **Little Rhein Steak House**.

2015

The Alamo and San Antonio Missions National Historical Park became a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

2017

UNESCO Creative Cities Network recognized San Antonio as a "Creative City of Gastronomy."

2018

San Antonio commemorated its 300th anniversary with year-long celebrations of the past and present.

FUN TOURS

There is no shortage of fun ways to take in the Alamo City.

Gray Line Tours

Dive deep with a full-day historic city tour, or visit breweries or Hill Country wineries.

Alamo Helicopter Tour

See the River Walk, the Missions, and the Hill Country on this aerial tour.

The Barwalk

See some of the most historic bars in Texas.

City Sightseeing Tours San Antonio

Grab a seat on one of these double-decker buses.

Food Chick Tours

Join food writer Julia Celeste for culinary heritage.

Amigo Walking Tours

Learn fascinating twists of the city's past on this unique free tour.



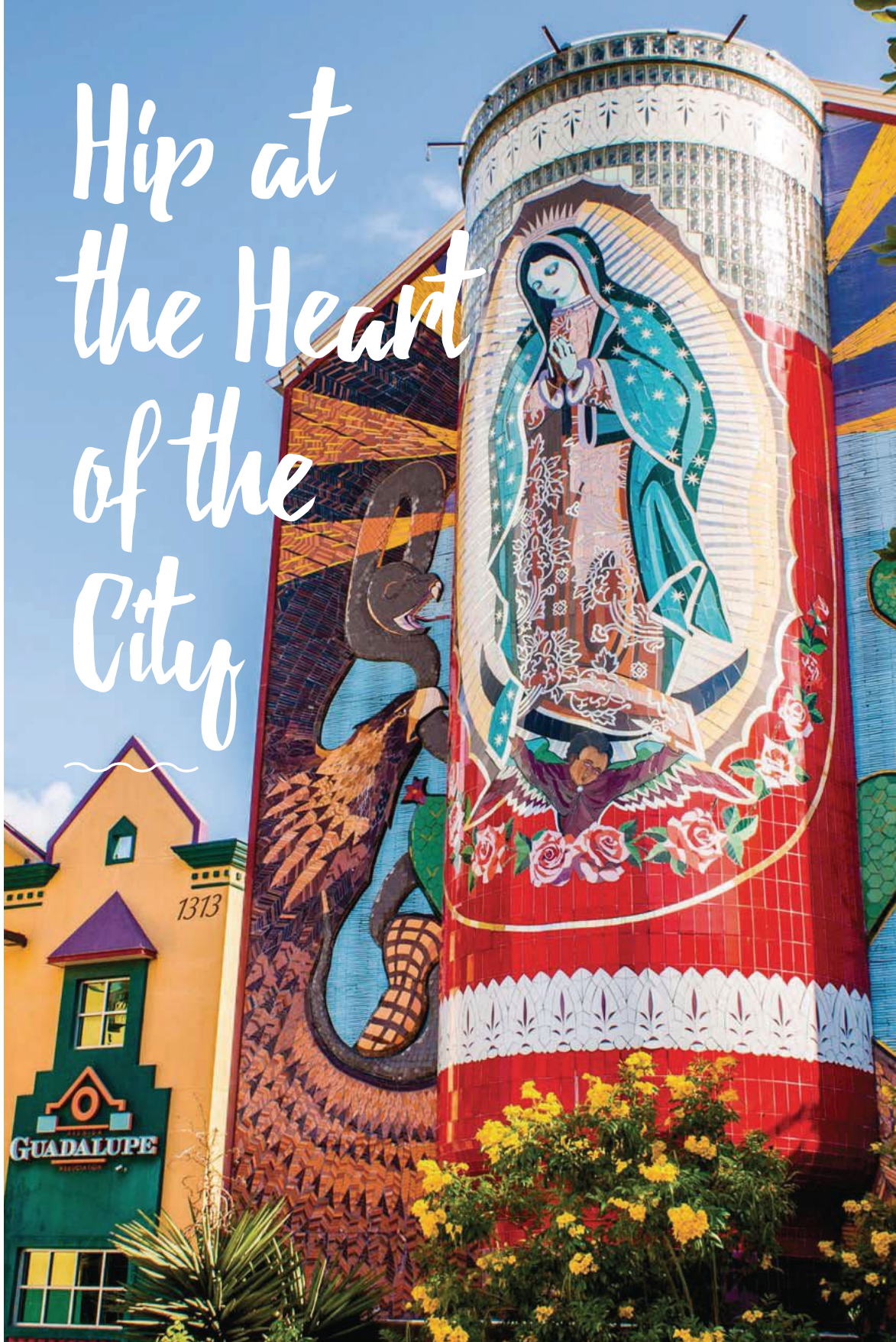
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You know the difference between a tourist and a traveler, the conventional and the authentic. From your first sip of *café* to your final spin around the dance floor, your vacations are distinct experiences. For a trip as eclectic as your bookshelf and as bold as your Instagram feed, check out these hip spots that are *puro* San Antonio.

“Bust a Move”

Whether you prefer boots, heels, or something in between, San Antonio's vibrant nightlife and dance scene will get your toes tapping.

Cowboys, cowgirls, and the merely curious mosey over to Cowboys Dancehall, the premier honkytonk experience in Texas. Dance to live country music, practice your riding skills on a mechanical bull, and watch the professional bull riders at the indoor rodeo arena. Beginner bootscooters enjoy free dance lessons, no partner required. Or take a literal spin around a raised, racetrack-style dance floor at Wild West. With a center, courtyard bar, this country-western venue invites everyone to get in the middle of the action. Enjoy country and dance hits spun by DJs, as well as billiards,



☼ Cheers to a night out with friends at Paramour (above). Catch a set at live music venue Howl at the Moon (below).

TVs, and Cowboy Sushi Cafe. At Carmens de la Calle, spice up your evening with an ever-changing global menu and dance to varied acts from flamenco to jazz. Visitors to **Jazz, TX** dance off their in-house Texan cuisine to the music of a live band. Located in the cellar of the Bottling Department at the historic Pearl Brewery, the club features blues, Texas swing, salsa and of course, jazz, including regular performances from founder and local bandleader Doc Watkins. Late night revelers dance to the beat at Heat, part of The Strip SA, a vibrant nightlife zone of LGBTQ-friendly bars, restaurants, and dance clubs. Choose from three floors of bass-thumping fun at Bonham Exchange. Built in 1891 as a German athletic association, this downtown hotspot offers a variety of musical genres in an inclusive atmosphere. When neon cocktails come in buckets and

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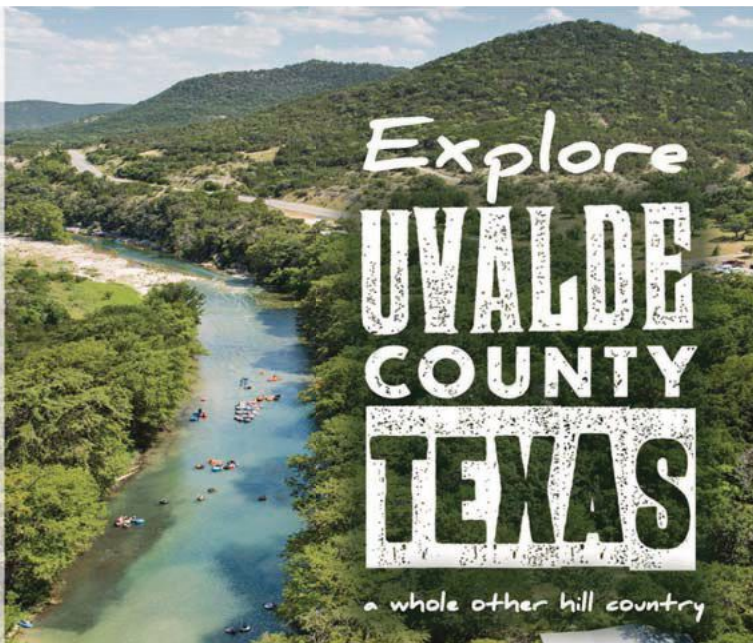
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SA NOTABLE TIP



PATTY MILLS
San Antonio
Spurs player.

“The Paper Tiger is a very cool, historical venue where lots of big name acts perform. The club is a cozy, fun place to see a show, and the outdoor beer garden is a great bonus.”

musicians perform dance hits on dueling pianos, it's no wonder **Howl at the Moon** has a reputation of being “Part bar. Part concert. All fun.” If you prefer singing with a pint of Guinness in your hand, stroll down to the riverside at **Durty Nelly's Irish Pub**, a replica of the original 1620 tavern in Limerick, Clare County. Or stop at swanky rooftop bar **Paramour**, where guests can choose from 20 specialty hand-crafted cocktails while taking in awesome views of the San Antonio skyline. Not-to-miss San Antonio nightlife favorites include: **Bar Rojo** at the **Grand Hyatt**, offering craft cocktails and bar bites; **Havana Bar** at the **Hotel Havana**, voted best hotel bar; **Merkaba** a new cocktail lounge and nightclub where DJs spin when a live band isn't in the house; **Pat O'Brien's**, a replica of the New Orleans institution, where guests enjoy Cajun fare, Hurricanes and a dueling piano bar; **Tex's Sports Bar**, where beer, margaritas, and sports mix on the River Walk; or end your night by visiting the city's most haunted bars and hotels as you raise a glass on a **Nightly Spirits' Ghost Tour & Pub Crawl**.



SAN ANTONIO'S STORIED HOTELS

These hotels offer tempting reasons to stay in amid a city full of reasons to go out.

Hotel Emma

The hip epicenter of culinary-focused Pearl, Emma blends industrial brewing artifacts and architecture from the original 1894 Pearl Brewery with luxurious details and amenities.

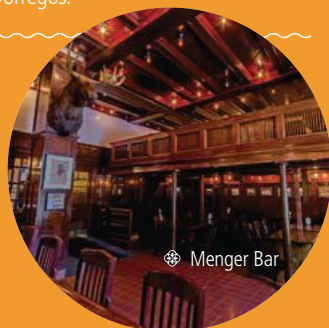
Hotel Havana

Sip Cuban-inspired craft cocktails in a stunning glass atrium overlooking the water in this hip and contemporary boutique hotel with original Mediterranean Revival design.

Hotel Valencia

Recipient of the 2017 *Condé Nast Traveler* Readers' Choice Award, the fully-renovated Hotel Valencia embraces Spanish Colonial style and a new Argentinian restaurant, Dorregos.

🌀 TOP: Jazz, TX is located in the cellar of the Bottling House at the historic Pearl Brewery. 🌀 BOTTOM: Established in 1974, Durty Nelly's is an Irish pub located on the River Walk.



🌀 Menger Bar

Menger Hotel

Just steps from the Alamo is the Menger Hotel, opened in 1859, and said to be the oldest continuously operating hotel west of the Mississippi—and the most haunted in San Antonio. The all-cherrywood Menger Bar (above) is a treasure; Theodore Roosevelt reportedly recruited some of his Rough Riders here.



Live Music & Comedy

From internationally-acclaimed acts to culturally-rich, local favorites, San Antonio holds the spotlight on live music and comedy.

For live music and revelry, spend your evening on the St. Mary's Strip at revamped venues Paper Tiger, The Amp Room, The Mix, Limelight, Hi-Tones, or La Botánica. Recent additions capturing the distinctive San Antonio scene are The Squeezebox—a live music and dancing venue that features Tejano, conjunto, and cumbia music in addition to DJ sets—and Jandro's—a nightclub that celebrates live music, local art, and the chill factor. The folks at The Rustic know the ingredients for a good time: farm-to-table regional fare, local beer and cocktails, and live music under the stars. And it's no surprise—one of the co-founders is country music star and San Antonio native Pat Green. **John T. Floore's Country Store** draws big names in country music and big crowds to the small town of Helotes, just northeast of San Antonio. An authentic Texas dancehall and cafe rather than an actual store, Floore's is known to many as the musical birthplace of country music legend Willie Nelson. If Western swing ain't your thing, check out Sam's



⊗ TOP: Enjoy live music at San Antonio's many venues, including Paper Tiger, The Amp Room, The Mix and Limelight, as well as John T. Floore's Country Store in nearby Helotes. CENTER: Live events take place at the riverside amphitheater at Pearl.

Burger Joint. Sam's has been one of the city's best venues for catching local and touring musical acts. On **Swing Nite**, watch the burgers and the dancers flip. In addition to sporting events, including the **Valero Alamo Bowl**, the **Alamodome** also hosts a variety of concerts. Catch some of the country's best comics at **Laugh Out Loud**. Gabriel Iglesias, Anjelah Johnson, Carlos Mencia, Richard Lewis, and Margaret Cho have all held the mic at this comedy venue. Or get involved in the act at **Comedysportz**. Not your typical improv show, the quick-witted comedians compete for the biggest laughs in teams. Though the **BYOB** venue allows guests to **BYOKids** to early shows (adults-only shows are later), all of the shows are entertaining for all ages.

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KINGSVILLE

Just two hours south of San Antonio is Kingsville, the town the King Ranch built. Tour parts of this historic 825,000-acre ranch and learn about the King Ranch saga. Check out the 1904 Train Depot Museum and enjoy a treat at Harrel's Pharmacy's old-fashioned soda fountain.

SAN MARCOS

Nearby San Marcos is home to Texas State University, the largest outlet shopping center in the U.S., and a colorful historical district ripe for exploring. Or spend a day on the spring-fed San Marcos River, whether you tour in a glass-bottom boat, or float, paddle, snorkel, or waterski.

SEARCHING FOR SELENA

The Queen of Tejano—singer Selena Quintanilla—spent a lot of time in San Antonio before her tragic death in 1995. Indeed, the Alamo City was like a second home to her—she even had a boutique in town. If you are a fan of the 1997 biopic *Selena*, starring Jennifer Lopez, you can revisit spots where several key scenes were shot. Follow in Selena's footsteps as you note some of the city's tributes to her.

The "Selena Bridge"

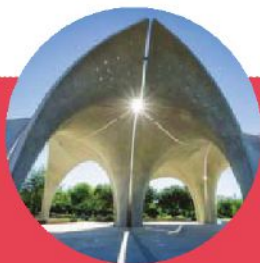
A romantic scene from the movie *Selena* was filmed on an arched stone bridge, located between N. Saint Mary's Street and Navarro Street.

Christopher Montoya's Mural

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Self-taught artist's larger than life depiction of the pop-star adorns the wall of a small shopping center.

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Market Square

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Market Square's plaza can barely contain the lively cultural activity of its restaurants, shops, produce stands, and performers. Bonus points if you can fit *papel picado*, a mariachi, and a margarita all in one frame.

Selena Etc.

In 1993, the Tejano star opened Selena Etc. boutique and salon, at 3703 Broadway. It closed after her death.

Hard Rock Café

111 W. CROCKETT STREET

Selena christened the café at its grand opening. Today, there's a star honoring her outside.

The Depot at Historic Sunset Station

1174 E. COMMERCE STREET

Served as a backdrop for Selena's music video for, "No Me Mas."

Mi Tierra

Check out the tribute to Selena at Mi Tierra where the singer's brother, A.B. Quintanilla, reportedly loves to sit nearby when he visits.

The Alamo

"Bidi Bidi Bom Bom" scenes from *Selena* were filmed in front of the Alamo.

Dream Song Tower Sculpture

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San Antonio artist Cruz Ortiz's creation was inspired in part by Selena's lyrics.

GOT BRUNCH?

Whether you prefer thoughtful takes on American breakfast classics, hearty Mexican and Tex-Mex staples, or are looking for something completely culinarily different, start your weekend off right by tucking into a tasty brunch in the Alamo City. Try these spots in town. Call for hours and reservations.

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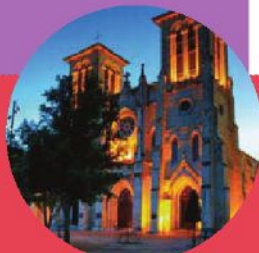
The Selena Bridge



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The 22-acre site of the former Pearl Brewery shines as a top culinary and cultural destination. Pearl features eclectic retail, inventive restaurants and bars, and picturesque green spaces.



San Fernando Cathedral:

San Antonio | The Saga

115 MAIN PLAZA, DOWNTOWN

Watch history revealed as the nation's first video art installation, *San Antonio: The Saga*, is shown on the façade of one of the nation's oldest cathedrals.



The Alamo

300 ALAMO PLAZA, DOWNTOWN

Remember the Alamo... with a photo! The city's most famous landmark is the first of five Spanish missions that laid the foundation for the city and later became the site of the epic battle for independence in 1836.



Getting Around Town

NAVIGATE THE CITY LIKE A LOCAL.

Much of downtown San Antonio is walkable, and the city offers easily accessible interstates and highways, making getting around a breeze.

VIA VIVA BUS ROUTES

VIVA, a new service line from VIA Metropolitan Transit, takes you to the most-visited sites and attractions in the heart of San Antonio. Three distinct VIVA routes—VIVA Culture, VIVA Missions, and VIVA Centro—connect riders with historic sites, museums, classic and contemporary art galleries, and popular dining and entertainment spots. VIVA is ideal for getting to the San Antonio Missions World Heritage Site, the Alamo, Market Square, the River Walk, Pearl, and more. You can even take VIVA to San Antonio International Airport.

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Car rental counters are located in the lobby of the new Consolidated Car Rental Facility at the airport, accessible by elevator or escalator on the Mezzanine Level in Terminal B and across the Sky Bridge. Got

a lot of passengers? **Elegant Limousine** has a fleet of options, including mini buses and coaches.

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Pay stations are automated kiosks that accept coins, as well as credit and debit cards, and they provide receipts. Instructions in English and Spanish assist users.

TAXIS

Snag a cab at the airport at the outer commercial curbside at Terminal A. The fare to downtown San Antonio runs approximately \$24–\$29 per cab. To order a taxi for other journeys, you can call or make online reservations. Or if you have a smartphone, catching a ride is easy with the Hail A Cab San Antonio app or Yellow Cab's zTrip app.

SCOOTERS

Electric scooters—Bird, Blue Duck, Lime, and others—arrived on the streets of San Antonio in June 2018. Riders must be at least 16 years old, and the use of helmets is encouraged. Most scooters can be unlocked with a smart-phone app and vary in cost to ride.

GO RIO RIVER CRUISES

Cruise the San Antonio River on one of the city's most beloved and popular attractions. With a shiny new fleet of eco-friendly, electric-powered boats, GO RIO River Cruises help visitors experience the

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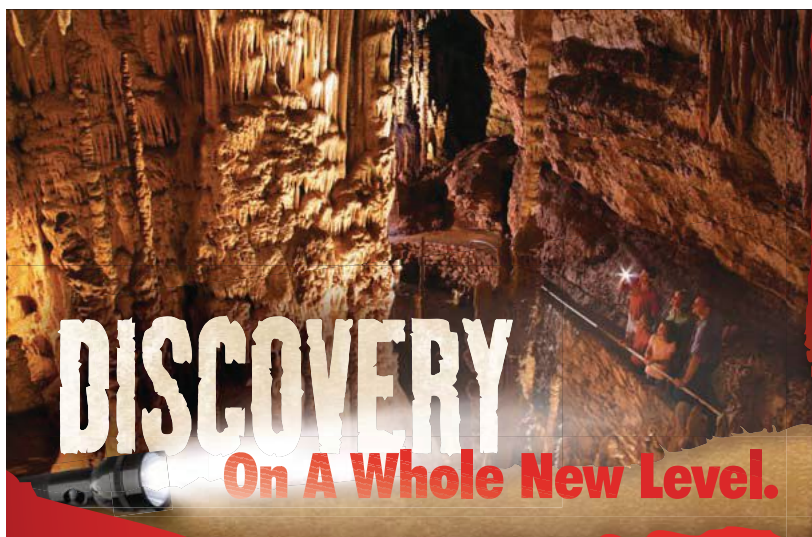
beauty of the River Walk from the San Antonio River itself. And with five colorful styles in San Antonio-themed papel picado patterns, riders become part of the River Walk's famed charm. Look for the GO RIO Shuttle signs throughout the River Walk downtown and Museum Reach extension.

SHUTTLES

SuperShuttle provides ground transportation services at San Antonio International Airport and in the surrounding area. The van service takes reservations and transports travelers between San Antonio's major business and entertainment districts and the airport. Look for ticket counters located in baggage claim areas of Terminals A and B.

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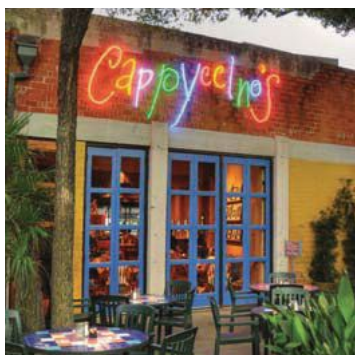
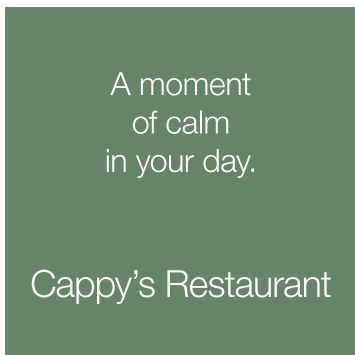


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