

TRI-STATE TRAVEL

San Antonio & The Texas Riviera

12 Days February 12-23, 2024

Enjoy a warm weather getaway to San Antonio and South Padre Island. Here you will discover how to make Enchiladas and Margaritas, cruise along the River Walk and learn about Sea Turtles, migratory birds and dolphins. Plus, there will be plenty of time to lounge on the beach. This is a great getaway filled with nature, culture and unique activities.

Tour Highlights:

- Southfork Ranch Tour & Dinner
- Sixth Floor Museum in Dallas
- Full Day Guided San Antonio Missions Tour
- Guided San Antonio City Tour
- Free Time at El Mercado
- Scenic Cruise Along the River Walk
- South Padre Island Visitors Center
- Free Time at the Beach
- Sunset Dolphin Cruise
- Bird Watching & Nature Center
- Sea Turtles, Inc.
- King Ranch Tour & Cowboy Lunch
- Guided Fixer Upper Tour & Harp Design
- Texas Ranger Hall of Fame Museum
- City Market in Kansas City
- Dinner Show at New Theater
- National Frontier Trails Center
- Eleven Nights First Class Lodging
- Eleven Breakfasts & One Lunch
- Seven Dinners Plus Two Drury Happy Hours
- Taxes and Gratuities on Included Accommodations, Attractions, and Meals
- Luggage Handling
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- Full Time Tour Director

Per Person Prices:

\$4,019 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$3,649 TRIPLE...\$3,399 QUAD...\$5,279 SINGLE

\$750 per person deposit due with reservation

Final Payment due December 15, 2023

**Travel Insurance is available
and strongly recommended.**

(see page 2 for details)

**For Additional Information
Or To Make A Reservation Contact:**

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Day 1 – Springfield, MO – Travel today takes you to Springfield, MO for a night at the Drury Inn. Dinner is on your own this evening, however you may wish to enjoy the "5:30 Kickback" offering a rotating menu and cold beverages. **(Kickback)**

Day 2 – Dallas, TX - Southfork Ranch Tour & Dinner – Today you travel to Dallas, TX for the night. Enjoy a tour of the famous Southfork Ranch, known worldwide as America's most famous Ranch. Followed by a great Texas Barbecue Dinner. **(B,D)**

Day 3 - Sixth Floor Museum – San Antonio, TX – This morning visit Texas Book Depository's Sixth Floor Museum, in Dallas, chronicling the assassination and legacy of President John F. Kennedy. Then you will see the John F. Kennedy Memorial before departing for San Antonio, TX. On arrival, check into the Drury Inn & Suites Hotel San Antonio Riverwalk for a three-night stay. Located on the San Antonio River, the hotel is walking distance from shops, restaurants and entertainment. Dinner is on your own, however you may wish to take advantage of the hotel's 5:30 Kickback meal. **(B,Kickback)**

Day 4 - Guided City Tour - Institute of Texan Cultures – Riverwalk Cruise – Tex-Mex Dinner - After breakfast, meet your local guide for a San Antonio City Tour to include San Fernando Cathedral, a walking tour of King William Historic District, and a driving tour of the city. You will then have free time for lunch and shopping on your own at the El Mercado.

Next, enjoy the exhibits and displays that tell the stories of Texans at the Institute of Texan Cultures. It shows the contributions that many cultures have made to the state's character, through music and dance, food, stories and traditions, religion, artisan skills, and ways of life.

This afternoon, take a scenic cruise along the Riverwalk. This is an unforgettable way to experience the world-famous San Antonio Riverwalk. It captures the sights, wonders and culture of the River City. Tonight, enjoy delicious Tex-Mex Cuisine at Café Ole. Strolling Mariachis are common accompaniments and add that extra touch, providing the perfect festive atmosphere. **(B,D)**

Day 5 - Guided Missions Tour - Enchilada Cooking School Dinner - The morning begins with a tour of the San Antonio Missions providing an insider look at what life was like in the 18th century, and how these important religious sites have earned their status in the world. Then visit the Alamo, San Antonio de Valero, and Mission San Jose, the "Queen of the Missions" and showplace of the southwest.

Tonight's dinner is in a classroom, complete with a cooking demonstration. You will learn how to make the perfect Enchilada paired with the perfect margaritas. This two-hour class includes cooking instruction where you learn to make Enchilada Verdes and a non-alcoholic beverage. You will also be instructed on how to make two popular margaritas and receive servings of both. The event ends with a dessert of fabulous tres leches cake, and a souvenir recipe card. **(B,D)**

Day 6 – South Padre Island, TX - South Padre Island Visitors Center – Today you travel to South Padre Island, 34 miles of beautiful white sand and clear emerald waters. South Padre Island is one of the world's most exquisite barrier island. Before checking in to your hotel, stop by the Visitors Center for a warm welcome. Then check into the Courtyard by Marriott for a three-night stay. Dinner is included this evening at the Sea Ranch Restaurant. **(B,D)**

Day 7 - South Padre Island Birding and Nature Center – Sea Turtles, Inc. – Dolphin Cruise – This morning, visit the South Padre Island Birding and Nature Center, one of the nine World Birding Centers. They offer one-of-a-kind birding opportunities, interpretive tours of the site where you learn about birds and birding on South Padre Island. The Center also has fabulous fish, dolphin, plants and other animals to talk about too.

Then visit the world-renowned Sea Turtle Inc. Founded in 1977 by Ila Loetscher, better known as "The Turtle Lady," the organization has dedicated itself to the rescue, rehabilitation and release of sea turtles. Sea Turtle Inc. is instrumental in bringing back the Kemp's Ridley sea turtle from the brink of extinction.

Enjoy dinner this evening at Gabriella's Italian Restaurant followed by a Sunset Dolphin Cruise. South Texas is a year-round home to several large pods of dolphins. Share the thrill of meeting bottle-nose and spinner dolphins in the wild and experience the unique bond and kinship they inspire in mankind. **(B,D)**

Day 8 - Free Day at the Beach - After breakfast at the hotel, your entire day is free to explore the area on your own. Spend some time at the beach, take advantage of the excellent shopping opportunities, or spend some time at the local attractions. **(B)**

Day 9 – King Ranch Tour w/ Cowboy BBQ – Waco, TX - Today, visit the largest ranch in Texas, the King Ranch. The Ranch comprises 825,000 acres and was founded in 1853 by Captain Richard King and Gideon K. Lewis. Your guide will explain the history and the modern-day workings of the Ranch. Also included is a Cowboy Camphouse BBQ Lunch. Continue travel to Waco, TX for the night. Dinner is on your own this evening. **(B,L)**

Day 10 - Fixer Upper Tour & Harp Design – Tulsa, OK – This morning, meet your local guide for The Amazing Fixer Upper Tour. See many of the homes, shops (including Harp Design), and historical landmarks featured on the show as well as upcoming fixer uppers'. You may even get to go inside a home on the show!

Then visit the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum, a state-designated official historical center of the famed Texas Rangers law enforcement agency. The Texas Ranger is one of the most cherished symbols of the Lone Star State, a positive and enduring icon of Texas and America. End the day in Tulsa, OK. Dinner is included this evening at a local restaurant. **(B,D)**

Day 11 - Kansas City, MO - Shopping at City Market – New Theatre Dinner Show - Travel today to Kansas City, MO. On arrival, enjoy lunch on own at City Market, one of the largest public farmers' markets in the Midwest. There are over 30 full-time merchants offering specialty foods, fresh meats, restaurants, and much more.

Then check into the Drury Inn Overland Park for the night. This evening, enjoy a dinner show at the New Theatre. See Barry Williams (from the Brady Bunch) star in a show titled "Condo-Monium." A ruthless real estate company wants to evict all the tenants of an aging apartment building to turn it into pricey condos. The only thing stopping them? The tenants, including a cross dressing neighbor, a bankrupt banker, a mobster who might have killed his wife, a widow seeking love in all the wrong places and a huge mischief of mice! **(B,D)**

Day 12 - National Frontier Trails Center - Depart for Home – This morning, stop in Independence, MO at the National Frontier Trails Center, the only museum in the nation devoted to the three great western routes: the Santa Fe, Oregon and California Trails. The "jumping off" point for all three trails, the museum highlights the unique features of each trail and their dramatic impact on American History. After the museum, you travel home. **(B)**

The Travel Protection Plan: is not included but is available and strongly recommended. Premium is non-refundable unless the entire tour cancels. We offer a travel protection plan through Trip Mate Travel Insurance/a division of United States Fire Insurance Company Eatontown, NJ. Any surcharges and/or tax increases received from suppliers for this package (Airlines, Cruise Companies, Hotels, etc.) may result in an increase in the per person price of your tour package.

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