



# Nacogdoches

Visitors Guide



The First & Best of Texas

NacTX

Established:  
**1716**

Population:  
**32,147**

Garden Capital



of Texas

Home of  
**Stephen F. Austin State University**  
The University of Texas System



## Where the past refuses to be forgotten ...

When day breaks over this town, as the sun washes over ancient pathways, your mind wanders to how it all could have started, to what has drawn people of every description to this place for centuries.

Perhaps it's the nine flags that have flown above her or the timeless springs that flow below. This is a town of mixed flavors, warm welcomes and an undaunted spirit.

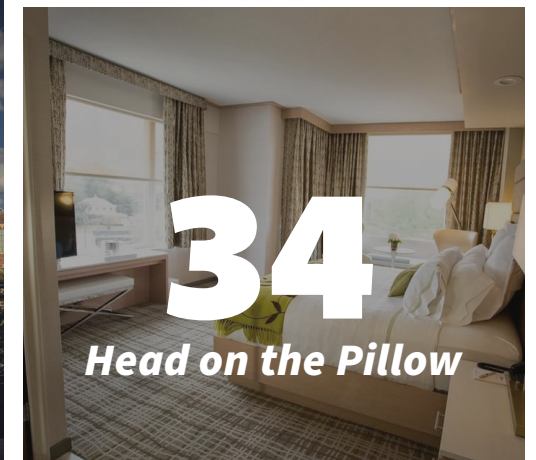
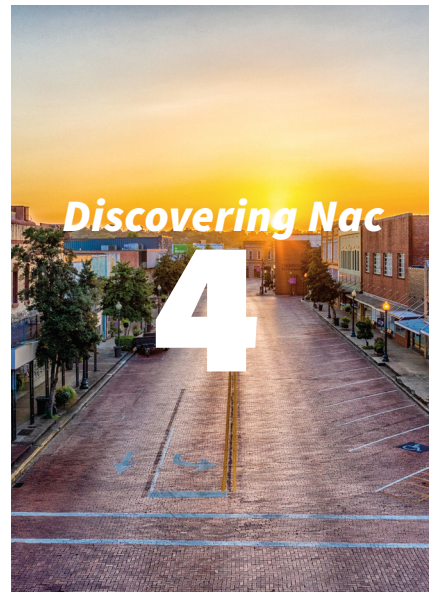
It's a place where independence is in the water and where interdependence is in the DNA.

This town with its open arms, its kaleidoscope of cultures, its venerable institutions, its people. This is a city of contrasts where the past refuses to be forgotten and the future beckons like brilliant sunlight through the forest canopy. This town is a place where you can see the future through the lens of 300 years.

This is Nacogdoches, the first and the best of Texas.

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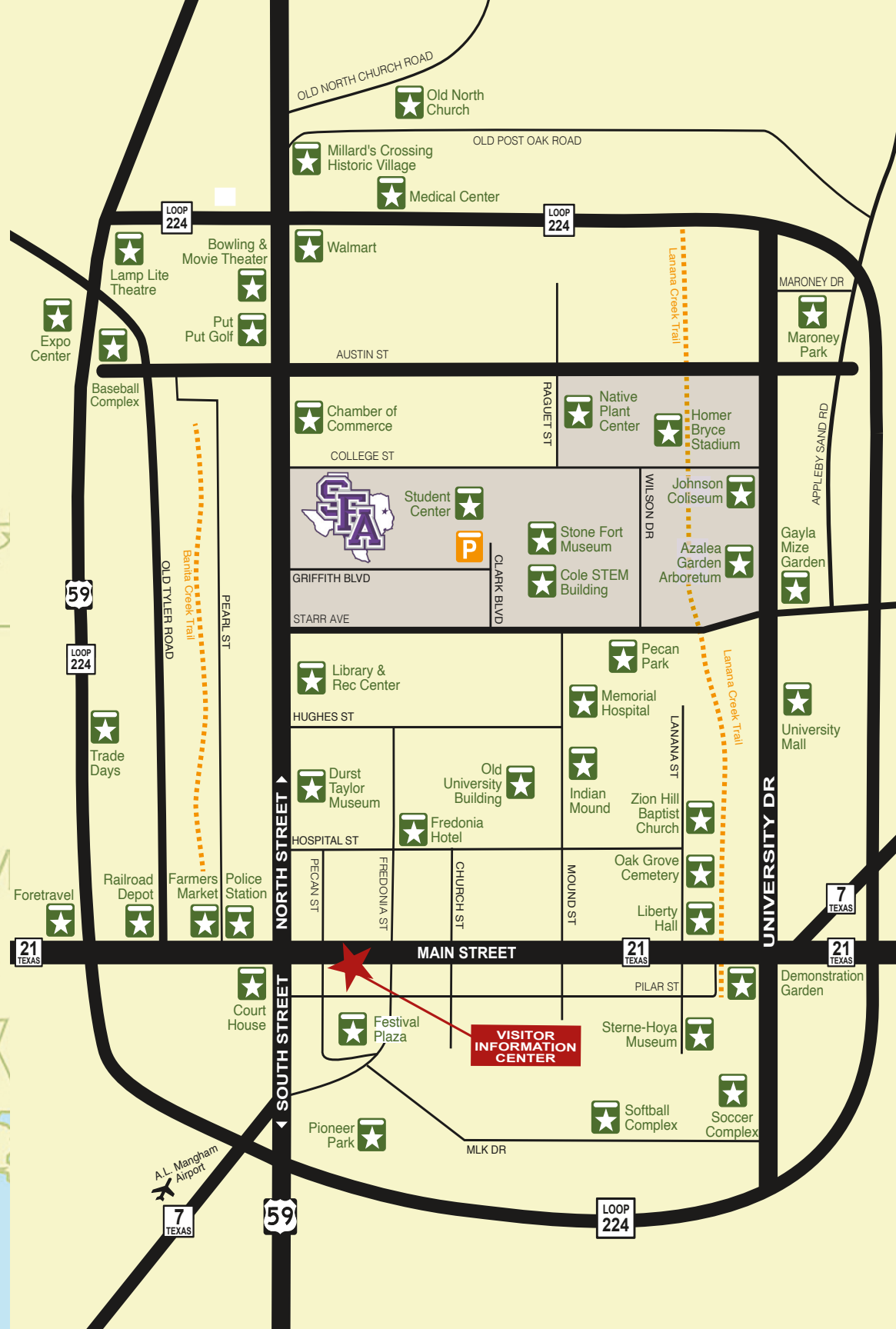
# Texas Starts Here



# Find yourself in Nac.

## Driving Proximity

Austin	4hrs
Dallas	3hrs
Fort Worth	3hrs
Houston	2hrs
Lafayette, LA	4hrs
Natchitoches, LA	2hrs
Natchez, MS	4hrs
San Antonio	5hrs
Shreveport, LA	2hrs
Tyler	1+hrs





# A Taste of Nac

**Relaxing atmosphere, beautiful scenery, somewhere outside or something lively and fun? No matter your mood, these hometown favorites are sure to please.**

Texas Monthly's BBQ feature on the oldest town put the spotlight on **Brendyn's**. What started as a food truck has turned into a booming brick and mortar serving up great traditional BBQ and unique sandwich creations. →

Some of the best Italian in Texas is served up daily at **Auntie Pastas**. You'll find it off the beaten path in an old grocery warehouse. The hometown icon also delivers on delicious cocktails like their famous frozen Bellini.

Southern fare at its finest can be found along the railroad tracks at **Clear Springs Cafe**. Feast your eyes on their famous stacked fried onion rings or sink your teeth into a top notch burger or fried shrimp.

The fine dining crown jewel of East Texas is the elegant and intimate **Republic Steakhouse**. Tucked away in a semi-private dining room, this iconic hometown favorite serves up prime Texas meats, wild caught seafood and decadent desserts. Reservations are encouraged.

Dine like a local at **Butcher Boys**, a wood-paneled market and smokehouse serving burgers, chicken fried steak, fried green tomatoes, jerky and their famous cheese balls or at **Dolli's Diner**, a family favorite for decades.

**The Nine Flags Bar and Grill** is located inside the Fredonia Hotel and is home to some lively libations as well as some of the best small plates and delicacies found anywhere. →

Family owned and operated, **CC's Smokehouse** will draw you in with their hospitality and great food. They specialize in BBQ, burgers and steaks made to order.

What began as a class project of SFA students turned into a hometown staple. Locals flock to **Maklemore's**, steps from SFA, to feast on Mak Balls, pulled pork sliders and wonton cheese sticks, just to name a few.

If you're looking for authentic Tex-Mex and award-winning salsa, look no further than El Rancho. A family owned business for decades, **El Rancho** serves up some of the best Tex-Mex in town.

Located in a beautifully renovated historic building in the heart of downtown Nac, **Roma's Italian Kitchen** is great for people watching. It's also the perfect place to enjoy a glass of wine and your favorite Italian dish on their gorgeous patio or sit by the window inside with a great view of El Camino Real.



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# Toast a Texas Legend

The craft scene in Nac is active and growing. You'll find a delightful selection of local libations and relaxing venues. Be sure to make time to raise a glass while you discover some of the most satisfying artisanal offerings in Texas.

Begin your tour with a visit to a local gem. **Naca Valley Vineyard** is located just out of Nacogdoches, tucked away in a natural forest setting. The property is home to a vineyard, wine making facility and tasting room. Who can resist wine under the stars made from 100% Texas grapes and live music from 100% Texas artists? Also on location is Andy's Cookery food truck, featuring some of the most creative and delicious wood-fired pizza found anywhere.

Just off Main Street you'll find **Red House Winery**, a locally-owned winery housed in a restored historic warehouse. A large, sunny tasting room welcomes you to this cozy venue. There's plenty of space and inviting seating inside for enjoying award-winning Texas wine by the glass or bottle and live music. And just outside, you'll discover porch and patio seating under the shade of large hardwood trees. Most days a food truck is on location serving local favorites.

The **Fredonia Brewery** is located in the heart of Nacogdoches and is quickly developing a following across the state and beyond. Local craft masters are brewing their own brand of IPA, pilsner, lager and barley wine ales to the delight of a growing number of enthusiasts. Named for the Fredonia Rebellion, the hometown brewery has earned top recognition at the state level as part of the Brew City, Texas program, making it a top destination for beer lovers. Slide into a beer garden picnic table or pull up a stool and enjoy the bounty of this local craft brewery.

If artisan spirits are more your style, **Front Porch Distillery** is likely calling your name. Off the beaten path and under a grove of oaks, you will find an offering of craft spirits including rum, moonshine, vodka and barrel-aged whiskey. Known locally for their friendly staff and the "best Bloody Mary ever", this treasure also offers live music and a food truck many days and, yes, is home to legal moonshine.



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# It's In Our Nature



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Outdoor Activities

**No matter what side of town you're in, the side you'll like best is outside. Nac is a natural when it comes to the great outdoors so pack your adventurous side and get ready for a good time.**

Nacogdoches is just a half-hour drive from three of the four National Forests in Texas. Davy Crockett, Angelina and Sabine National Forests offer more than a half million acres of public recreation space. These natural jewels provide stately settings for exploring, camping, hiking, fishing and hunting. From dramatic rolling terrain to lakeside access, from evergreens that seem to touch the sky to mixed hardwood deciduous forests, these carefully preserved natural wonders are an ideal backdrop for your next outdoor adventure.

Whether you're a fisherman, kayaker or just enjoy the lake life, in Nac, there's water, water everywhere. From the serenity and superb angling offered by secluded **Lake Naconiche** to the open water and more residential feel of **Lake Nacogdoches**, you're sure to find the water experience you're looking for. If not, the expansive waters of legendary Sam Rayburn and Toledo Bend Reservoirs are less than an hour's drive away. And if a spring fed swimming hole is more to your liking, there's century old **Camp Tonkawa Springs** to cool down your summer.

Get your heart rate up with a walk, hike or bike ride on one of the many Trails of Nacogdoches. Trail heads are numerous on the east or west side of downtown along Banita and Lanana Creeks. **Lanana Creek Trail** is a 6-mile route that weaves its way through the canopy of the Nacogdoches Forest before running alongside the campus of Stephen F. Austin University and ultimately winding through meadows at its northern end. Banita Creek Trail is two miles of creek bottom terrain that offers numerous photo opportunities including "Ab's Chair", an 8' and 300 lb sculpture celebrating the life of Dr. Ab Abernathy, the "father" of much of the Nac trail system. The **SFA Interpretive Trail** is located west of Nacogdoches and provides some of the most dynamic and scenic views in the area as well as the possible viewing of up to 150 species of birds and 80 species of butterflies.



# Garden Capital of Texas



With thousands of acres of colorful wild flowers, towering forest, and ornamental shrubs, beauty is always in season in Nac. Due to its rich horticultural heritage, numerous public gardens, and scenic landscapes, the city has been officially designated as the “Garden Capital of Texas”.

A tour of the storied Nacogdoches blossoms often begins in the largest azalea garden in Texas. **The Ruby M. Mize Azalea Garden** is located on the Stephen F. Austin University campus and home to more than 7,000 azaleas, a gaudy variety of maple trees and more flowering shrubs and trees than one can count. A “must see” for horticulturists from across the nation and beyond, the garden is named for Ruby Mize, an avid gardener and and mother of the garden’s benefactor.



Also on the university campus, the **SFA Mast Arboretum** is 10 acres of botanical bliss and educational opportunity. The arboretum features a wide array of native and exotic plants, including collections of camellias, roses, and perennials. Established by horticulture professor Dr. David Creech, the arboretum serves as a living laboratory for students and a public space for community and visitor enjoyment.

Another favorite of the SFA Garden District is the **Gayla Mize Garden**. Stretching through acre after acre of mature pines and hardwoods, the garden trail rambles along and over gurgling tributary branches before it hooks and curls into a collection of azaleas and other flowering shrubs. The garden is named for local gardener Gayla Mize, an avid supporter of Nacogdoches Beautiful and SFA Gardens.



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Live Music



# The Stars at Night

One of the first cities in Texas to be certified as a Texas Music Friendly Community, Nacogoches venues are a favorite among Texas and Red Dirt music artists. Balance that reputation with the sounds of SFA's Orchestra in the Pines or Jacks of Steel and you get a blended culture that artists feed off of and audiences love.



Nac's music scene begins in a big way. **Banita Creek Hall** is an historic venue with the largest dance floor in East Texas. Everything about the venerable dance hall says Texas music, which explains the constant arrival of tour buses and big name Texas artists. Located on El Camino Real at the Banita Creek crossing, this is one dance hall that delivers.

On any given night in the historic downtown district, it's hard to walk the brick streets without live music coming faintly from one direction or another. Venues are varied as are the styles of music. **The Cottage, Fredonia Brewery, Nine Flags Bar, Roma's, Red House** to name a few - all offer live entertainment.

Another favorite concentration of music venues is just north of the SFA campus along North Street or "Calle del Norte". **Maklemore's, Barkeeps, Bottle Cap Alley** and others regularly offer live music, particularly on weekends.

**LugNutz, Naca Valley** and **Front Porch** represent a growing number of "out of town" venues located just a short drive from downtown Nac. Add in performances at the pavilion in Festival Park, and it's clear that live music is very much a part of the local culture.



# Chic & Antique

As the primary gateway to Texas and beyond, Nacogdoches has been a trading destination for centuries. Today, hometown merchants continue to line the cobbled streets. Uptown, downtown and all across town, you'll find shop after shop, locally-owned and brimming with unique treasures.

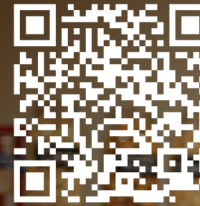
Get a taste of what's in store with a visit to a hometown gourmet popcorn and candy cafe. **SuSu's Popcorn** is a must stop for kids of all ages. Delight your sweet tooth and inner child with an escape into happiness. →

For perhaps Nac's most unusual shopping experience, don't miss **The Fortney House**. This 14-room 1897 Victorian shop boasts a wide array of collections and a huge yard filled with outdoor art. Or if your tastes run more to relaxing in a smoking lounge, find your way along Main Street to the **Nacogdoches Cigar Company**, where you can indulge in a large selection of fine cigars and pipe tobacco while perusing a fine assortment of "mantiques".

As the oldest town in Texas, Nac is home to numerous venders of vintage finds and collectibles. You'll delight in browsing **Auntie Q's, Blue Eyed Cocos Market Square, Brick Street Antiques, Corner Collectibles, Junction Antique Mall, Memory Lane Antiques, Nacogdoches Antique Market, Old Time Antiques and Collectibles, Old Pilar Street Antiques** and many more.

Boutiques abound in the quaint doorways and side streets that connect downtown. Check out these local favorites. **The Balcony Boutique, Clothed in Armor, Gifts and Greeks, House of Traditions, June August, Kat's Korner, Rhinestone Rifles, Sassy Chaos, Spring and Prince** and **Texas Size Bling** are just a few of the shops that are sure to catch your fancy.

For the music lover or anyone looking for the out of the ordinary, downtown Nac has something you won't want to miss. **The General Mercantile and Oldtime String Shop** offers a variety of old time merchandise ranging from acoustic musical instruments and accessories to housewares, toys and clothing. Be sure to stroll by on a Saturday afternoon to enjoy the foot-tapping live string music performed on the front porch.



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# Wine Down the Day

There's no time like Happy Hour to get the evening started and Nac has no shortage of Happy Hour Hangouts. Whether you're sharing a couple of small plate delicacies or kicking off a night of celebration, these favorite's are sure to please.

Reliably good bites and an unexpected drink menu have earned **Maklemore's** local favorite status. It's a great place to unwind with an ice cold beverage and experience casual comfort. From creative tacos to a seasonal ale or a rare find, Mak's delivers. And the Mak's team is passionate about finding new drink selections for guests to try weekly.

The **Cottage Restaurant and Bar** boasts a large private garden, patio and bar where you can enjoy spectacular craft cocktails and the genuine joys of a locally owned and operated eatery. Settle into a comfortable spot for an after-five gathering and live music.

**Nine Flags Bar** in the Fredonia Hotel will delight the senses and warm the heart. The upscale, cozy atmosphere, extraordinary service and variety of unique cocktails will draw you back time and again. Indoor and patio seating are available.

**Barkeeps Eatery & Taps** pours up an expansive beer and liquor menu that is sure to impress. They are adding something new and different to East Texas cuisine and cocktails to ensure they have a flavor for every taste.

A fun, casual experience for all ages is what you will find at **Bottle Cap Alley**. Enjoy a great outdoor space and a happy hour with daily features. If a little activity is what you prefer, try a game of pool, darts, corn hole or Jenga.



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# Where Texas Began



## **Nacogdoches Railroad Depot**

101 South Old Tyler Road

(936) 560-5426

Open: Th - Sat 10-4

Free

Southern Pacific Railroad built the Nacogdoches Depot in 1911 after lightning burned the original building built in 1883. The museum collects, preserves and interprets artifacts and oral histories relating to the history of the depot and railroads of Nacogdoches City and County. National Register of Historic Places.

## **Millard's Crossing Historic Village**

6020 North Street

(936) 564-6631

www.mchvnac.com

Open: Mon - Sat 9-4,

Sundays seasonally

This charming reconstructed historic village comprises a broad sampling of 19th century East Texas architecture. United States Congresswoman Mrs. Albert (Lera Millard) Thomas assembled the collection, which includes log structures and Greek revival houses from the Republic period, Victorian houses from the turn of the century, and a primitive Methodist Church. The Lee House is a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark.

## **Sterne-Hoya House Museum & Library**

211 South Lanana Street

(936) 560-5426

Open: Wed - Sat 10-4

Free

Nicholas Adolphus Sterne, a prominent leader in the fight for Texas independence, built the house in 1830. It is the oldest Nacogdoches structure still standing on its original site. It was bought by Mr. Joseph Von der Hoya in 1869. A small reference library is also part of the museum and is still used by visitors looking for info on Texas history and genealogy. National Register of Historic Places, Recorded Texas Historic Landmark and a State Archeological Landmark.

## **Old University Building**

515 North Mound Street

(936) 569-7292

Open: Tues & Thurs 1-4,

Fri & Sat 10-4

Free

Chartered by the Republic of Texas on February 3, 1845; built in 1859. This landmark structure is the only original building of a university chartered by the Republic of Texas still standing. National Register of Historic Places and a Texas State Landmark.



**Charles Hoya Land Office**

120 East Pilar Street


Designed by Houston architect Frank E. Rue and built in 1897 by long-time Nacogdoches County surveyor Charles Hoya. It was the first fireproof building in Nacogdoches and its Victorian style and Gothic revival details served as a model for other local structures. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark.

**Zion Hill First Baptist Church**

324 North Lanana Street

(936) 800-6620

Open: Wed, Fri, 1st & 2nd Sat of the Month 10-4

Designed by Diedrich Rulfs and built in 1914,  Zion Hill First Baptist Church is a harmonious blend of Gothic and Victorian elements. The Rev. Lawson Reed organized Zion Hill's African-American congregation in 1879. This structure was the third church building occupied by the membership. National Register of Historic Places and Recorded Texas Historic Landmark.

**Charles Bright Visitor Center**

200 East Main Street

(936) 564-7351

Open: Mon - Fri 9 - 5, Sat 10 - 4 & Sun 1 - 4

Designed by U.S. Treasury Department architect James A. Wetmore, this building was erected in 1917-1918 and housed the main city post office as the Nacogdoches Federal Building. It has also served as an army induction center, a public library, and now a tourist information center and historic museum. The structure features brick construction, a symmetrical facade with central entry bay, classical Palladian-type windows, simplified cast stone base and entablature. National Register of Historic Places and a Texas State Landmark.

**The Roland Jones House B&B**

141 North Church Street

(936) 559-1487

This late Victorian residence was built in 1896-97 by architect Diedrich Rulfs for Mr. and Mrs. H.P. Matthews and daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Jones. Four generations of the Jones family lived in the home. Today, The Jones House serves as a bed and breakfast, as well as the Pemberley's Tea Room. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark.



**Durst-Taylor Historic House & Gardens**

304 North Street

(936) 560-4443

Open: Wed - Sat 10 - 4.

Free

Built circa 1830s, this wood frame house and gardens interpret the 1840 time period when the Blackburn family lived there. The house is the second-oldest structure still standing on its original site in Nacogdoches. National Register of Historic Places, Recorded Texas Historic Landmark and a State Archaeological Landmark.

**Stone Fort Museum**

Griffith and Clark Boulevards

(936) 468-2408

Call for hours.

Stephen F. Austin State University is home to a fort that never served as a fort. This 1936 replica of Antonio Gil Y'Barbo's stone house also served as a trading post, church, jail and saloon. The museum interprets East Texas and Nacogdoches history. Recorded Texas Historic Landmark.

# A City of Texas Firsts

## FIRST TWO-STORY BUILDING

Old Stone Fort, Circa 1779

## FIRST WINE CELLAR

Sterne- Hoya Home

## FIRST CEILING FANS

In a downtown drugstore fan blades turned by a mule drawn treadmill outside

## FIRST DISTRICT COURT SESSION

Held in the Old Stone Fort

## FIRST NEWSPAPER

Set to type in 1813

## FIRST OIL FIELD

Located near Oil Springs in Nacogdoches County

## FIRST OIL WELL

Drilled in 1866 in Nacogdoches County

## FIRST PIPELINE

Delivered oil from well sites to storage tanks

## FIRST STEEL STORAGE TANKS

Oil Springs in Nacogdoches County



# The Nine Flags



## FRENCH (1685-1689)

The French never actually settled in East Texas, but French intrusions into the area eventually forced the Spanish to establish permanent settlements in East Texas. Although the precise route is uncertain, La Salle and his men, on their ill-fated attempt to reach the Mississippi from their settlement on the Texas coast, must have come through East Texas.



## SPANISH (1519-1821)

After several unsuccessful attempts during the early 1700s, the Spanish in 1721 were finally successful in establishing a series of six missions and two presidios in East Texas including Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe de los Nacogdoches located in the vicinity of present day Nacogdoches.



## GUTIERREZ - MAGEE (1812-1813)

In 1812 the Old Stone Fort served as the headquarters during the first attempt to create a Texas Republic. Augustus Magee, a former lieutenant in the U.S. Army, joined forces with Bernardo Gutierrez and attempted to take Texas. Some major battles were fought with Mexican forces, but the group was defeated. Texas was declared a province of Mexico, which by this time had declared its independence from Spain.



## DR. JAMES LONG (1819 - 1821)

In 1819, Dr. James Long of Natchez, Mississippi, led an expedition to claim Texas for the United States. Long made his headquarters at the Old Stone Fort, but his group was wiped out while he was on Galveston Island trying to obtain the assistance of the famous pirate and privateer, Jean Lafitte.



## MEXICAN (1821 - 1836)

Mexico formally gained its independence from Spain in August of 1821. The Mexican years date from 1821 to 1836; during this period Nacogdoches grew in size and character. Immigration from the southern U.S. caused a shift to Anglo culture in Nacogdoches. Texas and Coahuila were organized as one state within the Mexican Confederation.



## FREDONIA REBELLION (1826 - 1827)

The third attempt at independence from Mexico was known as the Fredonia Rebellion led by Haden Edwards. Mexico gave Edwards a contract to settle 800 families in the Nacogdoches area.



## LONE STAR (1836 - 1846)

The Battle of Nacogdoches freed the areas east and north of San Antonio of all Mexican troops which allowed Texas the ultimate Declaration of Independence on March 2, 1836.



## CONFEDERATE STARS & BARS (1861 - 1865)

After the revolution, settlement of Texas swept through Nacogdoches to the west. Nacogdoches prospered raising cotton and tobacco, producing timber and advancing slowly while keeping its status as a cultural, educational and religious center.



## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (Since 1846)

On October 13, 1845, Texas voters overwhelmingly approved a United States annexation proposal. In December, President James K. Polk signed the Joint Resolution for the Admission of the State of Texas into the Union, making Texas the 28th state.

# 100 Years of Lumberjacks



Ranked as the number one regional public university in Texas by U.S. News & World Report 2025 Best Colleges rankings, Stephen F. Austin State University represents more than 100 years of education excellence. With 120,000 alumni worldwide, SFA offers 120 major and minor degree programs from six nationally recognized undergraduate schools.

Named for the “Father of Texas”, SFA resides in the heart of Nacogdoches, both physically and figuratively. The community’s unique combination of rich Texas history and college town personality help give Nac a vibe all its own.

As a member of The University of Texas System, SFA celebrates both a rich heritage and a bright future. The university broadly impacts the local community and its culture through performances on stage and in the athletic arena. Regular events include award-winning musical and theatrical performances as well as athletic competition in 18 sports at the Division 1 level. In athletics alone, SFA boasts 111 Division 1 conference titles and two Division 1 national titles.

“The most beautiful college campus in Texas.”



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# Take A Tour Through Texas History



Get up close and personal with the **Oldest Town in Texas** with one or more self-guided tour. Visitors are invited to tour the homes of Texas legends, listen as the brick streets tell their stories and embrace the charm that is unique to this Texas treasure. If you have a group that would like a guided tour, just let us know we'll make it happen.



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## **Downtown Historic Walking Tour**

Visit 15 points of interest in the downtown historic district.

Guided tours are offered each Saturday during the months of May and October, starting at the Visitors Center located on the square in historic downtown.



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## **Nacogdoches County Historical Markers and Monuments**

Historical markers found throughout the county commemorate diverse topics and locations in Texas and local history.



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## **The Nacogdoches Statue Trail**

Ranked number one of 31 things to do in Nacogdoches, the statue trail commemorates important individuals and their roles in the development of the state. Each is the work of an accomplished sculptor. The Nacogdoches Statue Trail provides visitors with an understanding of some of the people and events that have played central roles in the city's and state's history.





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### Azalea Trail

Nacogdoches has been designated “The Garden Capital of Texas,” and home to the largest azalea garden in Texas. The Ruby M. Mize Azalea Garden boasts one of the most diverse azalea collections in the United States and that is just the beginning.



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### The Legacy of Diedrich Rulfs Tour of Homes

Architecture throughout Nacogdoches reflects the work of one of Texas’ most noted designers. The trademark detail of Diedrich Rulfs can be seen in many of the city’s historic structures.



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### Deep East Texas Fall Foliage Trail

Deep East Texas is home to the most beautiful and scenic fall foliage in Texas. The rolling hills and towering forests set this region apart from any other. While driving the trail, please take time to stop and enjoy some of the sites along the way.



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### Mural Tour

Discover the artistic tapestry of downtown Nacogdoches and tour all of the current murals completed by a host of talented artists! Take a self-guided tour, or enjoy a FREE 1 hour guided tours. Meet at the Visitors Center on Saturday mornings at 11 AM for FREE guided mural tours.



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### Pineywoods Barn Quilt Trail

The Pineywoods Barn Quilt Trail is the local piece of barn quilt Americana. The trail includes quilts that are created from either wooden or metal pieces that have been adorned with colorful and unique patterns.



# Save the Dates



## **Nacogdoches Pro Rodeo and Steer Show**

“The Wildest Show in the Oldest Town” The Annual rodeo presented by the Nacogdoches Expo Center features national talent acts, mutton busting, bull riding and more. **March**

## **SFA Gardens Plant Sale**

Shop from a wide variety of Texas tough plants, grown by students and staff at Stephen F. Austin State University. Get there early for the Running of the Waggon where patrons dash to get the best one. **Spring - April/Fall - October**

## **Nacogdoches Wine Swirl**

This annual event features a variety of Texas wines, live music and delicious bites. Don't miss out on this unforgettable wine-filled experience on the brick streets of downtown Nacogdoches. **April**

## **Spring Brewfest**

Sample 25+ different beers, wines, meads, ciders and more crafted by some of your favorite local beer-tenders. Come taste blends crafted by people from all over East Texas. **April**

## **Kite Fest**

This family friendly event is all about the kites. Bring your own or purchase one when you get there. The annual event at the Nacogdoches Airport is a favorite among the locals. Admission is free and you can enjoy carnival style tickets for rides and bounce houses, local vendors and a lot of fun. All proceeds benefit The Helping House in Nacogdoches. **April**

## **DoDat BBQ**

This event has been around for decades. If you love BBQ and a little competition this event is for you. Enjoy free samples and music as you take in all the sites and sounds of a Texas Q completion. Proceeds benefit the Nacogdoches United Way. **April**

## **Sale on the Trail**

Are you ready to “shop til you drop?” Make plans to drive the 100 mile trail between Nacogdoches and Natchitoches, Louisiana for yard sales galore! Along the trail, shoppers will find new and used items sold by local businesses and private individuals. **May**

## **Red Brick Blue Grass Festival**

Enjoy a free family-friendly bluegrass concert in Festival Park featuring some of the best names in bluegrass music from around the USA. **May**

## **Texas Blueberry Festival**

The most delicious festival in the Lone Star State. The 2nd Saturday in June marks a day long celebration of the blueberry harvest. This event has been enjoyed by thousands for more than 30 years and attracts visitors from all over to downtown Nacogdoches. Grab your blueberry pancakes and blueberry lemonade and come have some fun. **Second Saturday in June**

## **Freedom Fest**

Come celebrate our freedom in the oldest town in Texas! Enjoy a fireworks show, food trucks, vendors and games in Festival Park. This is an event for the whole family. **July**

## **Old Town Rig Down**

It's a big rig truck show featuring the biggest, baddest rigs in the country lined up on the brick streets of Nacogdoches. The Massey family really puts on a show with this event. This two day event includes food, live music, live auction and so much more. the brick streets at night to experience a beautiful light show of the rigs. **September**

## **Tabacodoches Cigar Festival**

This is an unforgettable day of premium cigars, love music, and delicious BBQ from Brendyn's BBQ. Enjoy a unique opportunity to indulge in the finest cigars, spirits and cuisine. **October**

## **SFA Homecoming**

SFA's annual homecoming is one of the university's most popular and spirited traditions. It all starts with a live auction where students and alumni alike can bid on items such as season tickets, spirit wear, summer camps and so much more. Other activities include a concert, bonfire, fireworks, parade, 5k run, football game, tailgating and so much more. **October**

## **Dias de los Muertos**

One of the most colorful and cultural events that happens in downtown Nacogdoches. This unique celebration has become a Nacogdoches tradition. Enjoy music, costumes, dancing, food and lots of vendors. Fun for all ages. **November**

## **Holiday in the Pines**

A holiday shopping extravaganza!! More than 60 specialty stores and shops from coast to coast gather for holiday shopping and fun. Sample tasty food items, mingle with your friends and get a head start on your holiday shopping. **November**

## **Wassail Fest**

Enjoy the spirit of Christmas all while tasting delicious spiced wassail in participating stores. Grab your family and visit each participating store and help us decide who has the best wassail. **November**

## **Nine Flags Lighted Christmas Parade**

Downtown Nacogdoches turns into a scene from a Hallmark movie. The streets are lined with families as they watch local businesses and organizations put on a Christmas light spectacular. **December**

## **Christmas Tour of Homes**

A tour of some of the most beautiful homes in Nac all decked out for the holidays. **December**

## **Millard's Crossing Old Fashioned Christmas**

Christmas like the Good ol' days. Enjoy photos with Santa, a Christmas tree lighting, petting zoo, pony rides, a hayride, music and so much more. **December**

# Head On the Pillow

## Hotels

	Rate	Food Service	Pool	Pets	Meeting Spc.
<b>Comfort Suites</b> 3429 South St.   936.560.9900 / 877.424.6423	\$\$	★	★		★
<b>Fredonia Hotel</b> 200 N. Fredonia St.   936.564.1234	\$\$\$	★	★	★	★
<b>Hampton Inn &amp; Suites</b> 3625 South St.   936.560.9901 / 800.HAMPTON	\$\$\$	★	★		★
<b>Holiday Inn Express Hotel &amp; Suites</b> 3807 South St.   936.564.0100 / 800.HOLIDAY	\$\$\$	★	★	★	★
<b>Motel 6 &amp; Studio 6</b> 3400 South St.   936.305.4148	\$			★	★
<b>Spark by Hilton</b> 3909 South St.   936.560.2888	\$\$	★	★	★	★

## Motels

<b>Luxury Inn &amp; Suites</b> 6909 North St.   936.564.4899	\$				
<b>Best Western Inn of Nacogdoches</b> 3428 South St.   936.560.4900 / 800.528.1234	\$\$	★	★		★
<b>Motel 6</b> 4809 N.W. Stallings Dr.   936.560.1906	\$\$		★	★	
<b>Continental Inn &amp; Suites</b> 2728 North St.   936.560.5555	\$\$				
<b>Days Inn</b> 2724 North St.   936.715.0005	\$	★	★		
<b>Red Roof Inn</b> 2020 N.W. Loop 224   936.569.0880	\$			★	
<b>Quality Inn</b> 3215 South St.   936.205.4305	\$	★		★	
<b>Victoria Inn &amp; Suites</b> 3612 North St.   936.560.6038 / 800.935.0676	\$				

## B&B's / Other Unique Lodging

	Rate	Children	Food Service	Event Spc.	Pets	Water Activity
<b>Hardeman House</b> 316 N. Church St. 936.205.5280	\$\$\$	★	★	★		
<b>Eagle Nest Hidden Lake Resort</b> 19299 US Hwy 59 North 936.520.0838 / 936.204.3591	\$\$\$	★	★	★		★
<b>Mockingbird Suites</b> 418 N. Mound St. 936.552.6406	\$\$\$					
<b>Pineywoods Hideaway</b> 537 County Rd. 200 936.205.9376	\$\$\$	★	★			
<b>Stag Leap Country Cabins*</b> 2219 FM 2782 936.560.0766	\$\$\$	★	★	★		★
<b>Summit Hill</b> (Extended Stay Only) 1111 County Road 504 936.554.4245 / 936.554.0306	\$\$	★				★
<b>The Jones House</b> 141 N. Church St. 936.645.5094	\$\$\$				★	

\*Offers special extended stay rates

\$-Under \$60, \$\$-\$60-\$100, \$\$\$-Over \$100



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# Living the RV Life



## SHADY PINES RV PARK

www.shadypinesrvpark.net  
Phone: (936) 652-2899  
4625 NW Stallings Dr.

## FOREST COUNTRY RV PARK

(936) 559-1645  
NW Stallings Dr.  
Next to the Nacogdoches Expo Center

## FAIRWAY RV RESORT

www.fairwayrv.com  
Phone: (936) 462-9900.  
Woodland Hills Golf Course.  
5393 US Hwy 59 S.

## RED BARN RV

(936) 564-0248  
Located at 13995 Hwy 59 N.

## PINE CREEK LODGE

(936) 560-6282  
341 Pine Creek Rd., 10 miles  
west of town

## NACOGDOCHES RV PARK

(936) 564-7889  
3915 N.W. Stallings Dr.

## EAGLE NEST HIDDEN LAKE RESORT

eaglenesthiddenlakeresort.com  
19299 US HWY 59 N,  
Garrison, Texas 75946  
936-520-0838

## THE PLACE at Sam Rayburn

168 Brough Rd.  
Huntington TX 75949  
(936) 554-0219  
theplacerv.com

## CAMP TONKAWA SPRINGS RV PARK

www.camptonkawa.com  
Phone: (936) 564-8888.  
4675 CR 153  
From U.S. 259 North of Nacogdoches,  
turn east on CR 1087. Go 4.5 miles.  
Turn right on CR 153.

## PINEY POINT LIVING

(936) 564-2011  
101 Lake Park Dr.  
Located at 4405 South St.

## SHIRLEY CREEK MARINA

(936) 854-2233  
23177 FM 226  
Hwy 103 E. and FM 226 S.  
On Lake Sam Rayburn

## RV PARK

(936) 554-1578  
1721 FM 698  
1.4 miles west on FM 698 off  
Hwy 259 N.

## TRAILER VILLAGE CAMPER PARK

(936) 615-1236  
16580 US 59 N Garrison, TX

## WESTERN PINES

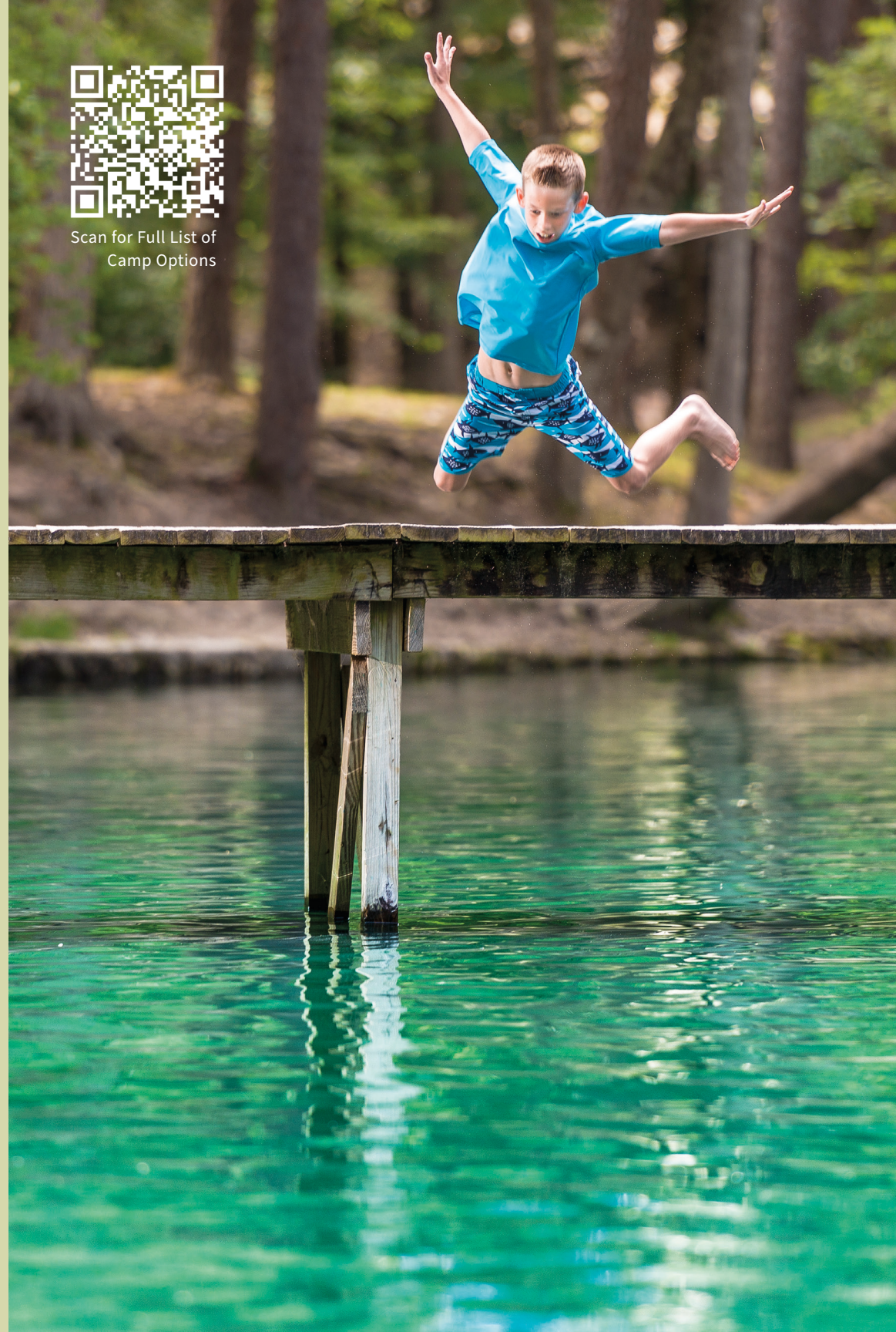
RV Park  
5001 NW Stallings Dr  
936-645-6352

## OLD TOWN RV PARK

5712 North Street  
936-462-3956



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# Play in the Pines



## GOLF COURSES

### Lumberjack National

3001 US HWY 59 S  
936-569-9821

### Woodland Hills

359 County Road 5021  
Nacogdoches, TX 75964

### Crown Colony

900 Crown Colony Dr,  
Lufkin, TX 75901  
(936) 637-8811

### Neches Pines Golf Course

Public Course  
901 Lumberjack Dr,  
Diboll, TX 75941  
(936) 829-5086

### Birmingham Golf Club

Public Course  
875 Copeland St,  
Rusk, TX 75785  
(903) 683-9518

### Center Country Club

Semi Private  
3839 US-96,  
Center, TX 75935  
(936) 598-7415

### Opening Soon Wild Spring Dunes

tjferrell@dreamgolf.com  
www.wildspringdunes.com

## DISK GOLF

### Pecan Acres Park

826 E Starr Ave,  
Nacogdoches, TX 75961

### Banita Creek Park

439 Pearl St #379,  
Nacogdoches, TX 75961

### Pioneer Park

501 Lenwood Street  
Nacogdoches, TX 75961

### Lake Nacogdoches Eastside & Westside Parks

12790 FM 225,  
Nacogdoches, TX 75964

## PICKLEBALL COURSES

### C.L. Simon Recreation Center

1112 North Street  
Nacogdoches, TX 75961

### Banita Creek Park

439 Pearl St #379,  
Nacogdoches, TX 75961

### Maroney Park

1912 Maroney Dr,  
Nacogdoches, TX 75965



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# Historic Grounds

Looking for a place to meet with friends, sit down for a moment of escape or study? Nac's coffee scene will not disappoint. You'll find just the right grind and just the right vibe from a variety of shops serving up seasonal favorites and timeless basics.

One of Nac's newest, **Dilly Dally** is a good place for parents and kiddos to escape and unwind, located near downtown.

You'll also find your favorites at the American standard, **Dunkin' Donuts**, located on North Street north of the SFA campus.

Fast becoming a favorite in town is **Dutch Bros Coffee**. It's where you'll find speedy, friendly drive thru service and lots of regulars and just south of campus.

**Java Jacks Coffee House** has been a standard in town for three decades. You're not likely to miss the odd-shaped building on North Street south of SFA.

Another national standard serving up favorites, **Starbucks** has two locations. One is on North Street across from the SFA campus and the other in the Student Center on campus.

Located on Main Street in the historic district, **Stone House Kitchen** is a downtown favorite, both for its coffee and its coziness.

**University Coffee** is another hometown favorite. Also on North Street north of the SFA campus, this local favorite is a three level hang out with inside and outside seating.



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# Year 'Round Fun!

