

San Antonio & Legendary Texas Towns

10 Days / 9 Nights

Departure Date: March 15-24

Tour Code: SATT91

DAY ONE

Depart the icy winds of Wisconsin for the warm western breezes of Texas. Today we meet our fellow passengers as we make our way south into Illinois and our first overnight destination of St. Louis, Missouri. Our accommodations will be at the Drury Inn.

DAY TWO — CB, L

After a hot, hearty breakfast we're on the road again, passing through the foothills of the Ozarks as we motor through Missouri. We'll pause for lunch just before passing into Oklahoma and rest our heads at the Hyatt Place Bricktown in Oklahoma City.

DAY THREE — CB, L

Depart for Cow Town or better known as Fort Worth, TX this morning. The Old West comes to life before your eyes during the world's only cattle drive. Real Texas cowhands drive a herd of Texas longhorns down Exchange Avenue everyday in the Stockyards National Historic District. Time for shopping in this historic area of the city before enjoying lunch at the famous Cattleman's Restaurant. Then we're off to the Dallas metropolis to visit The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza which chronicles the assassination and legacy of President John F. Kennedy. You will also be able to explore history through one of the world's most significant repositories of original photographs, film and video footage, documents and artifacts related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy—a continually growing, multifaceted collection of approximately 35,000 items. Tonight we will pause for our overnight in the city of Austin, famous for its music and welcoming hospitality. We are hosted by the Drury Inn.

DAY FOUR — CB

Today we head for the hills just outside of San Antonio. With 200 shops and stores, Fredericksburg offers a boundless array of the fresh, the quaint, the one-of-a-kind that you won't find any place else. Antiques and art. Handiwork and home decor. We've also come here for a visit to The National Museum of the Pacific War dedicated to perpetuating the memory of the Pacific Theater of WWII. The beautiful courtyard is ringed by handsome old limestone walls that hold plaques honoring the contributions of individuals, ships and units during the war in the Pacific. The Plaza of Presidents is a striking outdoor tribute to the ten American presidents who served in the armed forces during WWII. It's just a short drive to our destination of the San Antonio Riverwalk and our accommodations for four nights at the Drury Inn & Suites.

DAY FIVE — CB, L

There are lots of things to see and do in San Antonio and very nearby. Today we get our bearings as a local guide gives us fact and folklore here in San Antonio. A stop at the Alamo Historic Site is a must. Originally named Mission San Antonio de Valero its best known as the site of an heroic battle to defend it against the forces of the invading Mexican army lead by General Santa Anna. Later tour the elegant three-story Edward Steves Mansion located in the King William Historic District on the east bank of the San Antonio River. Built in 1876 for the founder of the Steves Lumber Company it is an ashlar limestone structure which features a concave mansard roof with decorative iron cresting characteristic of the French Second Empire and the Italian Villa styles. Lunch is located right in the heart of downtown. The Historic Buckhorn Saloon has served customers for over 129 years with fantastic food and spectacular wildlife exhibits. Today, the saloon houses a Café, Gift Shop, Shooting Gallery and two museums, the Buckhorn Museum and the Texas Ranger Museum. Be sure to wander through each. The Institute of Texas Cultures is a Smithsonian Affiliate. You will experience

the cultures and stories of people around the globe that now call Texas home. Finish the day at the top of the Tower of the America's for a great view of San Antonio.

DAY SIX —CB, L

Today we head to Hill Country and the town of Wimberley, designated as one of America's "Ten Best Small Towns" by Travel Holiday Magazine. We're invited to visit the studio and observe the process of glass blowing by master craftsmen at the Wimberley Glassworks. Witness all types of brilliantly colored lighting globes, jewelry, glassware, vases and chandeliers being produced. Departing Wimberley we enjoy one of Texas' most scenic drives Enjoy what this part of our country is about – BBQ – at Salt Lick BBQ for our included lunch today. The LBJ Ranch is another venture to the past as we view the 36th President's Library and Museum beginning with his ancestors until his final resting place on his beloved ranch.

DAY SEVEN — CB

Today a local historian joins us for a comprehensive tour of several local missions including the Mission Concepcion and the Mission San Jose. After enjoy free time at the El Mercado Historic Market Square for great souvenir shopping and lunch this afternoon finds us touring the nationally known shoe company SAS to learn more about this successful company. The evening is yours to explore the many restaurants and other fun spots on the Riverwalk.

DAY EIGHT — CB, L

So quickly comes our time to pack up and depart San Antonio. We retrace our steps eastward bound this time, making a quick lunch stop at quirky and popular TV renovation program's Magnolia Silo's in Waco, TX. Oklahoma City will be our overnight destination at the Hyatt Place Bricktown.

DAY NINE — CB, L

We head across the plains of Oklahoma and are soon crossing into the Show Me State of Missouri. We'll pause for a relaxing and giddy lunch experience at Lambert's Home of the Throwned Rolls in the little town of Ozark. Tonight is our final overnight at the Drury Inn, in Collinsville, IL

DAY TEN — CB

Time to say so long to old and new friends today as we are homeward bound after a great winter break in Texas.

PER PERSON PRICING:

\$1,988 Double | \$1,876 Triple | \$1,757 Quad | \$2,555 Single

Deposit: \$200 per person within 7 days of making reservation. Final payment due 60 days prior to departure. Luggage handling is included.