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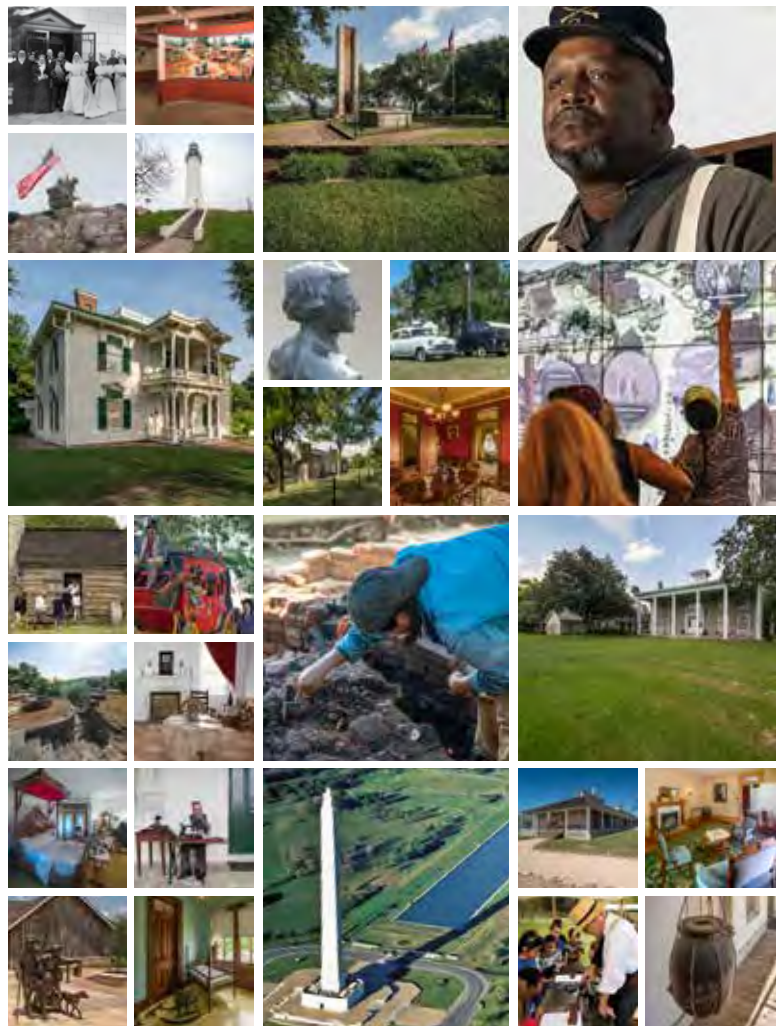
While touring these historic sites, help the Texas Historical Commission preserve the past. Please be mindful of fragile historic artifacts and respectful of historic structures. We want to ensure their preservation for the enjoyment of future generations.

Support the preservation of these special places.
Consider making a donation to support ongoing
preservation and education efforts at our sites
at thcfriends.org.

Many of our sites offer indoor and outdoor facility rentals for weddings, meetings, and special events. Interested parties should contact the site for more information.




31 state historic sites telling the real stories of Texas



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**TEXAS
HISTORICAL
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REAL PLACES TELLING REAL STORIES

STORIED SITES OF TEXAS

At 31 historic sites across the state, the Texas Historical Commission (THC) invites Texans and visitors to experience firsthand the rich legacy of our ancestors. These unique places honor the past and inspire an understanding of what it means to be a Texan. They enhance the learning experience of children, families, and adults and ensure that our

heritage is passed on to future generations. From American Indian sites to frontier forts to common and elegant homes and the leaders and statesmen who lived in them, these sites enrich people's lives through history. Please visit and enjoy them!

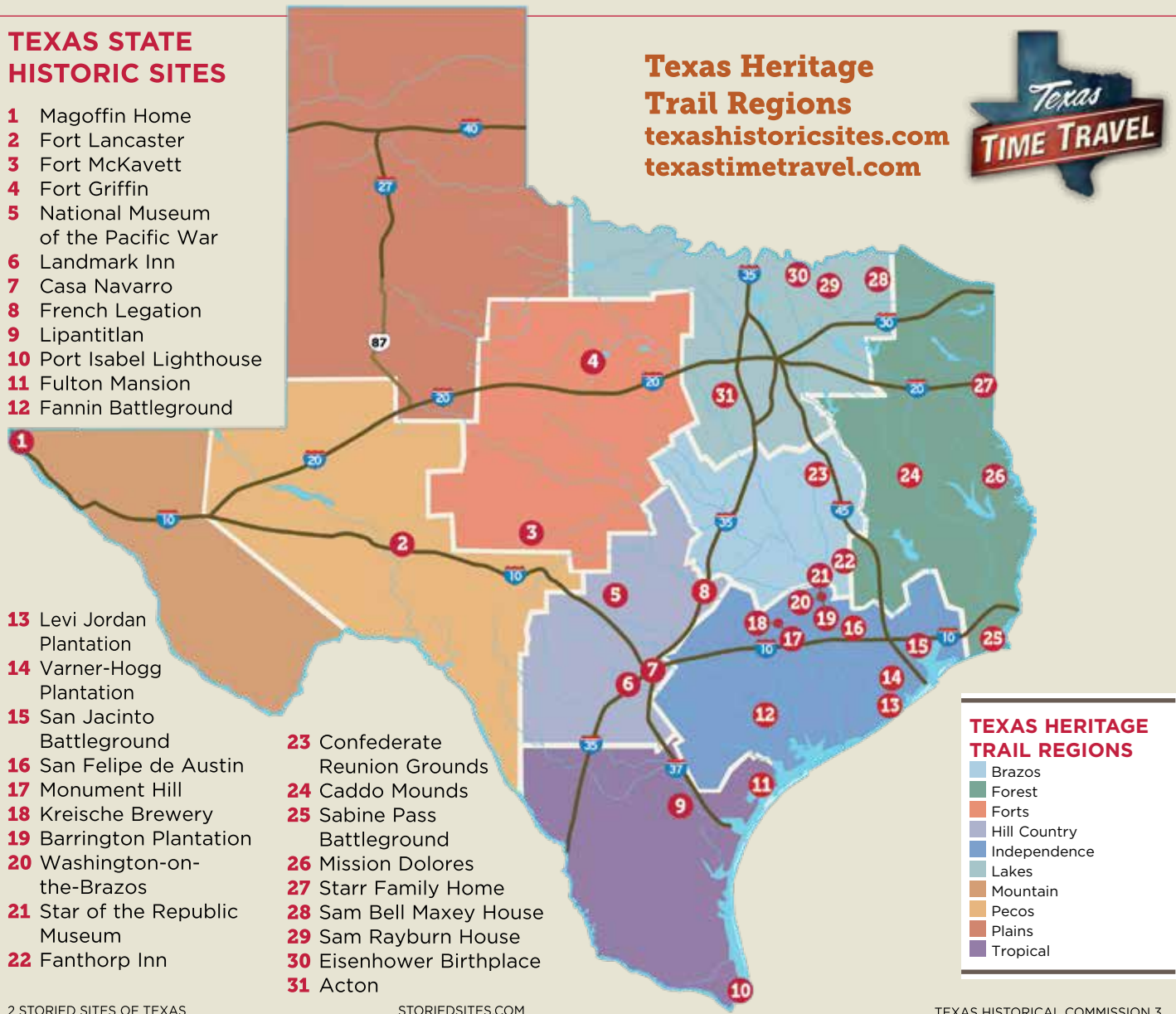
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1 Magoffin Home State Historic Site

This house features the stories of a multicultural family who influenced the early development of the Southwest borderlands. Magoffin family members actively participated in U.S. expansion, West Texas settlement, trade on the Santa Fe-Chihuahua Trail, Civil War turmoil, and U.S.-Mexico relations. Built in 1875, the restored adobe structure reflects southwestern Territorial architecture.

1120 Magoffin St., El Paso, TX 79901

915-533-5147 • visitmagoffinhome.com

2 Fort Lancaster State Historic Site



This 82-acre site preserves the remnants of one of four U.S. Army posts established in 1855 to protect the overland route between San Antonio and El Paso. Travelers can explore the visitors center and fort ruins, imagining the 25 military buildings that once stood there.

629 Fort

Lancaster Rd.

Sheffield, TX 79781

432-836-4391

visitfortlancaster.com

3 Fort McKavett State Historic Site

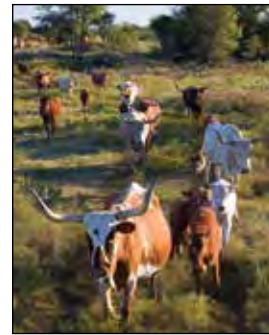
This 150-year-old West Texas fort stands atop a remote hill in Menard County. It is one of the best-preserved examples of a Texas Indian Wars (1850–75) military post. Gen. William T. Sherman once described it as “the prettiest post in Texas.”

7066 FM 864, Fort McKavett, TX 76841

325-396-2358 • visitfortmckavett.com



4 Fort Griffin State Historic Site



Holding command over the Southern Plains, Fort Griffin was one of the U.S. Army’s defensive forts from 1867–81, during the Indian Wars. The site is home to the Official State of Texas Longhorn Herd, the breed that helped create the cowboy mystique.

1701 N. U.S. Hwy. 283, Albany, TX 76430

325-762-3592 • visitfortgriffin.com

5 National Museum of the Pacific War

The only institution in the continental United States dedicated exclusively to telling the story of the Pacific Theater in World War II, the expanded



museum and six-acre campus includes exhibits, memorial areas, the Japanese Garden of Peace, and the Pacific Combat Zone living history amphitheater.

340 E. Main St., Fredericksburg, TX 78624

830-997-8600 • pacificwarmuseum.org

6 Landmark Inn State Historic Site



Located on the banks of the Medina River and nestled in the historic town of Castroville, this newly renovated bed-and-breakfast tells the story of Alsatian settlement and early commerce in Texas.

The 1850s inn, store, and mill provided services to travelers and the community into the 20th century. Overnight room rentals are available.

402 E. Florence St., Castroville, TX 78009
830-931-2133 • visitlandmarkinn.com

7 Casa Navarro State Historic Site

Casa Navarro, a National Historic Landmark, explores the life of one of early Texas' most influential leaders, José Antonio Navarro, through interactive exhibits in his restored 19th-century home. A rancher and merchant, Navarro was one of only



two native-born Texans to sign the Texas Declaration of Independence and was a leading advocate for Tejano rights.

228 S. Laredo St., San Antonio, TX 78207
210-226-4801 • visitcasanavarro.com

8 French Legation State Historic Site



The French Legation opened in 1841 as a private home for French chargé d'affaires to the Republic of Texas, Alphonse Dubois, after France recognized the Republic of Texas as a

sovereign nation. Said to be the oldest house in Austin, the site is currently closed for renovations.

802 San Marcos St., Austin, TX 78702
512-463-7948 • visitfrenchlegation.com



9 Lipantitlan State Historic Site

Approximate location of a Mexican fort surrendered to Texan forces in 1835. No services or facilities.

10 Port Isabel Lighthouse State Historic Site

The last Texas lighthouse that is open to the public, this historic structure was built in 1852 and remained lit until the early 1900s. Tour the museum and reconstructed lighthouse keeper's cottage, then climb up the 72-foot tower and enjoy the beautiful coastal sights.

421 East Queen Isabella Blvd., Port Isabel, TX 78578
956-943-2262 • visitportisabellighthouse.com

Operated by the City of Port Isabel in cooperation with the Texas Historical Commission.

11 Fulton Mansion State Historic Site



The Fulton family's impressive home overlooks scenic Aransas Bay. This home—with its mansard roof and ornate trim work—was progressive, luxurious, and rare in this part of Texas in the late 1800s. It reflects George Fulton's engineering skill and success as an inventor and rancher.

317 Fulton Beach Rd., Rockport, TX 78382
361-729-0386 • visitfultonmansion.com

12 Fannin Battleground State Historic Site



This site memorializes the brave soldiers who fought and lost the battle of Coleto Creek in 1836 during the Texas War for Independence. Exhibits tell the story of the battle and the fate of Fannin's men. Their defeat helped galvanize the will of Texans to win the War of Independence.

734 FM 2506, Fannin, TX 77960

979-0885-2181 • visitfanninbattleground.com

13 Levi Jordan Plantation State Historic Site

Levi Jordan moved his family and 12 enslaved workers to Texas to establish a sugar and cotton plantation on the San Bernard River in the 1840s. The site highlights the multiple perspectives and evolving relationships of those who lived and worked on the land during the 19th century. The site is under development.



979-345-4656 • visitlevijordanplantation.com

14 Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site



Settled in 1824 by one of Texas' first colonizers, Martin Varner, and developed as a sugar plantation by Columbus Patton, it was later owned by Texas Gov. James S. Hogg and furnished by his philanthropist daughter, Ima Hogg.

Visitors can explore Ima Hogg's outstanding decorative arts collection and learn about the people who lived and worked on this property.

1702 N. 13th St., W. Columbia, TX 77486

979-345-4656 • visitvarnerhoggplantation.com



15 San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site

The decisive Battle of San Jacinto resulted in Texas' independence from Mexico in 1836. This 1,200-acre park includes the towering San Jacinto Monument and the San Jacinto Museum of History. Come tour the grounds, explore the museum, and experience where Texas' independence was won.

3523 Independence Parkway S., La Porte, TX 77571

281-479-2431 • visitsanjacinto.com

16 San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site

The site preserves the location where Stephen F. Austin, the "Father of Texas," established his colony in 1823.

A 10,000 square-foot visitors center opened in April 2018 and shares the stories of Austin and his settlers through museum exhibits, multimedia and graphic displays, and outdoor tours of the historic landscape.

220 2nd St., San Felipe, TX 77473

979-885-2181 • visitsanfelipedeastin.com



17 Monument Hill State Historic Site



The monument marks the tomb of the men that died during the Dawson Massacre of September 1842 and the ill-fated Mier expedition of November 1842, also known as the Black Bean Incident. Nearby citizens reinterred their

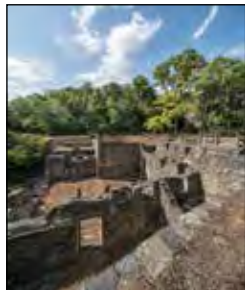
remains here in a common tomb so that they can be honored for their sacrifice. The site is now marked by a 1936 Texas Centennial Marker.

414 State Loop 92, La Grange, TX 78945

979-968-5658 • visitkreischebrewery.com

18 Kreische Brewery State Historic Site

Master stonemason and German immigrant Heinrich Kreische built his 1849 home and one of Texas' first commercial breweries in the 1860s. Walk the ruins of this once-bustling brewery and see how it remains a lasting example of prosperity by immigrants in Texas. The Kreische Brewery and home are listed in the National Register of Historic Places.



414 State Loop 92, La Grange, TX 78945

979-968-5658 • visitkreischebrewery.com

19 Barrington Plantation State Historic Site



Explore the original home of Anson Jones, the last president of the Republic of Texas. The Jones family lived at the plantation for over a decade, farming cotton with enslaved labor after Texas joined the union. This living history site is complete

with period-costumed interpreters preserving 19th-century farming practices, including working livestock. Experience the daily lives of those who labored in Texas more than 150 years ago.

23400 Park Rd. 12, Washington, TX 77880

936-878-2214 • visitbarringtonplantation.com



20 Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site

On March 2, 1836, the Texas Declaration of Independence was signed at this location, marking the birthplace of the Republic of Texas as well as one of its early capitals. Today, the historic site rests where Washington once flourished and contains a reconstruction of Independence Hall, the Star of the Republic Museum, and Barrington Plantation, home of the last president of the Republic. Discover history where Texas became Texas.

23400 Park Rd. 12, Washington, TX 77880

936-878-2214 • visitwashingtononthebrazos.com

21 Star of the Republic Museum

In 1965, State Representative Gus Mutscher introduced a bill for construction of a "Worthy Museum, at the Birthplace of Texas that would be a Star upon a Star." The museum opened on March 1, 1970. It is the only museum created by the Legislature for the purpose of interpreting the Republic period of Texas history.

23200 Park Rd 12, Washington, TX 77880

936-878-2461 • visitstaroftherepublic.com



22 Fanthorp Inn State Historic Site

Built in 1834 by English immigrant Henry Fanthorp, this restored stagecoach stop and inn provides visitors a realistic look into travelers' experiences in the 1850s. At Fanthorp Inn, visitors can travel to the past for a glimpse into 19th-century hotel accommodations.

579 S. Main St., Anderson, TX 77830
936-873-2633 • visitfanthorpinn.com



23 Confederate Reunion Grounds State Historic Site



On the banks of the Navasota River, Civil War veterans met for reunions from 1889–1946. Today, the site remains a gathering place for living history events, recreation, and family reunions. The 1893 dance pavilion and a Civil War-era cannon remind visitors about the past.

1738 FM 2705, Mexia, TX 76667
254-472-0959 • visitcrg.com

24 Caddo Mounds State Historic Site

More than 1,200 years ago, a group of Caddo Hasinai Indians built a village and ceremonial center here. Today, three earthen mounds still rise from the lush Piney Woods landscape. Discover the everyday life of the Caddo people through exhibits and programs.

1649 State Hwy. 21 West, Alto, TX 75925
936-858-3218 • visitcaddomounds.com



25 Sabine Pass Battleground State Historic Site

The location of a significant Civil War battle, this site honors a small band of Confederate soldiers who defeated four Union gunboats and prevented Union forces from invading the Texas interior in 1863.

The site features a memorial to Confederate Lt. Richard “Dick” Dowling and interpretive exhibits.

6100 Dowling Rd., Port Arthur, TX 77640
512-463-7948 • visitsabinepassbattleground.com



26 Mission Dolores State Historic Site

A Spanish mission built in 1721 in what is now San Augustine County, this site tells the important history about the American Indian experience with Texas' earliest European settlers. Visitors can explore the site's history at the museum, where interpretive displays tell the story of Mission Dolores. The property also has a campground, picnic area, and group pavilions.

701 S. Broadway St., San Augustine, TX 75972
936-275-3815 • visitmissiondolores.com





27 Starr Family Home State Historic Site

James Harper Starr, land commissioner for the Republic of Texas, and his son Frank were important land agents, surveying and issuing titles for more than one million acres in 90 Texas counties during the 19th century. Maplecroft, Frank's richly appointed late-Victorian home, is the focal point of this site.

407 W. Travis St., Marshall, TX 75670

903-935-3044 • visitsstarrfamilyhome.com

28 Sam Bell Maxey House State Historic Site



In 1868, Sam Bell Maxey, a West Point educated Mexican War veteran, Confederate general, and future two-term U.S. senator, moved his family into their fashionable new home on the south side of Paris. There, the Maxey family, and later the Long family, navigated political and legal scenes of Reconstruction-Era Texas and its after-effects.

812 Church St., Paris, TX 75460

903-785-5716 • visitsambellmaxeyhouse.com

29 Sam Rayburn House State Historic Site

Sam Rayburn was one of the most powerful and influential U.S. politicians in the 20th century, serving 24 terms in the U.S. House



of Representatives, with 17 terms as Speaker of the House. The house, a National Historic Landmark, is still furnished as it was at Rayburn's death, with his belongings and memorabilia from the 1930s to the 1960s.

890 W. State Hwy. 56, Bonham, TX 75418

903-583-5558 • visitsamrayburnhouse.com

30 Eisenhower Birthplace State Historic Site



The modest white frame house at this site is where the 34th U.S. president and WWII commander, Dwight David "Ike" Eisenhower, was born in 1890. Period furnishings illustrate the family's

working-class life in the town of Denison, once a hub for the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad.

609 S. Lamar Ave., Denison, TX 75021

903-465-8908 • visiteisenhowerbirthplace.com

31 Acton State Historic Site

The gravesite of Elizabeth Crockett, the second wife of celebrated folk hero Davy Crockett, is marked by a 1911 monument to Crockett's widow, who died in 1860. The site is within Acton Cemetery.

FM 167, Acton, TX 76049

512-463-7948

visitactontx.com

