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Rose Hill Manor

The Hill Country's Finest Bed & Breakfast Fredericksburg, TX

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THE HILL COUNTRY

5 Day Guide





The Hill Country Experience Sampler Travel Guide

DAY 1

8:00 am - 9:30 am

Begin your day with a chef prepared 3-course hot breakfast in the main dining room. After breakfast, enjoy a stroll around Rose Hill Manor to embrace the scenery of Rose Hill Manor.

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Drive to Fredericksburg for a <u>Walking Tour of Fredericksburg Historic District</u>. Starting and ending at the Visitor Information Center located at 302 East Austin Street, this tour features 30 of the over 700 historically significant structures in the Fredericksburg historic district, giving you a flavor of the Fredericksburg story and the architectural styles that have evolved over the decades. Spend a half a day to a full day exploring the historical sites of Fredericksburg.

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Take a break for lunch at the <u>Vaudeville on Main</u>. A bistro-style cafe featuring daily lunch specials, freshly baked pastries and specialty meats and cheeses. After lunch, walk through Vaudeville's gallery for contemporary art in the heart land of the Texas Hill Country.

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Tour Fredericksburg's noteworthy art galleries starting on East Main Street. The **Whistle Pik Galleries**, know as Fredericksburg's first national art gallery, features estate art, limited edition prints, bronzes, and books. Next, visit the **Dan Pfeiffer Gallery** on 102 South Lincoln Street in a renovated 1890s Meat Market/Butcher Shop. Dan's gallery features art from internationally known painters, sculptors, and furniture designers, as well as his own work. Cross East Main Street and tour the **Fredericksburg Art Guild**, **Fredericksburg Art Gallery**, and **Fredericksburg's Talk of the Town**.

End your art crawl on West Main Street. **Insight Gallery** is housed in a beautifully restored 12,000 square foot 1907 building and features a select group of the finest painters and sculptors living and working today in landscape, figurative, impressionistic, still life, wildlife, and Western art. A few steps down is the **Cowboy Bronze** showcasing bronzes, pottery, and original paintings from Texas artists. Follow with the **Artisans-A Texas Gallery** featuring unique pieces from local artisans and craftsmen. Wrap up with a stop at the **Koch Gallery** which specializes in Native American art including paintings, rugs, pottery and jewelry.

If you visit Fredericksburg on the first Friday of the month, experience <u>Fredericksburg's First Friday</u> <u>Artwalk</u>. It's a day of art and culture with self-led tours. Participating galleries stay open until 8:00 pm. You can meet the artists, explore the art exhibits, listen to live music, and sample wines from local wineries like Becker Vineyards, Grape Creek Vineyards, Torre De Pietra and Pedernales Cellars.

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Experience a taste of German cuisine at the **Ausländer Biergarten**. Feast on the Jagerschnitzel, a

hand- breaded pork loin cutlet smothered in a red wine mushroom gravy. Pair it with hot German home fries, sauerkraut, and a German beer.

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Before returning to Rose Hill Manor, detour over to <u>Luckenbach</u>, <u>Texas</u> and listen to live acoustic music.

9:00 pm - 10:00 pm

End your night relaxing at Rose Hill Manor in your luxurious accommodations.

DAY 2

6:00 am - 9:30 am

Catch the sun rise from your deck while sipping on a cup of fresh coffee. Then make your way to the main house at 8 am for a 3-course chef-prepared hot breakfast.

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Discover "take-your-breath-away" natural beauty on the scenic <u>Willow City Loop</u>! It's a 13-mile Texas Hill Country narrow two-lane ranch road winding through deep canyons with views of picturesque ranches, rolling pastures, and grazing cattle. In the spring, Willow City Loop transforms into a wild-flower wonderland accented with Bluebonnets, Indian Paintbrush, Phlox, Coreopsis, Mexican Poppies, Sunflowers, and Firewheels. During peak season, try to visit the loop during the week.

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

When you get hungry, head to <u>Cooper's BBQ</u> in Llano for a Texas barbecue feast. Don't let the line scare you because you won't want to miss Texas' best melt-in-your-mouth brisket, smoked chicken, sausage, and beef ribs. Pair your tray of meat with a side of pinto beans, potato salad, and a glass of sweet tea. Don't forget to save room for peach cobbler too!

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

After lunch, continue your journey south on Texas Highway 16 to **Enchanted Rock State Park** on Ranch Road 965. Take a break from driving and enjoy a scenic hike on one of the eight trails in the park. The Enchanted Rock Summit Trail offers 360° views of the park and the Texas Hill Country from the 1823 ft. summit of Enchanted Rock.

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Spend the afternoon at leisure visiting a few Texas Hill Country wineries. On the weekends, serveral wineries host local musicians to entertain guests with live music.

Becker Vineyard - The winery, located in a 19th century German stone barn reproduction, is surrounded by lavender fields. Becker Vineyard's hand-crafted, Bordeaux, Burgundian and Rhonestyled award winning wines are featured in Wine Spectator, Food & Wine, the Fine Living Channel and served in The White House.

Grape Creek Vineyards - Experience the feel of "Tuscany in Texas on Grape Creek Vineyards' beautiful 100-acre estate and romantic Tuscan Villa tasting rooms nestled among the oaks and vines. Sit back with a glass of wine, picnic fare from Grape Creek Vineyards' Italian market, and listen to live performances from Lonnie Lett, Jeff Wood and more!

<u>Pedernales Cellars</u> - Tour the underground winemaking cellar, experience a wine tasting, and then relax with a glass of wine on the tree covered deck with breathtaking views of the Texas Hill Country. Pedernales Cellars is a family-owned boutique winery specializing in fine, hand-crafted Texas wines including award-winning Tempranillos and Voigniers.

Torre Di Pietra Vineyards - Shop for unique gifts, relax and listen to live Texas music on the piazza and patios. Enjoy delicious offerings from the Torre di Pietra picnic market which includes a wonderful selection of cheeses, including CKC Farm Fresh Goat Cheese, crackers, Torre Di Pietra wine infused chocolates and other delectables to accompany your wine.

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Return to Rose Hill Manor to relax before dinner.

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Treat yourself to dinner and a concert at <u>The Hilltop Cafe</u>. It's a place where food and music-lovers meet. Price includes ticket for the show and a 4 course meal. Reservations are required in advanced.

9:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Return to your luxurious accommodations for a relaxing evening.

DAY 3

8:00 am - 9:30 am

Begin your day with a chef prepared 3-course hot breakfast in the main dining room. After breakfast, enjoy a stroll around Rose Hill Manor to embrace the scenery of Rose Hill Manor.

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Explore the emerging art scene in and around Johnson City. Johnson City offers several unique galleries featuring handmade crafts, paintings, photography, and scuptures from local artists.

Visit <u>Texcetera</u> for local crafts, pottery, and jewelry. At <u>Echo</u>, find vintage furniture, wearable art, and paintings. <u>Urban Ranch</u> and <u>Rustik by Choice</u> offer an array of antiques and handcrafted furniture for one-of-a-kind treasures. For photography, visit the <u>A. Smith Gallery</u> that exhibits the work of both amateur and professional photographers.

If you are visiting Stonewall in mid-May to mid-June, be sure to stop by the pop-up peach stands along highway 290 and taste Stonewall's famous peaches! Three to four miles north of Hwy. 290, orchards are visible for more than a mile!

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Break for lunch at the **East Main Grill** in The Old Lumber Yard complex in Johnson City.

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Continue your afternoon in Johnson City to tour LBJ's boyhood home, ranch district, farm, and Texas Whitehouse.

LBJ National Historical Park: Johnson City District

Located in Johnson City, this National Historical Park offers a Visitor Center with exhibits and films on LBJ and Lady Bird, the Boyhood Home, an education building, and the historic Johnson Settlement.

LBJ National Historical Park: Ranch District in Stonewall

The National Park Service operates the LBJ Ranch and offers public access to the ranch, Texas Whitehouse, LBJ's birthplace, Johnson family cemetery, old Junction School, LBJ's grandparents' home and ranch showbarn. As of May 2014, the park is home to part of the Official Texas State Longhorn Herd.

LBJ National Historical Park: Sauer-Beckmann Living History Farm

Tours of the complex, including the Sauer-Beckmann farm with its smokehouse, Victorian style house, garden, and log house lasts approximately an hour.

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Visit <u>The Sculpture Ranch</u> on 290 just outside of Johnson City. A life-sized silver bull, sculpted by local artist Bettye Hamblen-Turner, marks the turn to Flat Creek Road. Drive 5.3-miles through the rolling hills and grazing cattle to The Sculpture Ranch. The ranch is open Thursday through Sunday from 12-6 pm, and by appointment only during the week. Explore the 14,000-square-foot indoor gallery and walk, bike or drive their 2 miles of trails to view over 100 monumental outdoor sculptures. The sculptures are available for purchase so you can enjoy one on your own property too!

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Before returning to Rose Hill Manor, enjoy dinner at **The Nest** in Fredericksburg.

8:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Return to your luxurious accommodations for a relaxing evening.

DAY 4

8:00 am - 9:30 am

Enjoy your chef prepared 3-course hot breakfast in the main dining room.

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Spend the day at the National Museum of the Pacific War complex in Fredericksburg.

National Museum of the Pacific War- is a complex dedicated to all those who served in the Pacific War. The Admiral Nimitz Museum, George Bush Gallery of the Pacific War, the Plaza of the Presidents, Japanese Garden of Peace, Memorial Walk, and the Pacific Combat Zone are all part of the complex. See displays of some of the most notable aspects and events of WWII in the Pacific. The recent multi-million dollar expansion is so thorough, tickets are good for two days to give visitors time to really explore, peruse the interactive exhibits and take in the galleries.

For lunch, experience a taste of German cuisine at the <u>Ausländer Biergarten</u> or <u>Otto's Restaurant</u> to feast on Jagerschnitzel served with hot German potato salad, sauerkraut, and a German beer.

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

For dinner, enjoy some hearty Tex-Mex at <u>Mamasita's</u> in Fredericksburg.

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

After dinner, enjoy the sunset and starry skies from your deck at Rose Hill Manor.

DAY 5

8:00 am -11:00 am

Savor your chef prepared 3-course hot breakfast in Rose Hill Manor's dining room.

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Begin your scenic drive along Highway 290 to Ranch Road 1376 to Luckenbach. Stop in Luckenbach and visit the store which was a post office from 1850 to 1971. Continue south on Ranch Road 1376 to Sisterdale.

In Sisterdale, you can go kayaking or tubing along the Guadalupe River. The Sisterdale General Store provides kayak and tube rentals and pick up & drop off service on one of the most beautiful stretches of the Guadalupe River. They also offer guided kayak fishing trips too. Or you can stop by Sisters Creek Vineyards to enjoy a glass of Sister Creek's Muscat Canelli Reserve, a sweet and slightly carbonated wine with a crisp, citrus flavor. Sister Creek Vineyards is located across from the

Sisterdale General Store.

From Sisterdale, continue on 1376 (Sisterdale Road) to US-87 N to Boerne.

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Enjoy lunch at the **<u>Dodging Duck Brewhaus</u>** across from River Road Park. They offer an eclectic menu of international and local cuisines to pair with their craft brewed beers.

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Spend the afternoon strolling down Boerne's Haupstrausse (Main Street in German) through the charming historic district. Visit fine art galleries such as <u>Carriage House Gallery</u> and <u>Texas</u> <u>Treasures Fine Art Gallery</u>. Search for the perfect vintage collectable at <u>Johns Road Antique</u> <u>Mall</u>. Shop at the quaint boutiques in historic buildings filled with clothing, jewelry, gifts, specialty foods, and home accessories. Stop over at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church on Hauptstausse and admire the Hill Country limestone exterior with fossilized seashells.

Boerne is known for outdoor adventure in some of the most picturesque areas of Texas. Explore the two underground natural living caves <u>Cascade Caverns</u> and <u>Cave Without a Name</u>. Or, enjoy outdoor activities at <u>Kreutzberg Canyon Natural Area</u>, <u>Cibolo Nature Center</u>, <u>Joshua Springs Park and Preserve</u>, <u>James Kiehl River Bend Park</u>, <u>Boerne City Lake</u> and <u>Guadalupe River State Park</u> which are perfect for hiking, birdwatching, swimming and more.

Experience a taste of Texas wines at <u>Singing Waters Vineyards</u>, <u>Newsom Vineyards</u>, and <u>Bending Branch Winery</u> located in the Boerne and Comfort area.

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Take the scenic route on Sisterdale Road and Ranch 1376 to Luckenbach Road to 290 back to Stonewall.

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Head to Fredericksburg for dinner at the **Cabernet Grill**.

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

End your night relaxing at Rose Hill Manor in your luxurious accommodations

DAY 6

8:00 am - 9:30 am

Savor your chef prepared 3-course hot breakfast in Rose Hill Manor's dining room or in your room.

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Purchase Hummingbird Farms Lavender bath and body products or Comphy linens at Rose Hill Manor to create the luxury bed & breakfast feeling at home. Return home rested with treasured memories of your Rose Hill Manor retreat.

12:00 pm - 12:30 pm

Stop by <u>Chocolates El Rey's Tasting Room</u> in Stonewall to pick up chocolates for your drive home. Chocolate lovers can sample Chocolates El Rey's award-winning gourmet chocolates and confections made by their artisan chocolatier partners. Chocolates El Rey is located on 46 S Ranch Road 1623, Stonewall TX 78671 at the corner of HWY 290 and RR 1623.

Additional Notes: