



## DAY 7

### TROLLEY & TEXAS SIZED ADVENTURE IN SAN ANTONIO & THEN IT'S OFF TO HOUSTON

Explore San Antonio aboard the friendliest San Antonio trolley tour in town - **The Alamo Trolley**. The narrated tour will take you to the heart of old San Antonio to discover their most treasured cultural attractions; **The Alamo, Tower of the Americas, River Walk, Market Square, the Mission Trail** and more.

Lunch. Experience a Texas Sized Adventure—just two blocks from The Alamo. Established in 1881, **The Buckhorn Saloon & Texas Ranger Museum** features one-of-a-kind animal exhibits, a historic saloon, Café, Gift Shop and The Texas Ranger Museum. Explore the newly remodeled animal halls and prepare yourself for an immersive Texas Experience. Practice your

sharp shooting skills in our Toepperwein Shooting Gallery and explore hundreds of rare and unique animal species from around the world.

Travel to Houston for dinner and entertainment.



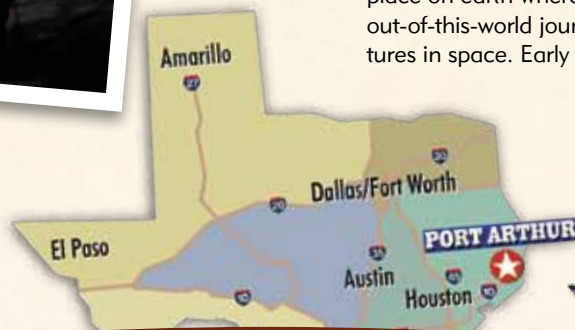
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### FINAL DESTINATION: SPACE CENTER HOUSTON

Space Center Houston, the official visitors center for **NASA's Johnson Space Center**, is the only place on earth where guests can embark on an out-of-this-world journey through human adventures in space. Early afternoon flight home.

#### FROM PORT ARTHUR TO:

Lake Charles Casinos - 45 min.  
Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge - 1 hr.  
Galveston - 1.5 hrs.  
Dallas - 300 miles  
Austin - 240 miles  
Houston - 98 miles  
San Antonio - 300 miles



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## TEXAS GULF COAST GETAWAY

HOUSTON  
PORT ARTHUR  
CORPUS CHRISTI  
GALVESTON  
SAN ANTONIO



## DAY 1

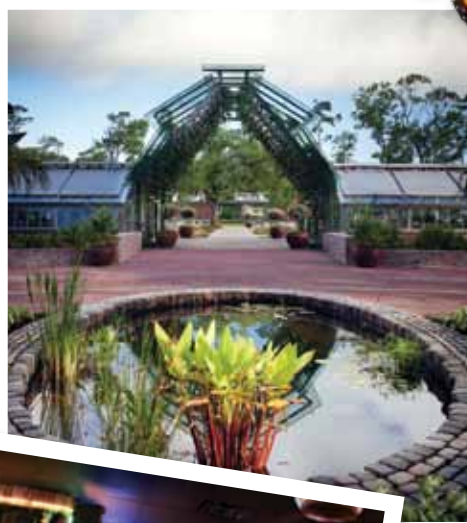
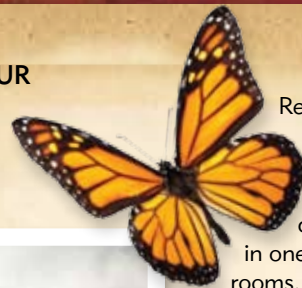
ARRIVE BY AIR TO HOUSTON AND COACH INTO PORT ARTHUR FOR A CAJUN DINNER AT BEAU RÊVE.

Shh... Save the Date: After you check into your hotel, it goes down something like this: The bus driver picks up a fiddler on the side of the road who steps on to provide some tunes. During the dinner, Elli Gateaux and Alli Gator emerge from the swamp, in search of their hitching site. The fiddler turns preacher and unites the gators. Guests get a Cajun two-step lesson and join in the post-matrimony fais -do-do (that means party). The gala is typically at **Beau Rêve**, a restaurant in a vintage home set on the water and known for fine dining.





## DAY 2 PORT ARTHUR AND STARK CULTURAL VENUES



Rekindle your sense of wonder at **Shangri La Botanical Gardens & Nature Center**. On your two hour walking tour, observe nesting birds in **Shangri La's Ruby Lake** through a state-of-the-art bird blind. Pause to reflect in one of the 9 garden rooms or 4 sculpture rooms. Explore more than 300 species of plants in one of the most Earth-friendly projects in the world. Relax with a refreshing lunch at the **Star & Moon Café** then take a peak in the gift shop.

The **Outpost Tour** is a short walk to their **Nature Discovery Center** where visitors board a pontoon boat and take a short guided ride on Adams Bayou to one of the outposts in the **Cypress/ Tupelo Swamp**.

Next, head to the **Museum of the Gulf Coast**. The museum boasts the largest mural in the Southwest (125 feet) highlighting the region's evolution; a replica of Janis Joplin's psychedelic Porsche; the Sabine Banks lighthouse's original Fresnel lens; and music and sports halls honoring The Big Bopper of "Chantilly Lace" fame, Johnny and Edgar Winter, Olympian Babe Didrickson Zaharias, Coach Jimmy Johnson and others who called the area home.

Tonight, let your group relax with dinner at **Larry's French Market** where live Zydeco music and fresh Cajun dishes abound.



## DAY 3 GALVESTON ISLAND SHOPPING, RAINFOREST & PADDLEWHEEL DINNER CRUISE

Board the ferry for Galveston Island and make your way to the beach! Enjoy sparkling gulf views with the sand between your toes along Galveston Island's 32 miles of beaches. Recently named one of the "10 Best Beaches for Families" by Family Vacation Critic, **Stewart Beach** is Galveston's premier family beach park. Enjoy concessions, restrooms, showers, chair and umbrella rentals and more. If you would rather swap sand for shopping, stroll around the Historic Downtown Strand Seaport District for a little 'free' time. Downtown Galveston offers incredible Victorian architecture plus over 100 boutique shops, restaurants, and world-class attractions.

Add adventure to your day by exploring the **The Rainforest Pyramid at Moody Gardens**. This one-of-a-kind attraction features exciting exhibits of endangered species, plants and free roaming animals (monkeys, sloths, and more!)

Dinner tonight aboard the Colonel Paddlewheel as you take a leisurely cruise on Galveston Bay. Spend one ocean front night in Galveston Island before heading to your next destination.



## DAY 5 TOUR CORPUS CHRISTI

Start your morning with a guided tour of the beautiful Corpus Christi including the **USS Lexington Museum** on the Bay. During WWI, this aircraft carrier was reportedly sunk 4 times and is nicknamed "The Blue Ghost" by the Japanese. Enjoy a free afternoon.



## DAY 4 TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI

USA Today names **Texas State Aquarium** in the Top 10 aquariums in the US. Get carried away into the deep blue water. Located on North Beach, this stunning complex is home to fascinating sea creatures of all kinds. Dinner & entertainment tonight at **Brewster Street Icehouse**. Overnight in Corpus Christi.

## DAY 6 TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO REMEMBER THE ALAMO! PLUS DINNER CRUISE

Check into your hotel then head over to tour the shrine of Texas liberty... **The Alamo**! On tonight's menu: Dinner cruise on the **San Antonio River Walk**.

