

## Pre-FAM #2 - Up to 20 Individuals

Visit East Texas: Piney Woods' Blooms & Booms (Cost: \$50 per individual)

Travel to the piney woods of East Texas, and you'll find yourself in a place unlike any other in the Lone Star State. Rolling hills, pine forests, and magnificent lakes can be found within the Texas Piney Woods region, where the warmth of Southern hospitality is alive and well. Stop and smell the roses at the largest rose garden in the nation, located in Tyler. Known as the Rose Capital of America, Tyler is one of the most beautiful stops on this East Texas tour. Cruise the brick streets of the Historic Azalea District that will be all lit up for the holidays. Then it's "all aboard" to Palestine. Visit the train depot, historical sites, and more. Henderson, voted as one of the "prettiest little towns in Texas," is another great stop on this East Texas road trip. And don't forget East Texas' boomtown, Kilgore, known as the "City of Stars," a nickname given to it because of the 80+ oil derricks that dot the Kilgore skyline, all topped with lighted stars. East Texas is a hidden gem and a great place for your next group tour. Join us on this tour to see for yourselves what everyone is raving about!

This is just a taste of the many wonderful things to do in the Texas Piney Woods.

FAM Begins: Tuesday, December 3, 8:00 a.m. at DFW Airport (Terminal TBD)

**NOTE:** Operators will be responsible for their accommodations on Monday, December 2.

NOTE: Working with Visit Fort Worth to provide recommendations on a few local hotels who can provide a discounted rate for Monday, December 2.)

Ends: Friday, December 6 at the Fort Worth Conference Hotels at approximately 9:00 p.m.

NOTE: The itinerary is subject to change as needed.

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