

# Fredericksburg®

## THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

### What's New for 2021?

#### Texas = A Major Wine Destination in the United States

Fredericksburg is Texas Wine Country. With more than 50 wineries and tasting rooms within a 30-minute drive and more than 100 within two hours, visitors can taste their way through the best of Texas wine. While social distancing, wineries expansive properties provide ample space to spread out and enjoy scenic vistas while sampling a bottle of Texas vino. Get information on the wineries, wine tours and culinary events in Texas Wine Country at [visitfredericksburgtx.com/wineries](http://visitfredericksburgtx.com/wineries).

#### Unique Lodging: Vacation Rentals, Guesthouses and B&Bs

- Fredericksburg and Gillespie County are home to nearly 1,500 vacation rentals, guesthouses, bed and breakfasts and inns.
- For visitors looking to have a home away from home, some of these properties offer all the comforts of home with full kitchens, work stations, multiple bedrooms and great outdoor areas.
- The new trend in guesthouses in Fredericksburg is to develop "retreats" with multiple units. Great for small groups of people or families traveling together who want the experience of accommodations with a local flair, but want to be housed close to others in their traveling party.
- A searchable list of all of the places to stay in Fredericksburg is available at [visitfredericksburgtx.com/hotels-lodging](http://visitfredericksburgtx.com/hotels-lodging).

#### 175th Anniversary Celebration Honors Rich History

Fredericksburg is gearing up to commemorate its 175th Anniversary with a year-long celebration that starts on May 8, 2021 and runs through May 2022. Fireworks, events, a parade, art shows and more are planned to recognize "Lasting Fredericksburg."

#### Culinary Adventures at Every Corner in Town

While German food may be what Fredericksburg is known for, cuisines from all over the world have found a home in Fredericksburg. Whether it's fine dining at August E's, a hamburger at Hondo's or Texas Hill Country fare at Cabernet Grill, experience a culinary adventure in the heart of Texas. For beer lovers, the Fredericksburg Brewing Company is located downtown and is the "oldest and most acclaimed brewpub in Texas." Many restaurants offer patio dining from which to enjoy the area's fine weather.

#### Enchanted Rock State Natural Area

With sweeping vistas of the entire region, Enchanted Rock State Natural Area is a popular destination for outdoor enthusiasts. Enchanted Rock has been designated an International Dark Sky Park. View the Milky Way during a Star Party or stargazing event. Reserve a day pass up to 30 days in advance of arrival to guarantee entry.

#### Fredericksburg's Main Street Named "America's Most Beautiful"

Find shopping, live music, restaurants, lodging, art galleries and an urban wine trail all along Fredericksburg's historic Main Street. From 150 locally-owned shops and boutiques to more than 25 venues for live music, from a variety of cuisine and accommodations to the best in Texas art and wine - find it all on Main Street in Fredericksburg.





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### Fredericksburg Home to National Historic Sites

Recently, Fredericksburg was ranked among the nation's best places to learn about history and with sites like the National Museum of the Pacific War, Pioneer Museum, Fort Martin Scott, Texas Ranger Heritage Center, the Gillespie County Country Schools and LBJ State and National Historical Parks, the possibilities are endless. The National Museum of the Pacific War has adapted to allow admission by reservation only, while the Pioneer Museum offers walking tours of the town's historic area.

### Luckenbach Texas

Luckenbach Texas continues to offer live Texas music 364 days a year. The historic town is located about eight miles southeast of Fredericksburg. "Everybody's Somebody in Luckenbach!" Check the website at [luckenbachtexas.com](http://luckenbachtexas.com) for performers and event schedule.

## Looking Ahead

### Spring 2021: Wildflowers & Wildseed Farms

Spring turns Fredericksburg and the Texas Hill Country into a wildflower paradise. Bluebonnets, Indian Paintbrushes and a multitude of other varieties of wildflowers make Fredericksburg very popular for sightseers, cyclists and motorcyclists. Bloom will be later than normal in 2021 with roadsides slated to burst with color in late March. Even if you miss the peak season, enjoy the view at Wildseed Farms, the nation's largest working wildseed farm, which is located just seven miles east of Fredericksburg and will have poppies blooming starting in early April 2021.

### Summer 2021: Texas Hill Country Peaches

Before grapes, peaches were the dominant crop in the region and many peach orchards in Gillespie County remain today. In a season which typically runs from mid-May through mid-August, you can find some of the sweetest peaches in the country at roadside markets and the 2021 season forecast calls for a solid crop.

### Fall 2021: Texas Wine Country Grape Harvests

To produce the award-winning wine of Texas Wine Country, vineyards harvest grapes from late July to early September typically. Local wineries offer picking parties, grape stomps and lots of other great events surrounding the harvest.

### 2021 Holiday Season: Small-Town Charm

Fredericksburg during the Christmas season has often been compared to a holiday Hallmark movie and with good reason. Whether it's ice skating, watching the daily lighting countdown, marveling at decorations, shopping along a Main Street decked out in its holiday finest, enjoying the wine trail and local cuisine, or experiencing one of the many special events, Fredericksburg is the perfect holiday getaway.

### Coming Soon: New Restaurants & Hotels

Two exciting new projects that are coming to Fredericksburg are Hill & Vine, a restaurant just off Main Street that promises to offer, "Nothing but the best of Texas" and will open in the spring of 2021. On Main Street, Albert's Hotel, a boutique 107-room property with multiple dining options, is slated to open in 2021 as well.



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