

# NEW BRAUNFELS TEXAS



## ATTRACTIONS — GUIDE —

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# WELCOME, WILLKOMMEN, HOWDY!

Deep in the heart of the Texas Hill Country is where you'll find New Braunfels. Founded in 1845 by German settlers, our town is overflowing with old-world heritage. Whether you're greeted with "Willkommen" or "Howdy," you're always "Welcome" in New Braunfels.





# FUN, FUN, AND MORE FUN!

With German names on the street signs, summer biergartens, and the annual Wurstfest, New Braunfels blends the character of its German namesake with the charm and beauty of the Texas Hill Country. Old World heritage is abundant in the Gruene Historic District, featuring the ruins of the original Gristmill and live music at Gruene Hall.

Meanwhile, Downtown New Braunfels offers an upbeat retail and entertainment environment for visitors and residents alike.

Delve into nearby Natural Bridge Caverns, the largest caverns in Texas, or Natural Bridge Wildlife Ranch for adventure above ground... and below it!



**NATURAL BRIDGE CAVERNS** Visitors to the state's biggest and best show cave can expect an otherworldly experience in the series of limestone formations. In addition to walking tours, the Adventure Cave Tour offers a more daring exploration of undeveloped portions of the caverns. The Mining Sluice offers kids a chance to pan for semi-precious stones they get to keep. Take to the skies high above Texas as you ascend the Twisted Trails Zip Rail and Ropes Course!

## NATURAL BRIDGE WILDLIFE RANCH

A Texas-style African safari experience with more than 40 different species from antelope to zebras. In addition to the main safari route, which lets you see exotic animals up close from your car windows, the ranch also offers guided safari tours and a kid-friendly petting zoo.



**GRUENE** This restored historic district plays host to a number of artists, artisans, potters, boutiques, and restaurants. Gruene Hall, Texas' Oldest Dance Hall, features singer/songwriters like Willie Nelson, Robert Earl Keen, and Pat Green, as well as a mix of national touring acts and local and regional up-and-comers.



**LIVE MUSIC** Enjoy live music every day of the week in New Braunfels. Dance Halls and honky-tonks like Gruene Hall, Freiheit Country Store, and Watering Hole Saloon, join Whitewater Amphitheater, a "Texas-sized" outdoor concert venue on the banks of the Guadalupe, in featuring traditional country, Texas music, Americana, and national performers. KNBT Radio, the top Americana station in the nation, airs Texas music throughout the region and on the Internet.



**DOWNTOWN NEW BRAUNFELS** Walk through downtown New Braunfels and you'll see more than 150 years of German influence. Murals throughout the city illustrate the colorful history.

**MUSEUMS** History buffs have several intriguing museums to visit. New Braunfels Conservation Society has restored and furnished 18 buildings (ca. 1849 – 1870) to form Conservation Plaza. The Museum of Texas Handmade Furniture showcases the work of the early German craftsmen and artisans. Sophienburg Museum and Archives also preserve the history of Texas' German settlers. New Braunfels Railroad Museum has artifacts and photographs from the golden age of railroading on display. McKenna Children's Museum will delight the wee ones with hands-on adventure.

**SHOPPING** Diverse and eclectic shops are found in Historic Downtown New Braunfels, the Gruene Historic District and the huge outlet malls along Interstate 35. We offer antique shops, boutiques showcasing Texas artisans, and other unique establishments. Top off the evening wining and dining in New Braunfels' best restaurants.







# QUENCH YOUR THIRST FOR FUN!

Dive into New Braunfels. New Braunfels is home to Schlitterbahn, a world-class water park, while two clear, clean rivers – the Comal and the Guadalupe – wind through town. Canyon Lake is just minutes away.

Slip on your bathing suit and go fishing, rafting, kayaking, skiing, tubing, or swimming. Check out Texas Ski Ranch, where you can practice wakeboarding without a boat!

Tour lovely Landa Park on a miniature train and view the Comal Springs – the largest springs in Texas. Enjoy the cool, wonderful, spring-fed pool at the park's Aquatic Complex.

## ATTRACTIONS & THINGS TO DO

Most visitors come to New Braunfels packing a swimsuit, a rod and reel, or a snorkel and fins.

But New Braunfels isn't just a water paradise. Once on shore, you'll find a whole range of family-friendly activities and attractions in town. Throughout the year, visitors can tee off at the area's premier golf courses or jump into unique adventures, the best in Texas music, and traditional German heritage.



# CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS WATER RECREATION RULES:

- No glass or foam containers.
- No volume drinking devices & no containers under 5 fluid ounces.
- Noise devices may not be audible beyond 50 feet.
- No jumping from bridges, dams, or trees.
- No littering.
- Maximum cooler size is 30 quarts.
- One cooler per person.
- Coolers must have a locking mechanism on the lid (zipper, velcro, latch, cord).
- Vessels on the river may not be over 18 feet in length.

## ON THE COMAL RIVER:

- Limit of two tubes per person on the Comal River.
- Canoes and kayaks may not use the Last Tubers Exit on the Comal River on weekends and holidays.
- Inflatable flotation devices shall not exceed 5 feet in length or width.

## ON THE GUADALUPE RIVER:

- When the river flow on the Guadalupe River is above 500cfs, all children under eight years of age must wear life jackets.
- When the river flow on the Guadalupe River is above 750cfs, all individuals must wear life jackets.
- When the river flow on the Guadalupe River is above 1000cfs, tubing is not allowed. The only allowed recreation are raft trips and kayaks.



## Disposable food & beverage container ban is in effect on rivers.

Examples of allowed/not allowed containers are below.

# NO



DISPOSABLE  
BAGS



DISPOSABLE  
CUPS



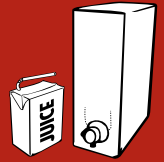
DISPOSABLE  
BOTTLES



DISPOSABLE  
SNACK  
CONTAINERS



DISPOSABLE  
CANS



DISPOSABLE  
BEVERAGE  
BOXES

## No loud music

(Music that can be heard from over 50 feet)

# YES



REUSABLE  
FOOD  
CONTAINERS



REUSABLE  
CUPS



REUSABLE  
INSULATED  
BOTTLES



REUSABLE  
SPORTS  
BOTTLES



REUSABLE  
HYDRATION  
PAKS



REUSABLE  
JUGS



One cooler  
per person  
(30 quarts or less)



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**SCHLITTERBAHN** Travel Channel calls Schlitterbahn America’s number one waterpark for a good reason. The park’s high-tech attractions and natural Comal River setting have made it the most popular summertime waterpark in the country. Schlitterbahn, which loosely translates from German as “slippery road,” features more than 51 attractions.

**GUADALUPE RIVER** Best known for attracting generations of “tubers” for a refreshing float to beat the summer heat, the Guadalupe also lures canoe and kayak enthusiasts to peaceful paddling and exciting whitewater rapids. Nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts flock to camps and resorts along the tree-lined banks of the river.

**COMAL RIVER** The Comal enjoys a unique claim to fame: it is the shortest river in the United States. The 2.5-mile-long Comal starts at the largest natural springs in Texas and its broad, slow flow makes it ideal for a quiet tubing experience. The clear spring waters are perfect for snorkeling and diving.

**CANYON LAKE** Spectacular views of the Texas Hill Country and 80 miles of coastline make this a great destination for campers, vacationers, and day trippers. Water activities range from quiet and reflective sailing and fishing to exciting water skiing and parasailing.

**TEXAS SKI RANCH** This extreme water recreation complex features water skiing and wakeboarding without a boat, plus paintball and axe throwing facilities.



**TROUT FISHING** New Braunfels is one of the very few trout hot spots in the southern United States. The cold water of the Guadalupe makes it an ideal home for the trout, which are stocked in the river several times a year. This attracts fly fishing enthusiasts from across the nation.

**LANDA PARK** Landa Park offers picnic facilities under the shade of giant, ancient oak trees. Walk or jog on the park’s unique trails, or ride a miniature train that chugs around the 51-acre park. An excursion on a paddle boat is one of the best ways to see the Comal Springs and Landa Lake. Take in a round of miniature golf, relax at the playground, or enjoy the flora and fauna on the Panther Canyon Nature Trail.

**STARS & STRIPES DRIVE-IN THEATRE** Catch a show or two under the stars! Enjoy a nostalgic experience while watching new movies and your retro favorites from the comfort of your vehicle or lawn chair. Stars & Stripes boasts three of the biggest movie screens in Texas and the latest projection and audio technology. Restless kids? Just send them over to the on-site playground. Check out double features on Friday & Saturday nights, you’ll want to be sure to visit the 50’s Cafe for some Rockin’ Eats and Tasty Treats!



# NEW BRAUNFELS POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1 Animal World & Snake Farm Zoo
- 2 Brauntex Performing Arts Theatre
- 3 Buc-ee's
- 4 Buckhorn Barbershop Museum
- 5 Canyon Lake
- 6 Canyon Lake Gorge
- 7 Circle Arts Theatre
- 8 Comal County Fairgrounds
- 9 Comal River
- 10 Conservation Plaza
- 11 Downtown Historic District
- 12 Ferdinand Lindheimer House
- 13 Fiesta Lanes
- 14 Freiheit Country Store
- 15 Gruene Historic District
- 16 Guadalupe River
- 17 Heritage Museum of the Texas Hill Country
- 18 Landa Park
- 19 The Marketplace
- 20 McKenna Children's Museum
- 21 Museum of Texas Handmade Furniture and Heritage Society
- 22 Natural Bridge Caverns
- 23 Natural Bridge Wildlife Ranch
- 24 New Braunfels Art League Gallery
- 25 New Braunfels Railroad Museum
- 26 New Braunfels Town Center at Creekside
- 27 Prince Solms Park and Tube Chute
- 28 River Road and Guadalupe Scenic Area
- 29 Schlitterbahn
- 30 Sophienburg Museum & Archives
- 31 Stars & Stripes Drive-In Theatre
- 32 Texas Ski Ranch
- 33 Whitewater Amphitheater
- 34 Wurstfest Grounds



Visitor Center



Chamber of  
Commerce and  
Convention Center



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