



EXPLORE THE SAN ANTONIO HISTORIC MISSIONS

WORLD HERITAGE SITE
DRIVE, BIKE, BUS

MISSIONS LOCATIONS

MISSION SAN ANTONIO DE VALERO, THE ALAMO

300 Alamo Plaza

MISSION CONCEPCIÓN

807 Mission Road

MISSION SAN JOSÉ & VISITOR CENTER

6701 San Jose Drive

MISSION SAN JUAN

9101 Graf Road

MISSION ESPADA

10040 Espada Road

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

THE ALAMO

300 Alamo Plaza - San Antonio, Texas 78205

Peak Season (May 26 – Sept. 3): 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Off-Peak Season (Sept. 4 – May 25): 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Last entry 15 minutes before close.

Hours are subject to change for special events.

thealamo.org for up-to-date information.

Closed Christmas Day

SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Mission Concepción & Mission San José: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Daily

Mission San Juan & Mission Espada: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Daily

nps.gov/saan

Closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day & New Year's Day

SPECIAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

There are a broad range of events happening at each of the San Antonio Missions all year. Go to WorldHeritageSA.com



MISSION SAN ANTONIO DE VALERO



MISSION CONCEPCIÓN



MISSION SAN JOSÉ



MISSION ESPADA



MISSION SAN JUAN

San Antonio's Missions symbolize an era when the world was expanding, cultures were intertwining, and the global landscape was forever changed. Today they remain a thriving religious center for many San Antonians and a historic destination for the entire world to enjoy.

HISTORY OF THE MISSIONS

San Antonio's five Spanish colonial missions (Concepción, San José, San Juan, Espada and Valero, also known as The Alamo) are the largest collection of Spanish colonial architecture in the world. In partnership with the Catholic Church the missions were established in the early 1700s by the Spanish crown as it expanded its empire in the Americas. Through mission life the local indigenous people were taught the ideals of Spanish citizenship which included conversion to Catholicism.

Straddling either side of the spring-fed San Antonio River, the five missions are uniquely close to one another, each approximately three miles from the next. They proved critical to Texas' history and heritage, shaping the San Antonio landscape with their acequias, farm fields, ranchlands, and mission communities. Indigenous people and people from around the empire of New Spain were brought together to claim this land. Their blended technology, art and lifeways form the South Texas culture that we have today.

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WHAT YOU CAN EXPERIENCE

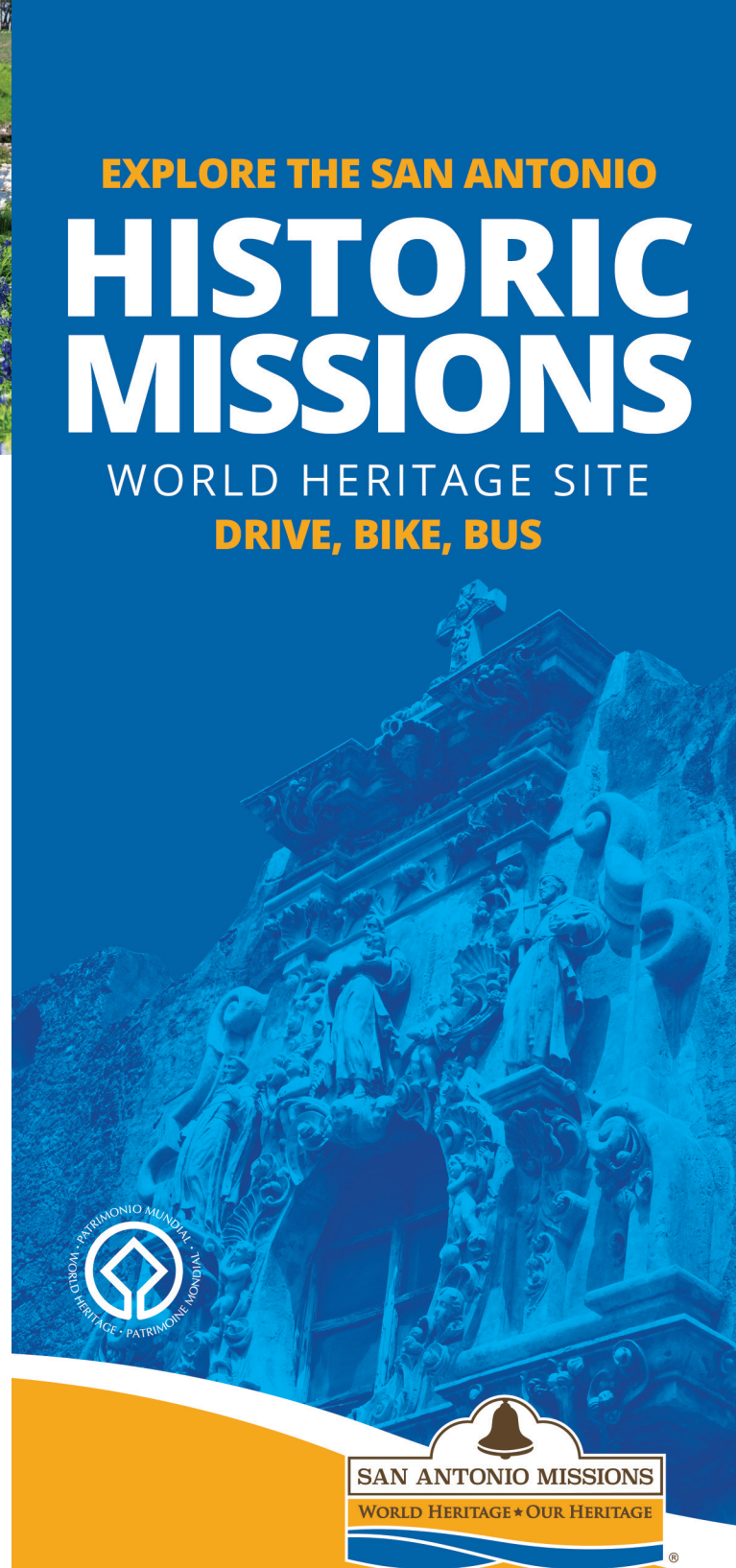
RIVER WALK'S MISSION REACH: The River Walk's Mission Reach connects four of the missions, providing a great opportunity to hike or bike from mission to mission. The river is also open for kayaking. Learn more at sara-tx.org.

TOURS - 300 YEARS IN THE MAKING: All missions are open to the public and free of charge. Self-guided, guided and audio tours allow visitors to walk the historic grounds and explore 18th century architecture.

MUSEUM & AWARD-WINNING FILM: San Antonio Missions National Historical Park's Visitor Center offers a gift shop and a museum with artifacts that explain life within the Spanish missions. An on-site theater shows the award-winning film *Gente de Razón*, which tells the story of the native people of 18th century South Texas, their role in colonizing New Spain and the impact of the Spanish Missions.

EXPERIENCE A STORY BIGGER THAN TEXAS AT THE

ALAMO: In its 300 years, the Alamo has shaped the city of San Antonio, ignited the battle for Texas independence, and influenced American history. Experience the heroes and events that have made the story of the Alamo captivating for generations of Texans and visitors. Entrance to the Church, Long Barrack Museum, Living History Encampment, and special exhibits is free; multiple language audio tours and guided tours are available for purchase. Visit the Gift Shop to support Alamo preservation and education programs.



DRIVE



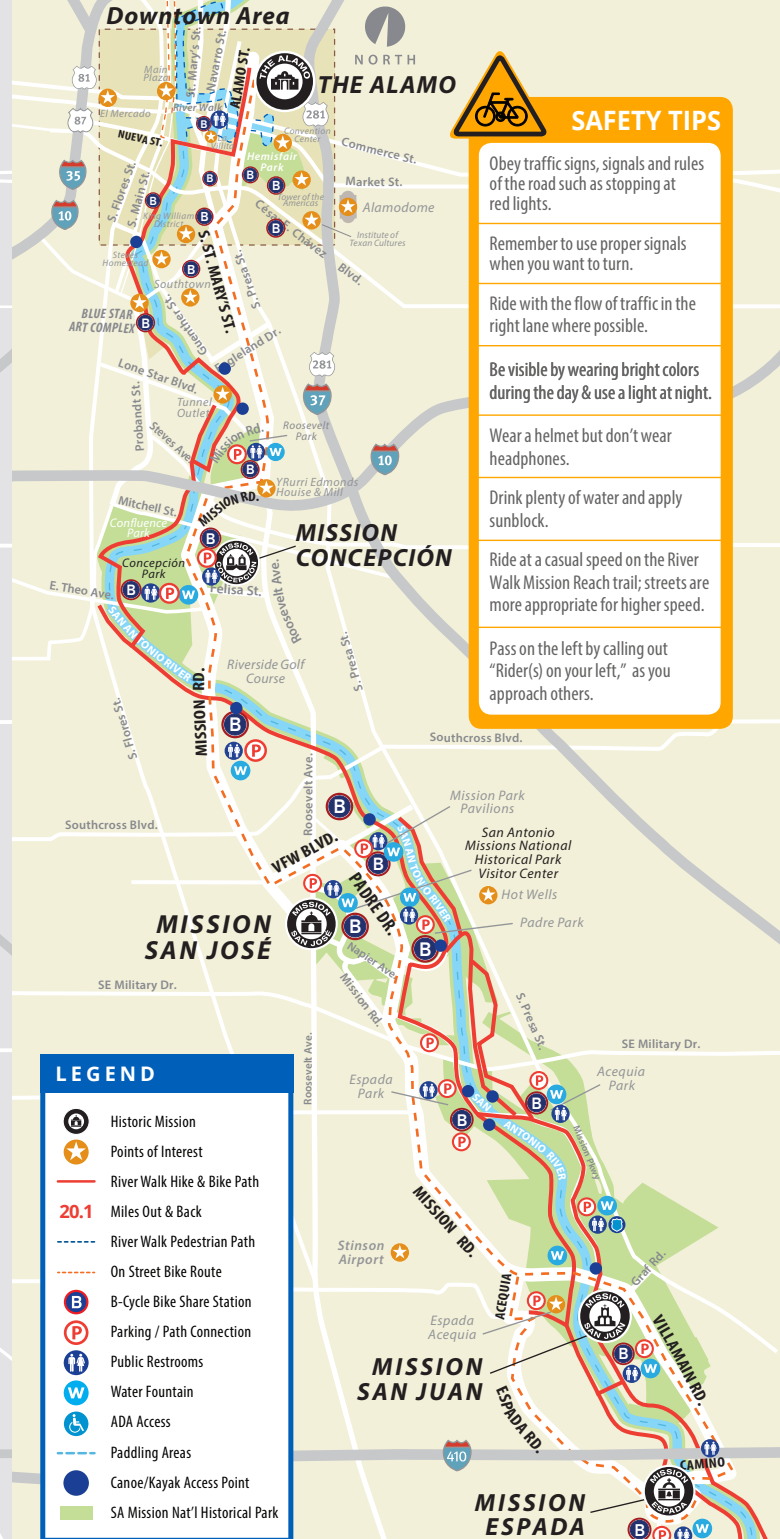
WORLD HERITAGE TRAIL MARKER

The World Heritage Trail can be identified by these hanging street banners along the route.

LEGEND

- Historic Mission
- Points of Interest
- Driving Route
- Parking / Path Connection
- Public Restrooms
- Water Fountain
- ADA Access
- Paddling Areas
- Canoe/Kayak Access Point
- SA Mission Nat'l Historical Park
- Park Security

BIKE & WALK



SAFETY TIPS

- Obey traffic signs, signals and rules of the road such as stopping at red lights.
- Remember to use proper signals when you want to turn.
- Ride with the flow of traffic in the right lane where possible.
- Be visible by wearing bright colors during the day & use a light at night.
- Wear a helmet but don't wear headphones.
- Drink plenty of water and apply sunblock.
- Ride at a casual speed on the River Walk Mission Reach trail; streets are more appropriate for higher speed.
- Pass on the left by calling out "Rider(s) on your left," as you approach others.

LEGEND

- Historic Mission
- Points of Interest
- River Walk Hike & Bike Path
- Miles Out & Back
- River Walk Pedestrian Path
- On Street Bike Route
- B-Cycle Bike Share Station
- Parking / Path Connection
- Public Restrooms
- Water Fountain
- ADA Access
- Paddling Areas
- Canoe/Kayak Access Point
- SA Mission Nat'l Historical Park

BUS



BIKE & RIDE

Bicycle racks are available on all VIA Metropolitan Transit buses. Racks are located at the front of most regular service buses and inside Primo buses. Visit VIAinfo.net for tips on how to bike and ride with VIA.

Call Customer Service at 210-362-2020 for more information.

VIVA missions
HOURS OF OPERATION
8:30a - 5:30p | DAILY

LEGEND

- Historic Mission
- Points of Interest
- VIVA Missions #40 Bus Route
- VIVA Missions #40 Bus Stop
- Parking / Path Connection
- Public Restrooms
- Water Fountain
- ADA Access
- SA Mission Nat'l Historical Park
- Park Security



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VIA Metropolitan Transit's VIVA missions (Route 40) connects you with the San Antonio Missions World Heritage Site, offering daily service to historic destinations. Visit the Alamo and the World Heritage Trail today.

Get unlimited rides with a
VIA DAY PASS \$2.75

Available on the bus
Visit VIAinfo.net/VIVA for more information.



SWell Cycle is San Antonio's municipal bike sharing system that provides alternative transportation downtown and along the Mission Reach.

Information on affordable rates and more at:
swellcycle.bcycle.com