

SAN ANTONIO ATTRACTIONS

THE ALAMO

300 Alamo Plaza San Antonio, TX 78299

(210) 225-1391

Website: <http://www.thealamo.org/>

Hours: *The Alamo is open every day of the year except Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Our hours are 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM Monday through Saturday, and 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM on Sunday.*

An event occurred in San Antonio nearly 170 years ago that is still remembered today. The historic event, as most visitors to the city will already know, was the epic Siege and Battle of the Alamo. Nevertheless, those who look for the remains of the battlefield are often disappointed or mystified by what they find at 300 Alamo Plaza. With a little preparation, however, a visit to the Alamo can be a rewarding and educational experience.

THE BUCKHORN SALOON AND MUSEUM

318 E. Houston Street San Antonio, Texas 78205

(210) 247-4000

Website: <http://www.buckhornmuseum.com/>

Hours: Open Daily 10:00 am

For a taste of the Old West and wildlife exhibits from all over the world, visit San Antonio's classic 1881 saloon and museum. In 1998, the attraction relocated to East Houston Street, a short two blocks from the Alamo and 50 yards from the Riverwalk.

PLAZA WAX MUSEUM & RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT

301 Alamo Plaza San Antonio, Texas 78205

(210) 224-9299

Website: <http://www.plazawaxmuseum.com/>

Hours: Mon-Thu: 9:30 am - 8:00 pm (ticket office closes: 7 pm)

Fri-Sat: 9:00 am - 10:00 pm (ticket office closes: 9 pm)

Sun: 9:00 am - 8:00 pm (ticket office closes: 7 pm)

Located across the street from Alamo Plaza! The Plaza Wax Museum features 250 lifelike wax figures in themed settings of Hollywood, History, Children's Land of Make Believe, Religion and much more!

IMAX THEATRE AT RIVERCENTER MALL

849 East Commerce (inside the Rivercenter Mall) San Antonio, Texas 78205

(210) 247-4629

Website: <http://www.imax-sa.com/>

Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m., daily.

The immense screen and magnetic stereo sound system places the viewer in the middle of the action. Other IMAX features showing, Journey into the world of IMAX 3-D images so real, you actually feel like you are inside the film.

RIO SAN ANTONIO RIVERBOAT CRUISES

454 Soledad, River Ste. 2 San Antonio, TX 78205

Website: <http://www.thesanantonioriverwalk.com>

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. daily.

The Paseo del Rio, in the heart of downtown, is the pride of the city. Lush green foliage lines the banks of this peaceful, historic river. Cobblestone walkways lead visitors to the river-level restaurants and shops. The river bubbles to the surface on the grounds of the University of the Incarnate Word and flows to downtown and beyond, threading its way through the city one level below the hustle and bustle of city streets.

First called Yanaguana by the Payaya Indians, meaning "place of refreshing waters." Along the horseshoe shaped river bend, the river is shaded by towering cypresses, oaks and willows and bordered by gardens of flowering ornamental plants. River cruisers travel the River Walk's three miles past unique retail shops, restaurants and nightclubs.

THE MISSIONS

2202 Roosevelt Ave. San Antonio, TX 78210

Website: www.nps.gov/saan

More than just churches on the Spanish Colonial frontier, the missions also served as vocational and educational centers, economic enterprises involved in agricultural and ranching endeavors and regional trade. They were the greatest concentration of Catholic missions in North America and formed the foundation for what is today the thriving city of San Antonio.

The park contains the historically and architecturally significant structures of missions Concepción, San José, San Juan and Espada. Other important cultural resources included are the historic Espada Dam and Aqueduct, acequia (irrigation) systems and the Rancho de las Cabras.

TOWER OF THE AMERICAS

600 HemisFair Park San Antonio, TX 78205

(210) 223-3101

Hours: Observation Deck, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Sunday - Thursday; 9:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m., Friday -Saturday.

The Tower, 750 ft. tall, offers a panoramic view of San Antonio and the surrounding area. Glass-walled elevators ascend over 500 feet to the restaurant and observation level. It was the theme structure for HemisFair in 1968 and symbolizes the progress made by the confluence of civilizations in the Western Hemisphere.

KING WILLIAM AREA: Walking Tour History and Map

Website: http://www.saconservation.org/tours/sitevisits_kingwilliam.htm

The King William District occupies land that was once irrigated farm land belonging to the Mission San Antonio de Valero, the Alamo. When the mission was secularized in 1793, the lands were divided among the resident Indian families from the mission or sold at public auction.

TEXAS STAR TRAIL: A Downtown San Antonio Walking Tour

Website: http://www.saconservation.org/tours/sitevisits_texastrail.htm

You can walk the Texas Star Trail beginning at any point along its 2.6 mile length. The route can also be abbreviated, or walked in sections. Each of the numbered locations is marked with a large red & blue aluminum Texas Star Plaque. Street addresses are also listed for those who wish to drive the route. Small star markers, with each star pointing direction, connect the large markers.

SAN ANTONIO FAMILY ATTRACTIONS

SEA WORLD OF SAN ANTONIO

10500 SeaWorld Drive, San Antonio TX 78251

(location: 16 miles from northwest of downtown

San Antonio at Ellison Drive and Westover Hills Boulevard,
off State Highway 151.)

(210) 523-3611

Website: www.seaworld.com

As you enter the world's largest marine life adventure park, meet the majestic Anheuser-Busch Clydesdale horses in their spacious new home near SeaWorld's main entrance. Inside, you'll quickly discover SeaWorld San Antonio actually offers you four-parks-in-one, a world-class marine animal park, a spectacular show park, an exciting rides park and splashy water park-with more than 25 major attractions that put smiles on every member of your family.

SIX FLAGS FIESTA TEXAS

located just 15 minutes from downtown and the famous Riverwalk, 1-10 West at La Cantera Parkway exit north Loop 1604

(210) 697-5050

Website: www.sixflags.com

Six Flags Fiesta Texas is a theme and water park located in San Antonio that reflects the heritage and culture of its Southwest roots. The park occupies approximately 200 acres and feature numerous adult and children's rides. Shows, thrilling rides and skill games are built around themes celebrating Texas and the Southwest.

SAN ANTONIO ZOO

3903 North St. Mary's Street, San Antonio, Texas 78212

(210) 734-7184

Website: www.sazoo-aq.org

Being one of the largest zoos in the country with 3,500 animals of 750 species means there is a lot to see. The San Antonio Zoo is one of the premier zoos in the country, and our conservation programs with flamingo, white rhino, black rhino, snow leopard, whooping crane, and many more species are recognized around the globe. Enjoy your visit...use this site to plan your next Zoo trip, as an educational resource, to adopt an animal, to see what's new at the Zoo, and so much more!