



## DALLAS



# Where big things happen!

Dallas' skyline is a dream of glass, packed with protruding high-rises and LED-lined architecture. But within the city's streets lives an only-in-Texas vibe, where cowboy hats and snakeskin boots adorn night-out attire, and the aroma of barbecue lasts until well after midnight. Here's how to spend a weekend here.

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### DALLAS OUTDOORS EXPERIENCES

- The Dallas Zoo is the largest zoo in Texas, with 106 acres and home to over 2,000 animals. There's always something new, including a Hippo Outpost.  
[www.dallaszoo.com](http://www.dallaszoo.com)
- Get the true Texas experience at Texas Horse Park. Take a relaxing horseback ride along the trails and see the Great Trinity Forest, the largest urban forest in the USA.  
[www.riverranch-texahorsepark.com](http://www.riverranch-texahorsepark.com)
- Experience 360-degree views of Dallas at the GeO-Deck. The observation deck (470 feet in the sky) includes an outdoor walkway and Halo, a digital information system that gives you the history behind Dallas' most famous landmarks and events.  
[www.reuniontower.com](http://www.reuniontower.com)

### QUIRKY DALLAS NEIGHBORHOODS

- Trinity Groves, located at the base of the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge in West Dallas, is the ultimate foodie destination. You'll find everything from Spanish tapas to authentic Italian – and the view across Downtown is incredible.  
[www.trinitygroves.com](http://www.trinitygroves.com)
- The quaint shops and restaurants of the Bishop Arts District offer an eclectic and unique experience in one of Dallas' most historic areas and is home to more than 60 boutiques, restaurants, bars, coffee shops and galleries.  
[www.bishopartsdistrict.com](http://www.bishopartsdistrict.com)
- Deep Ellum introduced jazz and blues to Dallas in the 1920s. It's rich musical history still beats on in this district with an array of

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live music venues. The eclectic neighborhood is filled with quirky shops, great restaurants, bars and a huge live music scene.  
[www.deepellumtexas.com](http://www.deepellumtexas.com)

### GREAT DALLAS FOOD EXPERIENCES

- Go for a stroll and take in the delicious sights of the Dallas Farmers Market where local farmers display mouth-watering fruits and vegetables and on occasion offer free samples.  
[www.dallasfarmersmarket.org](http://www.dallasfarmersmarket.org)
- Truck Yard is a complex housing food trucks in an expansive retro outdoor space, with everything you'll need in one place. With its tree house bar, a great line up of daily food trucks and large outdoor space, it's the ultimate hangout spot.  
[www.texastruckyard.com](http://www.texastruckyard.com)

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- You can't go wrong with a lunch stop at Lockhart Smokehouse. From brisket to sausage and a side of deviled eggs, this spot is a worth a visit in Bishop Arts.

[www.lockhartsmokehouse.com](http://www.lockhartsmokehouse.com)

**FREE DALLAS TRANSPORT OPTIONS**

- Hop on the McKinney Avenue Trolley that takes you through Downtown, The Dallas Arts District and Uptown. Look for the "M-Line" maroon sign that's located at all the stops along the route, and track the trolley to see when its near.
- Use D-Link to explore Dallas' arts, fun, culture and dining. Check out the Dallas Arts District in downtown Dallas and historic Oak Cliff. Buses run every 15 minutes, Monday to Saturday, from 11 am-11:30pm.
- E-Frogs is an eco-friendly golf cart service that transports you in style around seven Dallas neighborhoods. Each cart is wrapped in colorful and eye-catching décor, and easy to spot. To request a ride text your departure and arrival addresses to (469) 432-4055.

Dallas's reputation has long been shaped by saucy television shows such as Dallas; and everyone knows where the 'Dallas Cowboys' football team calls home, but dig a little deeper, and find that beneath the stereotypical big-hair, big cars, big houses



and big charm, is a smart, fresh city. So, leave those cowboy boots and ten-gallon Stetsons at home because this capital city is all about big city sophistication with just a hint of southern charm.

**PRO DALLAS TIP**

Get a 'City Pass' and save 40% off admission to Dallas Zoo, Reunion Tower GeO Deck, Perot Museum of Nature and Science, and George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum OR Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden.

[www.citypass.com/dallas](http://www.citypass.com/dallas)



A vacation in Dallas could become more than just a dream. Go big and then go home with great memories.

**WOW** WOW air offers cheap flights to Dallas from several European cities from May 2018.



**LET'S TACO**

★ 'BOUT IT ★



**Mexican food that is a true fiesta for your taste buds!**

We are at eight locations in the Reykjavik area and one in Akureyri: The N1 service stations at Hringbraut and Bildshöfði. The shopping malls Kringlan and Smáralind and Akureyri center among other places.

