



Positively
Drippin'
in **Fun**

A Guide to "Living it up" in
Dripping Springs, Texas

 **Capital Title**SM
A Shaddock Company



Must See

The Poundhouse Museum

Take a step back in time and into the rich history of Dripping Springs at the Dr. Pound Historical Farmstead Museum. Nestled on five beautifully shaded, oak-filled acres, the 1854 farmstead offers a fascinating and informative glimpse into our community's historic past. The Pound House is included on the National Register of Historic Places and has been a Texas State Historical Landmark since 1965.

570 Founders Park Rd, Dripping Springs

<https://drpoundfarmstead.org>

Texas Hill Country Olive Company

Opened in 2009 with the intent to produce fresh olive oil and other olive-based products, while protecting the beauty of their land. Texas Hill Country Olive Company is the only certified organic olive orchard in the state of Texas and were the first in the state to win awards for their olive oils. The orchard is open to visitors for tours, product sampling, and purchasing. Call ahead for hours of operation.

2530 W Fitzhugh Rd, Dripping Springs

<https://texashillcountryoliveco.com>

Hamilton Pool Preserve

A historic swimming hole and hiking area, which was designated a preserve by the Travis County Commissioner's Court in 1990. Located 3/4 mile upstream from its confluence with the Pedernales River, Hamilton Creek spills out over limestone outcroppings to create a 50 foot waterfall as it plunges into the head of a steep box canyon. The pool's water level stays pretty constant, even during periods of drought. The preserve is also home to a variety of native birds, fish, animals and plants. Reservations are required and fees apply to enter Hamilton Pool Preserve during peak summer months, May-September.

24300 Hamilton Pool Rd, Dripping Springs

<https://parks.traviscountytexas.gov/parks/hamilton-pool-preserve>

The Stars at Night

Dripping Springs was named as the First International Dark Sky Community In Texas in 2014. The stars at night remain big and bright deep in the heart of Texas – thanks to the hard work and dedication of Texas Hill Country residents. When people enter the Dripping Springs area at night, many of them notice something is different – the skies over the city are not spoiled by light pollution.

www.darksky.org/dripping-springs-named-the-first-international-dark-sky-community-in-texas/

The Bluebonnets of the Hill Country

Perhaps the showiest and certainly the most identifiable of Texas wildflowers, they are the real legacy of the Lady of Lady Bird Lake, who made planting their seeds on Texas highways her special, successful project. The Texas Highway Department also plants thousands of the seeds each year, which it has been doing since the 1930s. Bluebonnet season usually peaks in early April and can be seen in masses in the yards, roadsides and large properties in Dripping Springs. Be careful about trespassing on private property, wild animals creeping in the grass and never pick the flowers. While there are no laws against picking the bluebonnets, it's a cultural rule in Texas to not remove the wildflowers from their rooted spot.

Welcome to Dripping Springs!

Also known as the "Gateway to the Hill Country", this city lies in the beautiful Texas Hill Country about 25 miles west of Austin, the state capital. This beautiful Hill Country town offers abundant wildlife, jaw dropping views of rolling hills, exceptional schools and close proximity to energetic cities like Austin and San Antonio.

Fun Facts

Dripping Springs in Texas History

The first settlers in the area were three families: The Pounds, Mosses and Wallaces. On June 5, 1857, John Moss was appointed the first postmaster. To have a post office, the community needed a name. Nannie Moss officially named it "Dripping Springs" after the Milk House Branch of the Edwards Aquifer, a gathering place for the Tonkawa Indians. Dripping Springs became a stagecoach stop and part of a freight line that ran between Austin and Fredericksburg.

City Nickname: "Gateway to the Hill Country"

Population: Roughly 3,140 (2016 Estimate by the US Census Bureau)

Dripping Springs is the official Wedding Capital of Texas

This small town offers more than 30 wedding venues within a 15-mile radius. Regardless of the size, religious affiliation or style, engaged couples can find everything they need.

The Barber Shop Isn't a Barber Shop

If you're looking for a haircut, it isn't that kind of barbershop. The Barber Shop is a brewpub popular among young locals, old locals and pretty much everyone in between. The pub takes its name from the Dripping Springs Barber Shop, which occupied the same building decades ago. The Barber Shop pays homage to those early days through its décor. <http://barbershopbar.com>

Hosts of the only certified organic olive orchard in the state of Texas and were the first in the state to win awards for their olive oils:

Texas Hill Country Olive Company | <https://texashillcountryoliveco.com>



Must Try

Sipping in Dripping

Take part in an experience that only Texas can offer. Each vendor has its own personality and style, yet all share a commitment to quality, hospitality and a fervent passion for what they do. The sites listed below are open to visitors for tours, product sampling, and purchasing, and special events. Call ahead for hours of operation.

Breweries

Acopon Brewery www.acoponbrewing.com
Family Business Beer Company <https://familybusinessbeerco.com>
Ghost Note Brewing www.ghostnotebrewing.com
Jester King Brewery (Nearby) <https://jesterkingbrewery.com>
Last Stand Brewing www.laststandbrewing.com
Suds Monkey Brewing <https://sudsmonkeybrew.com>
Twisted X Brewing www.twistedxbrewing.com
Vista Brewing <http://revolutionspirits.com>

Distilleries

Crowded Barrel Whiskey Co <https://crowdedbarrelwhiskey.com>
Crystal Creek Moonshine www.crystalcreekmoonshine.com
Deep Eddy Vodka Distillery www.deepeddyvodka.com
Desert Door Texas Sotol www.desertdoor.com
Dripping Springs Distillery www.drippingspringsvodka.com
Frog Pond Distillery <https://frogponddistillery.com>
Goodnight Loving Vodka <https://goodnightlovingvodka.com>
Revolution Spirits <https://revolutionspirits.com>
Stinson Distilling <https://stinson.business.site/>
Treaty Oak Distillery www.treatyoakdistilling.com

Vineyards and Wineries

Argus Cidery www.arguscidery.com
Bell Springs Winery www.bellspringswinery.com
Driftwood Estate Winery www.driftwoodvineyards.com
Duchman Family Winery <https://duchmanwinery.com>
Fall Creek Vineyards at Driftwood <https://fvc.com>
Hawk's Shadow Winery & Vineyards www.hawksshadow.com
Sidecar Tasting Room <https://sidecartastingroom.com>
Solaro Estate Vineyard and Winery <https://solaroestate.com>
Westcave Cellars Winery www.westcavecellars.com

Fun on Historic Mercer Street

Enjoy the architecture of buildings, many of which were built between 1870 and 1940, but are the current location for several thriving businesses. Whether it's shopping at a boutique or farmers' market, dining, or attending a special event, there is something for everyone in downtown Dripping Springs.

Monthly Events on Mercer

City of Dripping Springs Farmers' Market

www.cityofdrippingsprings.com/page/fm.home

First Thursday

www.destinationdrippingsprings.com/events/2018/first-thursday--dripping-springs

Get Festive!

Dripping Springs packs a calendar full of annual events and festivities! The listings below are some of the time honored local events.

March | Texas Night Sky Festival

www.destinationdrippingsprings.com/events/2019/texas-night-sky-festival

April | Founder's Day Festival

www.cityofdrippingsprings.com/page/foundersday.home

May & October | Dripping with Taste Trail

www.destinationdrippingsprings.com/p.aspx?plD=events/drippingwithtaste&

July | Dripping Springs Fair & Rodeo

www.drippingspringsfairandrodeo.com

October | Dripping Springs Song Writer's Festival

<http://drippingspringssongwritersfestival.com>

December | Christmas on Mercer Street

www.cityofdrippingsprings.com/page/city.mercer_christmas

Spend Some Time Outdoors

With the Texas Hill Country close by, several bodies of water around the area and a handful of state parks within short reach, there's an abundance of ways to spend your days outside with friends or family.

Hamilton Pool Preserve

<https://parks.traviscountytexas.gov/parks/hamilton-pool-preserve>

Milton Reimer's Ranch Park

23610 Hamilton Rd, Dripping Springs

<https://parks.traviscountytexas.gov/parks/reimers-ranch>

Pedernales Falls State Park (Nearby)

2585 Park Road 6026, Johnson City

<https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/pedernales-falls>

Westcave Outdoor Discovery Center (Nearby)

24814 Hamilton Pool Rd, Round Mountain | <https://westcave.org>

Enjoy Some Live Music

Who doesn't love live music? Austin's live music scene stretches into Dripping Springs. Enjoy some of these local venues within the website listed below that are known for live music. Call ahead or check the website for performance info and business hours.

www.destinationdrippingsprings.com/businesses/live-music



Hays County Closing Locations

Dripping Springs

701 Highway 290 West
Suite 101
Dripping Springs, Texas 78620
512-827-3772 (O)

San Marcos

1913 Dutton
Suite 308
San Marcos, TX 78666
512-216-6340 (O)

Wimberley

13300 Ranch Road 12
Wimberley, Texas 78676
512-216-6340 (O)

To see more Capital Title closing locations across Texas, visit:

www.ctot.com/austinlocations.html

