

Patch Program

Explore Austin

Get out and about exploring the city of Austin with this patch program. The Cadette and Senior Girl Scout attendees of Zilker Day Camp 2003, Session 4 created the original patch program, and Brownie Troop 44623 contributed ideas for additional locations.

Try completing this program in conjunction with the [Capital Metro Patch Program](#) to learn more about navigating public transportation in Austin.

Email the [GSCTX Girl Experience](#) team if you find any hidden gems that should be on the list.

Patches are available for purchase in the [GSCTX Retail Shop](#). Visit during store hours to see the latest merchandise offerings.

Grade level requirements:

- **Daisies to Ambassadors (grades K-12).** Explore a minimum of eight places on this list

Discover

Please check each location prior to your visit for up-to-date information. Use the [Explore Austin Patch Map](#) to help plan your outings. Note that sites on themed tours listed below and moontowers are not marked on the map.

*Locations with a star require an admission fee.

Popular Landmarks

- [Central Library](#), 710 W. César Chávez Street, (512) 974-7400
- Eat at a food truck

- Take a photo of an outdoor mural
 - “i love you so much” mural, 1300 South Congress Avenue (512) 444-3800
 - “Greetings from Austin” mural, 1720 S. 1st Street
 - “You’re My Butter Half” mural, 2000 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard
 - Any outdoor mural you find while exploring Austin
- atx Sign, Northeast corner of 5th Street and N. Lamar Boulevard
- *[Peter Pan Miniature Golf](#), 1207 Barton Springs Road (512) 472-1033
- *Sandy’s Hamburgers and Frozen Custard, 603 Barton Springs Road, (512) 478-6322
- *[Cathedral of Junk](#), 4422 Lareina Drive, (512) 299-7413
- *[Thinkery](#), 1830 Simond Avenue (512) 469-6200
- [Moontowers](#) that provided evening light before regular streetlights
 - Leland Street and Eastside Drive (NE corner)
 - Monroe Street and S. 1st Street (SW corner)
 - W. 9th and Guadalupe Street (SE corner)
 - W. 12th Street and Blanco Street (SE corner)
 - W. 12th Street and Rio Grande Street (NW corner)
 - W. 15th Street and San Antonio Street (SW corner)
 - W. 41st Street and Speedway Street (SW corner)
 - Zilker Park (used for Zilker Park Holiday Tree)
 - Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Chicon Street (SE corner)
 - E. 13th Street and Coletto Street (NE corner)
 - Pennsylvania Avenue and Leona Street (NE corner)
 - E. 11th Street and Trinity Street (SE corner)
 - E. 11th Street and Lydia Street (SW corner)
 - Canterbury Street and Lynn Street (NE corner)
- [The Domain outdoor shopping mall](#), East of Mopac Express between Alterra Parkway and Braker Lane

History

- [Texas Capitol](#), 1100 Congress Avenue, (512) 463-0063
- [Texas Governor’s Mansion](#), 1010 Colorado Street, (512) 463-5518
- *[Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum](#), 1800 Congress Avenue, (512) 936-8746
- [Texas Military Forces Museum](#), 3038 W. 35th Street, (512) 782-5659
- *[French Legation Museum](#), 802 San Marcos Street, (512) 472-8180
- *[Neill-Cochran House Museum](#), 2310 San Gabriel Street, (512) 478-2335

- [Austin History Center](#), 810 Guadalupe Street, (512) 974-7480; has a small [exhibit](#) area; call ahead to arrange for a presentation from their archives
- Brush Square Museums
 - [O. Henry Home](#), 409 E. 5th Street, (512) 472-1903
 - [Susanna Dickinson Museum](#), 411 E. 5th Street, (512) 974-3830
 - [Austin Fire Museum](#), 401 E. 5th Street, (512) 974-3835
- Cemeteries
 - [Oakwood Cemetery & Chapel Visitor Center](#), 1601 Navasota Street, (512) 978-2310
 - [Texas State Cemetery](#), 909 Navasota Street (512) 463-0605

Cultural Heritage

- [Asian American Resource Center](#), 8401 Cameron Road, (512)974-1700
- [George Washington Carver Museum](#), 1165 Angelina Street, (512) 974-4926
- [Huston-Tillotson University King-Seabrook Chapel and Bell Tower](#), 900 Chicon Street, (512) 505-3000
- [Downs-Mabson Field](#), 2816 E. 12th Street, (512) 477-1566
- [Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center](#), 600 River Street (512) 974-6700
- [Tejano Walking Trail](#), East César Chávez Neighborhood. Each site counts as a different place for the Explore Austin patch.
- [Historic Austin Tours](#): Each site counts as a different place for the Explore Austin patch.
 - East Austin Barrio Landmarks: A tour of Mexican American Heritage, Past and Present ([English](#) | [Español](#))
 - [Rogers-Wiley-Holy Cross: Black Heritage Living History](#)
 - [Historic Austin Churches](#)

Visual and Performing Arts

- [*The Contemporary Austin](#)
 - Jones Center Downtown, 700 Congress Avenue, (512) 453-5312
 - Laguna Gloria Sculpture Park, 3809 W. 35th Street, (512) 458-8191
- [*Blanton Museum of Art](#), 200 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, (512) 471-5482
- [*Austin City Limits venue tour](#), 310 Willie Nelson Boulevard, (512) 472-5550
- [*Umlauf Sculpture Garden](#), 605 Azie Morton Road (512) 445-5582
- [*Mexic-Arte Museum](#), 419 Congress Avenue, (512) 480-9373
- [Elisabet Ney Museum](#), 304 E. 44th Street (512) 974-1625
- [Dougherty Arts Center](#), 1110 Barton Springs Road, (512) 974-4000

- [The Old Bakery & Artisan Emporium](#), 1006 Congress Avenue, (512) 974-1300; Note that this no longer operates as a bakery
- [Austin Art in Public Places](#) walkable, self-guided tour, Downtown Austin
- *[Paramount Theatre](#), 713 Congress Avenue (512) 472-5470
- *[The Long Center](#), 701 W. Riverside Drive (512) 474-5664

University of Texas

- [Campus Visitor's Guide](#)
- *[Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library](#), 2313 Red River Street (512) 721-0200
- [Harry Ransom Center](#) – 300 W. 21st Street (512) 471-8944
- *[Texas Memorial Museum](#), 2400 Trinity Street, (512) 471-1604
- [Texas Union](#) and [Union Underground](#), 2308 Whitis Avenue, (512) 475-6636
- [UT Tower and Observation Deck](#), 2247 Guadalupe Street, (512) 475-6636
- Barbara Jordan statue and Battle Oaks, 24th Street at Whitis Avenue near the Texas Union
- [UT Turtle Pond](#), University Avenue and Inner Campus Drive near the Biological Laboratories building
- Littlefield Fountain, 201 W. 21st Street, (512) 672-6134
- [UT Landmarks](#) public art tour

Nature and Animals

- [Austin Nature and Science Center](#), 2389 Stratford Drive, (512) 974-3888
- [Bat Watching](#) – Under Congress Street Bridge, at dusk from March through October. (You can pair the [Bat Conservation patch program](#) with this.)
- [Austin Animal Center](#), 7201 Levander Loop, Bldg. A, (512) 974-2000
- *[Austin Zoo](#), 10808 Rawhide Trail, (512) 288-1490
- *[Zilker Botanical Gardens](#), 2220 Barton Springs Road, (512) 477-8672
 - Dinosaur Tracks at Zilker Botanical Gardens
- *[Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center](#), 4801 La Crosse Avenue, (512) 232-0100
- [The Natural Gardener](#), 8648 Old Bee Caves Road, (512) 288-6113
- [Treaty Oak](#), 503 Baylor Street, (512) 974-6700

Parks and Recreation

- *[Barton Springs Pool](#), 2131 William Barton Drive, (512) 974-6300

- [Beverly S. Sheffield Education Center](#) at Barton Springs Pool, 2201 William Barton Drive, (512) 974-6350
- *[Deep Eddy Pool](#), 401 Deep Eddy, (512) 472-8546
- [Disc Golf Courses](#) (multiple locations)
- [Skate Parks](#) (multiple locations)
- [Alliance Children’s Garden](#), 1000 Barton Springs Road
- [Waterloo Park](#), 500 E. 12th St
- [Mueller Lake Park](#), 4550 Mueller Boulevard
- [Mayfield Park and Nature Preserve](#), 3505 W. 35th Street, (512) 974-6797
- [Mount Bonnell](#), 3800 Mt. Bonnell Road
- [Zilker Metropolitan Park](#), 2100 Barton Springs Road
- [City of Austin trails A-Z directory](#)
([Parks GIS Viewer](#) to find a trail by location)
 - [Ann and Roy Butler Hike-and-Bike Trail and The Boardwalk at Lady Bird Lake](#), 1820 S. Lakeshore Blvd
 - [Southern Walnut Creek Trail](#), see [map](#) for access points
 - [St. Edwards Park and Greenbelt](#), 7301 Spicewood Springs Road
 - [Barton Creek Greenbelt](#), see [map](#) for access points
 - [Violet Crown Trail](#), 2212 William Barton Drive
- *[River Place nature trail](#), 8820 Big View Drive
- *[McKinney Falls State Park](#), 5808 McKinney Falls Parkway, (512) 243-1643
- *[Wild Basin Wilderness Preserve](#), 805 N. Capital of Texas Highway, (512) 327-7622
- [Commons Ford Ranch Metropolitan Park](#), 614 N. Commons Ford Road
- *[Emma Long Metropolitan Park](#), 1401-1711 City Park Road
- [Stephenson Nature Preserve and Outdoor Education Center](#), 7501 Longview Road
- [Walnut Creek Metropolitan Park](#), 12138 N. Lamar Boulevard
- *[Walter E. Long Metropolitan Park](#), 6614 Blue Bluff Road
- [Allen Park](#), 6413 Westside Drive, (512) 854-PARK
- *[Bob Wentz Park](#) ([map](#)), 7144 Comanche Trail, (512) 854-PARK
- [Richard Moya Park](#) ([map](#)), 10001 Burleson Rd, (512) 854-PARK

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