

Patch Program

Explore Waco

Waco was founded in 1849 and has a rich history including being the birthplace of Dr Pepper and home to Baylor University. Waco named after the Huaco Indians who established their village on the Brazos River within what is now the city of Waco. During this patch program, explore Waco by visiting a variety of landmarks, businesses and historical places that makes the city of Waco unique.

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.

*Locations with a star require an admission fee.

Popular Landmarks

- [Darwin the Gorilla](#), 3429 Austin Ave., Waco, TX 76701
- [*Dr Pepper Museum](#), 300 S 5th St, Waco, TX 76701, (254) 757-1025
- Eat at a food truck or pop-up restaurant
 - [*Food Trucks at Magnolia Silos](#), 601 Webster Ave, Waco, Texas 76706
 - [*Sergio's Food Truck](#), 608 Austin Ave, Waco, TX 76701
 - [*Union Hall](#), 720 Franklin Ave, Waco, Texas 76701

- [Homestead Craft Village](#), 608 Dry Creek Rd, Waco, TX 76705, (254) 754-9600
- [Magnolia Silos](#), 601 Webster Ave, Waco, Texas 76706, (254) 235-0603
- [*Mayborn Museum Complex](#), 1300 S University Parks Dr, Waco, TX 76706, (254)-710-1110
- [McLennan Community College](#), 1400 College Dr., Waco, TX 76708 (254) 299-8622
- [*Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum](#), 100 Texas Ranger Trail, Waco, TX 76706, (254) 750-8631
- [*Texas Sports Hall of Fame](#), 1108 S University Parks Dr, Waco, TX 76706, (254) 756-1633
- [Waco Downtown Farmers Market](#), 500 Washington Ave, Waco, TX 76701, (254) 307-1884
- [*Waco Mammoth National Monument](#), 6220 Steinbeck Bend Dr, Waco, TX 76708, (254) 750-7946

History

- [Cottonland Castle](#), 3300 Austin Ave, Waco, TX 76710 (*tours require an admissions fee)
- [Doris Miller Memorial](#), 136 N M.L.K. Jr Blvd, Waco, TX 76704
- [*Historic Waco Homes](#), Downtown Waco, (254) 753-5166
- [Lee Lockwood Library & Museum](#), 2801 W Waco Dr, Waco, TX 76707, (254) 754-3942
- [Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas](#), 715 Columbus Ave, Waco, TX 76701, (254) 753-7395
- [Red Men Museum](#), 4521 Speight Ave, Waco, TX 76711, (254) 756-1221
- Waco Hispanic Museum, 2815 Speight Ave, Waco, TX 76711, (254) 548-9730
- Waco Police Museum, 3115 Pine Ave, Waco, TX 76708, (254) 750-1761

Baylor University

- [Armstrong Browning Library](#), 710 Speight Ave, Waco, TX 76706, (254) 710-3566
- [*Baylor Theatre](#), 1401 S University Parks Dr, Waco, TX 76706, (254) 710-1865
- [Baylor University](#), 1311 S. 5th St., Waco, TX 76706
- [Bill and Eva Williams Bear Habitat](#), (254) 710-3322
- [Black Gospel Archive and Listening Center](#), 1312 S 3rd St, Waco, TX 76798, (254) 710-6702
- [Martin Museum of Art](#), 60 Baylor Ave, Waco, TX 76706, (254) 710-6371
- [*McLane Stadium Tours](#), 1001 S M.L.K. Jr Blvd, Waco, TX 76704, (800) 745-3000

Visual and Performing Arts

- [Art Center of Waco](#), 701 S 8th Street, Waco, TX 76706, (254) 752-4371
- *[Brazos Theatre](#), 7524 Bosque Blvd Q, Waco, TX 76712, (254) 313-8920
- [Cultivate 7twelve](#), 712 Austin Ave, Waco, TX 76701, (254) 401-1443
- *[McLennan Community College Theatre](#), 1400 College Dr, Waco, TX 76708
- *[Silent House Theatre Company](#), (254) 339-4322
- Take a photo of an outdoor [mural](#), Downtown Waco
- *[Waco Civic Theatre](#), 1517 Lake Air Dr, Waco, TX 76710, (254) 776-1591
- *[Waco Symphony Orchestra](#), 600 Austin Ave, Waco, TX 76701, (254) 754-0851
- *[Wild Imaginings](#), (512) 844-3256

Nature and Animals

- *[Cameron Park Zoo](#), 1701 N 4th St, Waco, TX 76707, (254) 750-8631
- [Carleen Bright Arboretum](#), 9001 Bosque Blvd B, Woodway, TX 76712, (254) 399-9204
- [Lake Waco Dam](#), 5776-4120 Airport Rd, Waco, TX 76708, (254) 756-5359
- [Lake Waco Wetlands](#), 1752 Eichelberger Crossing Road, China Spring, TX 76633, (254) 848-9654
- [Waco Sculpture Zoo](#), Downtown Waco

Parks and Recreation

- [Brazos Park East](#), 3516 N M.L.K. Jr Blvd, Waco, Texas 76702
- [Cameron Park](#), 2601 N University Parks Dr, Waco, TX 76708
- Cool off at one of the City of Waco's [splash pads](#), Throughout Waco
- *[Hawaiian Falls](#), 900 Lake Shore Dr, Waco, TX 76708, (254) 892-0222
- [Hewitt Park](#), 801 S Hewitt Dr, Hewitt, TX 76643, (254) 666-6173
- [Indian Spring Park](#), 101 N University Parks Dr, Waco, TX 76701
- Play [disc golf](#):
 - Brazos Park East "The Beast" Disc Golf Course, 3516 N M.L.K. Jr Blvd, Waco, Texas 76702
 - Cameron Park Disc Golf Course, 2601 N University Parks Dr, Waco, TX 76708
 - Dewey Park Disc Golf Course, 925 N. 9th St, Waco, TX 76707
 - Trail Blazer Park Disc Golf Course, 1101 Harris Creek Rd., Waco, TX 76657
- *[Pura Vida Paddle](#), 3332 Franklin Ave, Waco, TX 76710, (254) 242-8370
- [Sul Ross Skate Park](#), 1301 Barnard St, Waco, TX 76701, (254) 750-5980
- *[Waco Surf](#), 5347 Old Mexia Rd, Waco, TX 76705

- [Waco Suspension Bridge & Riverwalk](#), Downtown Waco

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