

Texas Highways

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2012-2013 Editorial Calendar (as of 2/20/12)

May 2012 (Produced in March)

SUMMER PLANNER

San Antonio with Kids—Kitty Crider’s annual multigenerational getaway—to include the River Walk, the Alamo, and the Five & Dime General Store.

Resorts—Resort roundup, to include the JW Marriott Hill Country San Antonio, Inn at Dos Brisas in Washington, Rough Creek Lodge in Glen Rose, Bastrop’s Hyatt Lost Pines, and La Torretta Del Lago on Lake Conroe.

Warnock/Lajitas—Wolfman Klepper explores the little-known herbarium at Lajitas’ Barton Warnock Visitor Center, treks to the top of nearby Mesa de Anguila, and luxuriates in the amenities at Lajitas Resort.

Upper Brazos River Trip—A canoe excursion along the John Graves Scenic Waterway, starting just below Possum Kingdom dam.

June 2012 (Produced in April)

COASTAL SPECIAL

Matagorda Island Wildlife Management Area—Photographer Erich Schlegel captures Matagorda Island, known for its seclusion and untouched natural beauty.

Bay Area—Discover hidden treasures and small pleasures between LaPorte and Texas City, including Tookie’s burgers, the Kemah Boardwalk, Pier 8, Topwater Grill, and the Texas City Museum.

Nocona—Beyond boots ... there has been a resurgence of local efforts to revive Nocona’s rich culture and create travel opportunities. Writer/photographer Tyler Sharp covers a new museum and the Times Forgotten Steakhouse, along with the ball-glove factory and the town’s namesake lake.

Farmcations—The agri-tourism movement is growing, with many farms and ranches offering extended-stay peaks into the realities of rural life. To include The Greer Farm (Daingerfield); Sand Creek Farm (Cameron); Yonder Way Farm (Brenham); and Agarita Creek Farms (Fredericksburg).

July 2012 (Produced in May)

Big Red, Part I—A *TH* adventurer follows backroads and byways to find the best places to eat, swim, fish, and sleep along the entire length of the Red River in Texas. The first installment covers the Red River Valley from the Prairie Dog Town Fork to Wichita Falls.

Great Texas Balloon Race—Longview’s annual event draws top competitive racers from around the world, and will host the U.S. National Hot Air Balloon Championship from 2012 to 2014. Balloon flights fill the days, and glorious balloon glows light up the nights.

Aquarena Center—Texas State University has preserved San Marcos' ecologically fragile Aquarena Springs. Explore by kayak or glass-bottom boat.

Caprock Canyons Trailway—Although the tracks are long gone, the railroad berm has been transformed into a 64-mile hike, equestrian, and bike trail that traverses the pastoral farms of the Red River Valley before entering canyon country.

August 2012 (Produced in June)

Big Red, Part II—The second installment in our Red River series covers the Lake Texoma area, Eisenhower State Park, and downtown Denison.

George Observatory—Melissa Gaskill keeps eyes on the skies at this facility in Brazos Bend State Park. Story to include a roundup of other Lone Star stargazing sites.

Texas Eats—The New Lone Star Heritage Cookbook—Excerpt of Robb Walsh's new book.

Tom Lea—A preview of El Paso's annual October celebration of native son and acclaimed 20th-Century artist and writer Tom Lea.

September 2012 (Produced in July)

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL ISSUE

True, Texas—Our collective community of the imagination comes alive—locations to be announced.

The Oldest Texans—Dale Weisman explores Clovis/pre-Clovis archeological sites, including the Gault Site in Williamson and Bell counties, Nightengale Archeological center in Kingsland, Lubbock Lake Landmark, and Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument.

Fests Up—Our annual roundup of fall fests—to possibly include Bedford's BBQ & Blues Festival, the Big Bend Balloon Bash in Alpine, Pecan Fest in Seguin, and Port Isabel's World Championship Shrimp Cook-off.

October 2012 (produced in August)

Quanah Parker Trail—Russell Graves documents the path of Comanche Chief Quanah Parker; includes Quanah, Claude, Spur, and Lipscomb areas.

Lost Maples—A state natural area near Vanderpool harbors a protected pocket of bigtooth maples, and hosts a brilliant fall-foliage show.

Shangri La—Shangri La Botanical Gardens & Nature Center, on 252 acres in the heart of Orange, offers a serene oasis for retreat and rejuvenation.

November 2012 (produced in September)

Marshall—The town's restored courthouse remains the centerpiece of a downtown revival. Specific locations to come.

Living Witness—Book excerpt captures the rich history of Texas through the stories of its most historic trees, and the people connected to them.

December 2012 (produced in October)

Houston Heights—June Naylor hits the Heights’ boutiques, galleries, and restaurants, along with the annual holiday homes tour.

Wichita Falls—A native returns to the Falls for the holidays, reliving childhood memories of Midwestern State University’s Fantasy of Lights, ElectriCrittters at River Bend Nature Center, and the Kell House Museum and Santa House.

January 2013 (produced in November)

Gangster Tour—book excerpt; roundup of notorious crime scenes—locations to be decided.

Save the Date—Our biannual events roundup; locations to be announced.