Places & Events of Interest

Driving Tours and Maps

Tour Brochures and Information are available at the Palestine Convention and Visitors Bureau, 825 Spring Street.

800.659.3484 or 903.723.3014

Museum for East Texas Culture

400 Micheaux. Hours:

Mon.-Sat., 10am - 5pm Sun. 1-4 pm. Admission: Adults \$2 Children \$1.

Lake Palestine

22, 550 acre lake, 20 miles North of Palestine. Fishing, boating, skiing, hunting, picnicking and more!

Anderson County Courthouse

Built 1913-1914. Features Grecian-style architecture, lonic columns, double spiral stairway, stained glass ceiling, silver dome and statue of the Goddess of Justice.

Howard House Museum

Registered in the National Register for Historic Places, this house is one of the finest examples of Greek Revival architecture remaining in Texas. Built in 1851 by Col.George Howard, the Howard House is one of the oldest homes in Palestine. Howard and his descendants resided there until 1964. Tours by appointment. Available for social functions. 1011 North Perry Street. For information, call 903.723.3014.

Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility

Launches scientific balloon projects to high altitudes. Tours by appointment during regular working hours. Five miles west of Palestine off Hwy 287 N, on FM 3224. 903.729.0271.

Gus Engeling Wildlife Management Area

Over 10,000 acre wildlife habitat. 20 miles North of Palestine on Hwy 287. Primitive camp sites. Free admission.

Old Pilgrim Church

Replica of the original Predestinarian Church (first Protestant Church in the state), founded by Elder Daniel Parker in 1833. Several earlier settlers killed at Fort Parker are buried in the Pilgrim Cemetery adjacent to the Church. Parker family decendants serve homemade gingerbread and coffee during the Dogwood Trails Celebration.

Texas State Railroad

Restored steam engines and antique coaches operate on the 25-mile rail line between the Victorian depots in Palestine and Rusk. Reservations and schedule information are available from TSR, Box 39, Rusk, TX 75785, 800.442.8951, www.TexasStateRailroad.com.

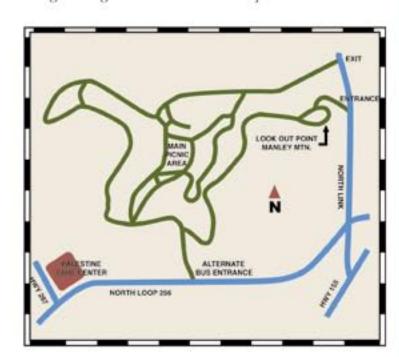
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Davey Dogwood Park

This area became the main location of Dogwood trails in February 1944, when Mr. M.A. Davey, a Palestine oil man, purchased this tract of land and deeded it to Anderson County to be used as a park of natural beauty. This area includes over 5 and one-half miles of hard-surfaced roads. The park is especially beautiful in the spring with the dazzling white blossoms of the Dogwood trees and many other native area wildflowers. In the fall, the beauty of the area changes to the autumn colors of the native trees and the rich red of the Dogwood trees. Picnic areas are provided at Manley Mountain (near the entrance of the park) and also near the center of the park. Visitors may view the scenic beauty along walking trails located around the picnic area.

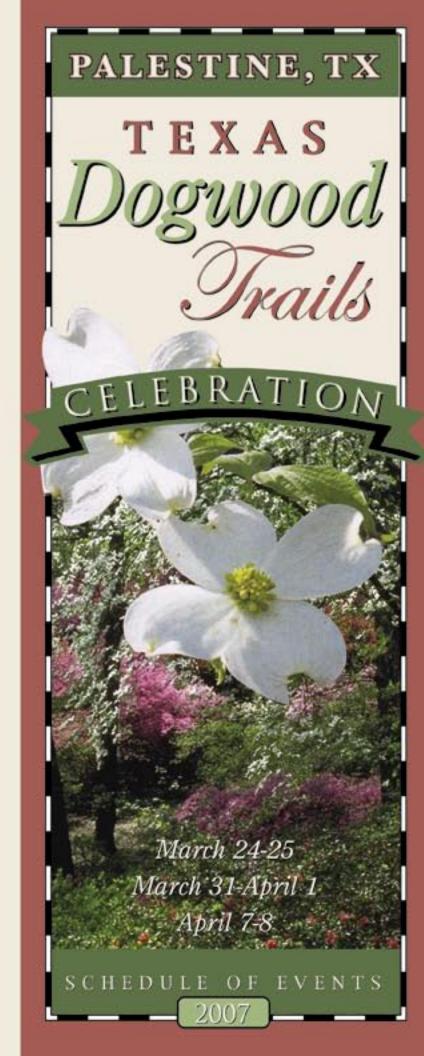


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to the Texas Dogwood Trails Celebration's 69th year.
Palestine and surrounding Anderson County invite you to
enjoy the beautiful Dogwoods blooming among the hills and
Piney Woods. To further this celebration of springtime,
the citizens of Palestine offer an extensive schedule of
events and activities for each of the three weekends.



MAP KEY

- Entrance to Davey Dogwood
 Park, N. Link St.
- 2 Howard House Museum, 1011 N. Perry St.
- Best Western Inn, 1601 W. Palestine Avenue
- Palestine Public Library, 1101 N. Cedar St.
- Redlands Building, 400 N. Queen St.
- 6 Anderson County Courthouse, Church St. at Lacy
- 7 Museum for East Texas Culture, 400 Micheaux
- 8 Anderson County Exposition
- Center, Hwy 287 N.

 Palestine Convention and
 Visitors Bureau, 825 Spring
- Express Inn and Suites, 100 E. Palestine Ave.

- Texas State Railroad, 3 miles on Hwy, 84 E.
- Steven Bennett Park and YMCA Complex, Loop 256
- Community Forest, Hwy 287/19 N.
- Federal Building, Sycamore St. at Oak St.
- Chamber of Commerce, 401 W. Main
- Palestine Regional Medical Center and ER, Loop 256
- 2300 W. Oak
- Holiday Inn Express, 1030 F. Palestine Ave.
- Old Town Palestine, Crawford Street

First Weekend March 23-25

Dogwood Trails Queen Coronation

Museum for East Texas Culture, 7pm Friday. For applications and information, call 903.729.6066.

Arts & Craft Fair

Historic Downtown and Old Town Palestine. 9 am Saturday. Kids Zone with lots of activities for everyone. \$1 donation. For vendor applications or information, call 903.729.6066.

Dogwood Trails Celebration Parade

10 am Saturday. "Springtime in Palestine" theme. For applications or information, call 903.729.6066.

Live Entertainment

Main Stage 11 am-4 pm, Family Stage 11 am - 4 pm, Sawdust Stage in the Hollow 12 6 pm.

Springtime in Old Town

9 am Saturday. Local Artists, musical entertainment, children's activities and more. For information, call 903.729.4434.

22nd Annual Dogwood Trails Car Show

10 am-3 pm Saturday, First Presbyterian Church Parking Lot. Admission \$3. For more information call 903 723 4737.

Coffee and Gingerbread Served at the Old Pilgrim Church in Elkhart

2 pm., Sunday only. Courtesy of the Friends and Descendants of the Parker Family.

Palestine High School National Honor Society

Museum for East Texas Culture, 10 am-5 pm Monday-Saturday, 1-4 pm Sunday. For more information, call 903:723.1914. BBO Dinner

First Christian Church. Saturday, 11 am till sold out.

113 E. Crawford. For more information, call 903,729,5440

Knights of Columbus Taco Dinner

11 am-3 pm. Knights of Columbus Hall. For more information, call 903,729,1322 \$6 Adults, \$4 Children.

Palestine Lodge No.31, A.F.& A.M. BBQ Dinner

11 am -2 pm. \$5 plate/drink. Corner of Debard & Queen St.

Gospel Music Festival

North Jackson Baptist Church. 2-4 pm Saturday. For more information, call 903.723.2177.

Palestine Community Theatre Presents "Calamity Jane"

At the Historic Texas Theatre. Friday & Saturday, 7:30 pm, Sunday 2 pm. For reservations and information, call 903.723.9595.

Howard House Museum Open House and Tours

12-4 pm. For more information, call 903.729.5094.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Tours

12-4 pm Saturday only. For more information, call 903.729.0449.

Second Weekend March 31-April 1

Dogwood Trails Home & Garden/Business Expo

10 am-5 pm Saturday, Palestine Civic Center.

For more information, call 903.729.6066.

Palestine Old Time Music and Dulcimer Festival

Presented by The Museum for East Texas Culture. For tickets and more information, call 903.723.1914.

Dogwood Trails Bike Tour

Meadowbrook Country Club. 7:30 am. Saturday. For more information, call 903.729.6066.

Texas Art Depot

Featuring local artist Janet Staples "Reagan Park". 2-4 pm. For more information, call-903.729.1262.

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Kiwanis Club Chicken BBQ

Saturday, 11 am, Walmart parking lot. For more information, call 903.729.8472.

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BARC the Humane Society's Critter Hoe Down Livestock Expo Center, Hwy 287 N. Info 903 729.8074 or www.barctx.org

Free Driving Tours of Historic Homes of Palestine

Self-guided or guided tours. For more information or guide assistance, call 903.723.3014 or 800.659.3484.

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Free Self-Guided Tours of Elmwood Gardens

Located at 680 ACR 446. For more information and times, call 903.549.2716.

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Third Weekend April 7-8

Veranda Views of Palestine

2pm Saturday on historic North Sycamore and Erwin Streets. For more information, call 903,729,6066.

Dave Broughton Art Show

Museum for East Texas Culture. 10 am-5 pm Monday-Saturday, 1-4 pm Sunday. For more information, call 903.723.1914.

Gospel Music Festival

North Jackson Baptist Church. 2-4 pm Saturday. For more information, call 903.723.2177.

Embrace The Arts

6-9 pm Saturday. Art Exhibits Tour includes a variety of exhibits at 5 locations. For more information, call 903 723 3014 or visit www.visitpalestine.com.

Free Tours of Davey Dogwood Park

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