





Dallas is located on the rolling prairies of northeast Texas, where the three branches of the Trinity River Merge. Founded in 1841 by John Neely Bryan, who chose the site along the river for his trading post, Dallas grew slowly at first. However, significant expansion occurred During the Civil War years (1861–65), when Dallas was used as a supply depot for confederate troops.

In 1872 the Texas Central Railroad was routed through town, and a year later the Texas Pacific Railroad arrived. Dallas entered the twenty-first century a center for banking, oil, cotton, and high technology, as well as a rapidly expanding city, both in terms of population and economy.

Dallas Area Rapid Transit System (DART) offers bus and light rail transportation to the city and 12 surrounding suburban communities.



#### **Places of Interest**

# The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza:

The museum examines the life, times, death, and legacy of President John F. Kennedy.

#### **Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden:**

The arboretum is a series of gardens and fountains with a view of the lake and the downtown Dallas skyline.

### **Perot Museum of Nature and Science:**

It is a natural history and science museum located in Dallas, Texas. It consists of two campuses: the primary campus located in Victory Park, and a secondary campus in Fair Park.

## **Dallas World Aquarium:**

It aids conservation by housing many animals that are threatened or endangered as part of a cooperative breeding program with other zoos around the world.