

EXPLORER | 7 DAYS, 6 NIGHTS

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TEXAS 7-DAY RIDE CAMP BIKE TOUR

Is it too bold to say that the Texas countryside was actually made for cycling? Well, then let's be bold, because we think the meandering roads, gentle ascents, and bike-friendly rural highways of this super-sized state are begging for two wheels. For decades, Fredericksburg and the surrounding hills have been a revered training ground by anyone that has put rubber to the road. The seemingly endless asphalt around Gillespie County is perfect for Texas-sized mileage, where even short rides can easily go long as way leads on to way. Here you will ride the many roads that pros use for offseason winter miles and good, old-fashioned Southern hospitality. And all against a backdrop of Texas wine country, beautiful rolling hills, short but punchy climbs, and thoroughly classic Texan ranches. Don't forget to stop in Luckenbach where "everybody's somebody," and pour one out for Waylon, Willie, and the Boys! [Book your trip with confidence](#) »

From
\$1799

Rider Type
Avid

Hotel Style
Explorer

Duration
7 days | 6 nights

Start | End
Fredericksburg, TX

Dates
2021/Mar/Apr/Oct/Nov/
Dec/May



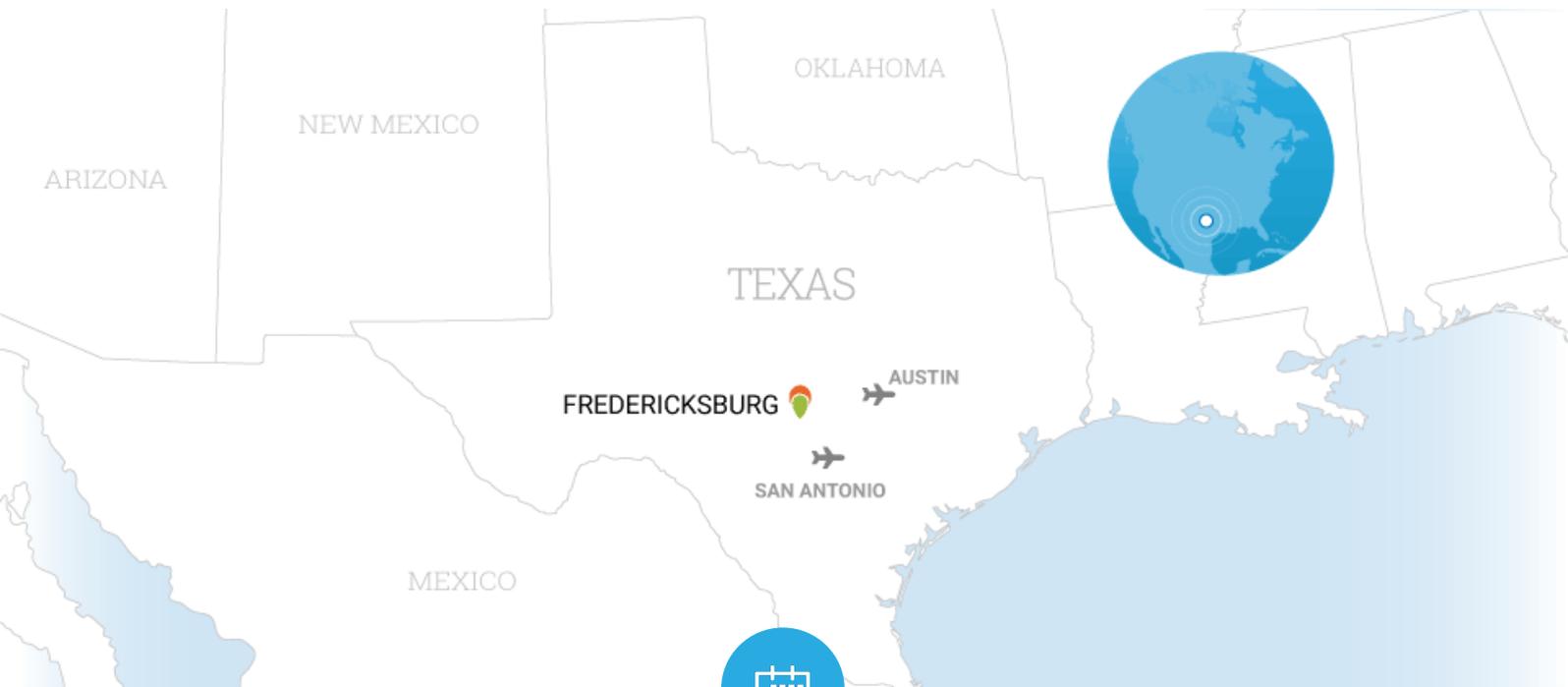
Is a Ride Camp right for me? »

TRIP WOWS

Downtown Fredericksburg is a perfect winter training ground

Quiet country roads with endless undulating terrain

Visit Luckenbach, Texas where "everybody's somebody"



DAILY ITINERARY

2021

Day

1

TODAY'S SELF-GUIDED RIDE:

Cherry on Top

Approximately 24 miles with 1,000 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:

Welcome to sunny Texas! Let the warm Southern hospitality wash over you as you get settled and ready for a week of amazing rides. After you check-in to the Fredericksburg Inn and Suites, you'll meet your Trek Travel guides who will fit you to your Trek Domane and review ride safety and the week's route options. Then, we'll kick it off in style with our welcome ride. The Cherry Loop is a great way to get the legs moving and explore the country roads north of Fredericksburg. Of course, if you're not feeling like riding today, you're free to relax in your hotel room or at the heated pool until the group meets for a welcome drink and then dinner at one of Hill Country's friendliest eateries to discuss the week ahead.

HOTEL:

Fredericksburg Inn and Suites

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Dinner

Day

2

TODAY'S RIDE

Harper to Tivydale

Approximately 63 miles with 2,800 feet of climbing

AVID OPTION:

Harper Loop—Avid

Approximately 73 miles with 3,300 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:

Rise at your leisure today and meet us for a continental breakfast at the hotel. Fuel up for your day, and then we'll gather as a group for the ride talk. Then, it's off to the Harper Loop—a 63-mile westerly route through sprawling Texas wine country. Enjoy countless vistas and the solitude these beautifully paved and quiet roads have to offer. You'll practically forget you're in the same state that produces the metropolitan traffic of Houston and Dallas, as we'll barely see a car for all the time spent in the saddle today. Tonight, dinner is on your own to discover the delights of Fredericksburg.

HOTEL:

Fredericksburg Inn and Suites

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Continental Breakfast | Lunch

Day

3

TODAY'S RIDE:

Willow City

Approximately 40 miles with 1,775 feet of climbing

AVID OPTION:

Willow City Loop—Avid

Approximately 65 miles with 3,200 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:

Are you rested and ready for more Texas today? The Willow City Loop is a classic local treasure. We will pedal the undulating country roads all the way out to Willow City. The terrain is both rugged and picturesque, speckled with Texas bluebonnets and the famous Indian Paintbrush throughout the springtime. Here we will enjoy lunch at 'Harry's on the Loop' - a true staple for anyone lucky enough to ride these roads. From Willow City choose to head back to Fredericksburg or bite off some extra miles through the beautiful canyons and hills just north of Harry's where you are likely to have the road all to yourself. Tonight, we'll dine as a group and celebrate the oversized achievement with some Texas-sized Italian food.

HOTEL:

Fredericksburg Inn and Suites

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Continental Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

Day

4

TODAY'S SELF-GUIDED RIDE:

Luckenbach Loop

Approximately 28 miles with 1,025 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:

We've hit the midpoint on our adventure, and today is your day to explore on your own as some guests depart and others arrive. Choose to get some bonus miles from a previous route, ride the short loop today, or discover the side streets and wineries of Fredericksburg. We suggest the Luckenbach Loop to spend some more time with this amazing gem of a community and take in some great live tunes—where everybody truly is somebody. Dinner will be as a group again tonight, with the chance to meet new arrivals and share stories with old friends at one of Fredericksburg's favorite beer gardens.

HOTEL:

Fredericksburg Inn and Suites

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Continental Breakfast | Dinner

Day

5

TODAY'S RIDE:

Doss Welgehausen with Enchanted Rock

Approximately 72 miles with 4,300 feet of climbing

SHORT OPTION:

Doss Welgehausen - Short

Approximately 50 miles with 3,000 feet of climbing

DESCRIPTION:

Today is what Ride Campers would typically characterize as a "big day" with just over 70 miles of riding and 4,300 feet of elevation gain. After breakfast at the hotel, we'll ride northwest by the sleepy and historic town of Doss and up the locally famous Welgehausen climb on our way to Enchanted Rock, a massive dome comprised of pink granite. The name Enchanted Rock comes from an interpretation of Native American folklore by early Spanish and Anglo settlers. The endless rolling hills out here are sure to test the legs and the lungs. This is typical Texas, and it's totally terrific. Tonight, dinner will be on your own to continue exploring the charming town of Fredericksburg.

HOTEL:

Fredericksburg Inn and Suites

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Continental Breakfast | Lunch

Day

TODAY'S RIDE:

Kerrville to the Ghost Town

Approximately 70 miles with 3,025 feet of climbing

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DESCRIPTION:

Our final big adventure in Texas hill country is crammed with adventure, so get those legs in gear! After a hearty breakfast, we're headed to Kerrville, on the banks of the Guadalupe River. On the way out, we'll pass through the ghost town of Morris Ranch, known for its thoroughbred horse ranch that thrived through the 1800s. Today, only historic buildings remain, but they stand as a page right out of history and provide a fascinating backdrop for a ride that traverses the best hills in the area. Challenge yourself on all of the undulating climbs that stand between you and your final night at Texas Ride Camp. Tonight, we'll meet for dinner as we reflect on our accomplishments and exchange contact information with all our newfound friends! It's truly been a wonderful week.

HOTEL:

Fredericksburg Inn and Suites

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

INCLUDED MEALS:

Continental Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

Day

TODAY'S SELF-GUIDED RIDE:

Cain City

Approximately 17 miles with 550 feet of climbing

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DESCRIPTION:

It's time to say goodbye to this gorgeous area today. Rise at your leisure and cap off your Texas crusade with one final ride through hill country this morning. Choose the classic Cain City Loop or revisit Luckenbach to say to goodbye to your favorite country music icon. Or, enjoy a coffee with breakfast as you relax for one last quiet morning. Please be prepared for check-out from the hotel by 11:00 AM, and we hope to see you again soon!

INCLUDED MEALS:

Continental Breakfast

WHAT'S INCLUDED

For us, the details matter most

Every moment of a Trek Travel bike trip has more than you could have ever dreamed. More romance. More scenery. More choice. It's the little additions to every Trek Travel cycling vacation that make it truly special. And that's how we help you create more memories.

What's Included

- Six nights of accommodation at a handpicked 2-star hotel
- A mix of self-guided and guided rides with our support van
- Daily continental breakfast, four lunches, and four dinners
- A Trek Domane SL 7 Disc
- Up to three daily route options on riding days
- Snacks and drinks for each day's ride
- Trek Travel water bottles to keep
- A Garmin Edge 1030 GPS computer equipped on each bike, a flat-pack, front and rear Bontrager Flare R lights, a Bontrager saddle and optional pedals (Shimano clipless road pedals, Shimano clipless mountain pedals, caged, or flat pedals)
- Bontrager WaveCel helmets
- All gratuities for drivers, local experts, and hospitality staff
- All luggage transfers and transportation during your trip
- Entrance fees for all activities, private tours, and events

Gear

- Trek Domane SL 7 Disc carbon road bike with Shimano Di2 electronic shifting
- Trek Travel water bottles to keep
- Shimano clipless road pedals, Shimano clipless mountain pedals, caged, or flat pedals
- Bontrager WaveCel helmet
- Bontrager men's and women's specific saddles
- Bontrager front and rear Flare R lights and a flat pack
- Garmin Edge 1030 GPS computer

- Upgrade your bike to include carbon wheels (+\$200)
- Coupon valued up to \$500 off a new Trek Bicycle. Your coupon will be delivered via email prior to your trip.
- *For the most comfortable ride, you may choose to bring your own pedals, saddle, and helmet on the trip. Your guides will install your gear on the first day during your bike fit.*

THANK YOUR GUIDES, BY TIPPING

Gratuities for your Trek Travel guides are not included in your trip price. We recommend tipping 7.5-10% of your trip price for the guide team. Local currency is preferred and unless you want to tip separately, guides will divide tips amongst themselves. Please tip your guides at your discretion, based on their level of professionalism, guest care, and service.

What's Not Included

- Airfare and transportation to and from the trip pick-up/drop-off locations
- Lodging before and after the trip
- Personal items purchased during the trip
- Optional activities not scheduled by Trek Travel
- On select trips some meals are not included. On these trips, Trek Travel invites you to explore the local cuisine at your leisure.

HOTELS



FREDERICKSBURG INN AND SUITES

FREDERICKSBURG, TX

Discover a tranquil oasis in the heart of Texas Hill Country at Fredericksburg Inn & Suites, located on five beautiful acres alongside Barons Creek. Our spacious accommodations and sparkling outdoor pools create the perfect setting for you cycling retreat. *Please note, this is a 2-star property chosen for its easy access to the best routes.*



MEETING & DEPARTING

How To Get There

We suggest that you arrive at least one day prior to the trip start, which will enable you to adjust to the time zone and minimize the risk of missing the trip start due to flight-related delays. We recommend that you fly into either Austin Bergstrom International Airport (AUS) or San Antonio International Airport (SAT).

From here, Hill Country Express

Meeting Time And Location

Fredericksburg Inn and Suites | Fredericksburg, Texas

Your Trek Travel staff will meet you at the Fredericksburg Inn and Suites (201 S Washington Street, Fredericksburg, TX 78624) between 12:00 PM-2:00 PM on the first day of the trip. Upon meeting your guides and getting checked into the hotel, we will ensure you have a great fit to your new bike for the week and give you a few pointers before you head off on a self-guided warm-up ride.

If you will be late for the meeting time, or are going to miss it altogether, please inform your guides. You will receive an email a week before the trip starts with their names and contact details. If you cannot reach them, please call our first hotel, Fredericksburg Inn and Suites (830-997-0202) and leave a message with

Tours runs shuttles to Fredericksburg from both airports. Cost is \$125 from Austin and \$110 from San Antonio. This shuttle drops off at Gillespie County Airport and from there the hotel is a short cab ride away.

your expected arrival time and contact details.

Departing Time And Location

Fredericksburg Inn and Suites | Fredericksburg, Texas

You will say farewell to your guides at 11:00 AM at the Fredericksburg Inn and Suites. Please be sure to book transportation to your departure airport prior to the end of your trip.

The use of your Trek Travel bike ends at 11:00 AM on the day of departure, and in some cases, may be needed for another guest arriving that day. Extensions may be available upon request but cannot be guaranteed before your trip begins.

Before & After: Austin, Texas

Austin is the state capital of Texas, an inland city bordering the Hill Country region. Home to the University of Texas flagship campus, it's known for its live-music scene centered around country, blues, and rock. Its many parks and lakes are popular for hiking, biking, swimming, and boating. South of the city, Formula One's Circuit of the Americas raceway has hosted the United States Grand Prix. We recommend the following accommodations for your stay in Austin:

OMNI HOTEL AND RESORT

Capitalize on modern comfort and luxury amenities at Omni Austin Hotel Downtown, offering unparalleled experiences in the Lone Star State's capital. Enjoy spectacular views, well-appointed accommodations, and easy access to the entertainment district. Whether you're seeking high culture, live music, or an unforgettable event, you'll always find what you're looking for.

www.omnihotels.com/hotels/austin-downtown | ~\$175

ARCHER HOTEL AUSTIN

Archer Hotel is north Austin's most anticipated new hotel, bringing a luxe boutique hotel experience and sincere Southern hospitality to downtown Austin. With a nod to its Texas heritage, the eight-story boutique hotel mixes Texas limestone and wildflowers with the eclectic, creative soul of Austin.

archerhotel.com/austin | ~\$230

INTERCONTINENTAL STEPHEN F. AUSTIN

Originally built in 1924 as the city's first high-rise hotel on Congress Avenue, the InterContinental Stephen F. Austin's rich history and luxurious accommodations offer a truly unique hotel experience in the heart of downtown Austin. Step outside our doors and be surrounded by the best of Austin's local attractions. The InterContinental Stephen F. Austin is centrally located in the heart of downtown Austin and near the historic E. 6th Street, where you'll experience the heart of the Austin music scene, restaurants, and a diverse selection of shops.

www.ihg.com/intercontinental/hotels/us/en/austin/ausha/hoteldetail | ~\$160

* Hotels listed above are local properties we love. We do not have special rates available.



FAQS

What Are The Daily Rides Like?

- Rider Type | 4 - Avid
- Average Daily Mileage | 51
- Terrain | Hilly

What are the options for a non-rider travel companion?

On most Trek Travel trips, we offer non-riding options for riders who want to take the afternoon off, or travel companions who want to spend little or no time in the saddle. Non-riders are welcome on a Ride Camp trip if they are staying in the same room with a riding guest. The riding guest will be required to pay the single supplement fee for a private room and a meal package (\$350 for 7-day trips and

- Average Daily Elevation | 2,285 feet
- Total Miles | 356
- Total Elevation | 16,000 feet

Averages and totals are calculated from our "Avid Ride" options.

The road surface quality in Fredericksburg is predominantly comprised of chip seal surfaces and has numerous cattle guards. The terrain is consistently rolling, with quiet, narrow roads. Many climbs are relatively short and average around 6% so the climbing is accumulated throughout the ride. Texas Ride Camps are best suited for our Type 4 Riders. Type 4+ Riders will enjoy the extra mileage the avid route options offer.

\$200 for 4-day trips) for the non-rider to dine with the group. Please contact a trip consultant for details and to book a non-riding companion. Some of these activities have additional costs and can be arranged through the hotel's concierge. Some non-riding options on this trip are:

- Wine tasting
- Boutique shopping
- Live music
- Explore local historic monuments and museums
- Horseback riding
- Golf
- Spa Services

Trip Changes

See itinerary for specific daily ride distances and elevation options. On all of our vacations, Trek Travel seeks to find quiet, paved secondary roads or bike paths to experience a region; busy roads are avoided as much as possible. Though our routes are well researched to provide the best possible riding experience, riders should be prepared for short sections of busy roads in order to get to the quiet country roads. Our itineraries are an approximation of our trips. Trek Travel strives to offer every guest a vacation of a lifetime on every trip. The routes, hotels, activities, etc. listed here may change at the discretion of the trip designer or guides to improve the trip experience.