

SEVEN
DAY GETAWAY

to

DALLAS, TX




RV THERE **YET?**

GIDDYUP PARTNER

You know what they say. Everything's bigger in Texas. So why not take a big honkin' road trip to the Lone Star State to see for yourself? We're heading to the city known as the "Big D." On the way to this land of urban cowboys, we made sure you can make stops for memorable photos, eat some great grub and get going with some great activities.

Giddyup partner. It's time to gas up the rig and head towards the Lone Star State, where BBQ sauce flows and the cowboy boots are always on.



Everything's bigger in Texas, and the city of Dallas is no exception. "The Big D" gets its nickname because it is one huge city - the ninth largest in the United States as a matter of fact. Featuring the largest urban arts district in the nation, incredibly poignant places of history and some of the best shopping in the southwest, the home of the Dallas Cowboys is one of the ultimate vacation destinations in America. Add neighboring Fort Worth to the mix and the area becomes the fourth largest metro in the country. It's one big melting pot that you should get ready to jump right into.



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Des Moines IA



Carthage MO



Canton TX

Our comprehensive map provides you our suggested legs of the trip, along with stops for each.

**Total trip and miles:
10.5 hours - 748 miles**

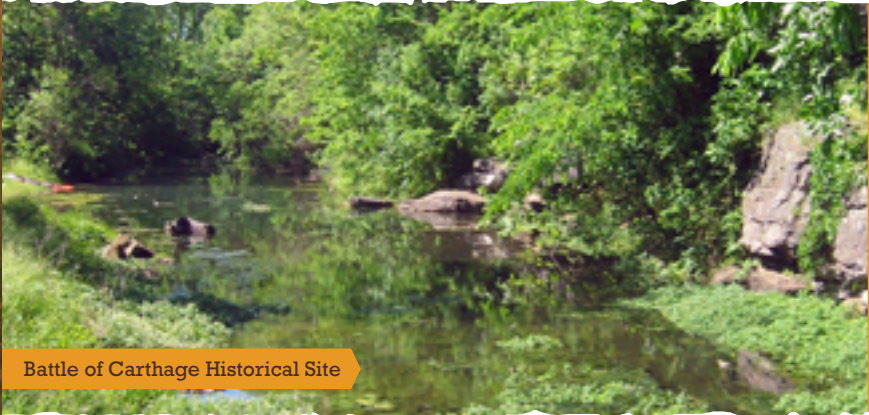
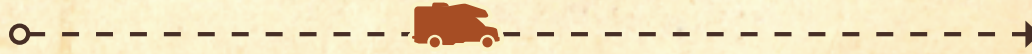
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Driving the complete route takes about 10 and a half hours, which we suggest you spread out into two legs. While you're out on the open road you may feel a spark of that good old American adventure spirit, and you may want to take detours or modify the route to fit your travel needs best.

Remember that you can take your time driving, depending on how many stops you'd like to make. We include campgrounds along the way, but make sure you call and make reservations before you get rollin' to ensure your camping space.

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Battle of Carthage Historical Site

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Civil War Museum: Learn about the Battle of Carthage and the Civil War while you're here. This museum has a ton of artifacts and information that will give you a great understanding of the historic time that shaped the United States, and the effect it had on Carthage.

Drive-In Theater: Are There Still Drive-Ins? There sure are! Motor over to the 66 Drive-In Theater for some retro movie watching. Make sure you visit their website before you go to see the schedule.

GREAT GRUB

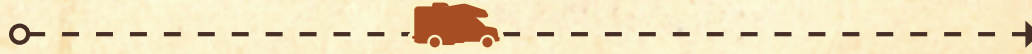
The Original Whisler's
300 N Garrison Ave, Carthage, MO

Fill up on the fifties (and some great cookin') at Whisler's. This primo burger joint has been cooking up some of the best cheeseburgers in Missouri since 1953.



Whisler's

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Precious Moments Chapel

SAY  CHEESE!

— Photo Opps —

Precious Moments Chapel

Remember the Precious Moments: If you want a precious moment for your scrapbook, be sure to stop by the Precious Moments Chapel and take a walk around the calming gardens and pose with the bronze Precious Moment-inspired statues.



WHERE to STAY

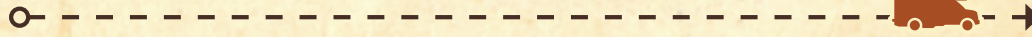
Big Red Barn Campground

13625 Elm Rd, Carthage, MO
(417) 358-2432
www.brbrv.com

This 27 acre RV park is a great place to set up camp. With full hookups, free WiFi, hot coffee and fresh baked muffins, you are sure to experience great hospitality during your stay at the Big Red Barn.



LEG 2 Carthage MO to Canton TX



Sit in the
Oval Office



George W Bush Library

WORTH A STOP

Visit The Dallas Arts District: The Arts District is home to the city's leading visual and performing arts institutions, and is a must see for anyone who appreciates the arts. You can learn about the city, its history and culture all while having fun. And sometimes you can get great food from food trucks at The District!

Visit the George W Bush Library: This library also has museum exhibits where you can experience interactive decision points and get an inside look at how Presidential decisions are made during times of major crises. You can also sit in the Oval Office and relive history in an interactive way, see steel from the World Trade Center and take a walk through the 15 acre urban park filled with native Texas prairie grasses and wildflowers.

Get wild with the rodeo: What's more Texas than the rodeo? Saddle up with your cowboy hat and boots, you're in for an experience like no other. Depending on the rodeo of your choice, you can see bareback riding, steer wrestling, bull riding and more. To ensure you have a seat, call ahead and buy your tickets. Try visiting www.mesquiterodeo.com to view the schedule and get your seat!

GREAT GRUB

Snuffers

3526 Greenville Ave Dallas, TX

Are you looking for some of the best burgers in Dallas? Oh, and maybe you want a seriously cheesy twist on french fries too? Look no further than Snuffers. Their fresh, never frozen 100% ground chuck cooked to order is sure to hit the spot.

Abacus

4511 McKinney Ave Dallas, TX

Abacus offers swoon-worthy contemporary global cuisine incorporating the flavors of the Mediterranean, Southwest and Pacific Rim. From small plates to large plates, you're sure to find something that impresses your tastebuds. Don't forget dessert! The pastry chef unveils homemade bread and dessert every day.



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Reunion Tower

Do you want to see Dallas from every angle? Head on up the Reunion Tower, where you can view 360 degree views of the city, and even catch a light show! With completely unobstructed views, this breathtaking view is sure to be photo worthy. While you're on the deck taking in the view, there are also a bunch of interactive features to explore too.

JFK Assassination

Unlike most photo ops, this one takes a more serious note. It is such a large part of American history that people from all over the nation come to see the spot on Elm Street where President John F. Kennedy was assassinated on Nov. 22, 1963. When you're visiting The Sixth Floor Museum, you will want to see where history was made on that somber day.

Sammons Park

Sammons Park is an extension of the AT&T Performing Arts Center venues. There is a shallow reflecting pool that splashes across black granite which is a popular spot to take fun portraits. And, it's a pretty good place for the kids to cool off if they have their swim suits!



WHERE to STAY

Mill Creek Ranch Resort

2102 N. Trade Days Blvd, Canton, TX
(877) 927-3439
millcreekranchresort.com

This full hookup resort offers over 200 acres of stocked fishing ponds, designer pools and activities like volleyball and paddle boating. Enjoy the natural beauty of East Texas with the luxury of your home on wheels at this park.



Reunion Tower



AT&T Performing Arts Center



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Dallas. Wow.

With so much to do and so many things to see and eat, we know you've got your fill of the Good Life. But, alas. Your trip is about to come to an end and it'll soon be time to hit the open road to head home. If you missed any of our road trip suggestions when you reverse the route back to your

house, be sure to check them out. But if you want to try a different way back home to spice things up, you could always head north on I-35 and take a tour of Oklahoma City. From there, head northwest and you'll find Kansas City on your way back home to your heartland.

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Jim Bowen - Fort Kearney Blacksmith

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Amy Aletheia Cahill - Rocky Mountains

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