



Bastrop Texas



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Regional Information

The CITY OF BASTROP, county seat of Bastrop County, Texas, is located on the Colorado River at the junction of State Highways 71, 21, and 95, thirty miles southeast of Austin.

Education

The Bastrop Independent School District boundary covers an area of 433 square miles and includes the communities of Bastrop, Cedar Creek, Red Rock, Rockne, Paige and vast rural areas of Bastrop County. Bastrop ISD is one of the fastest-growing school districts in Central Texas. At BISD, all students are encouraged to strive for excellence each day in everything they do. Bastrop ISD is moving from good to great!

The Bastrop Independent School District has been committed to providing an exemplary education to its students since it was founded in 1883. The district currently includes two high schools, two middle schools, two intermediate schools, six elementary schools and an alternative high school. BISD is currently rated Academically Acceptable and provides a challenging and rewarding educational experience for every child.

Additionally, Bastrop has ready access to the cultural and educational opportunities offered in nearby Austin—Texas' State Capital—as well as the many agricultural, natural and vocational experiences that come from our unique setting along the Colorado River in the piney woods. Our central location puts Bastrop within a short drive of major colleges and universities, including the University of Texas (30 minutes), Texas A&M (75 minutes), and Texas State University (45 minutes). Within a few hours' drive are schools in Houston and San Antonio as well.

Recreation

Bastrop is a unique blending of old and new. Nestled on the banks of the Colorado River, the historic district offers a delightful selection of shops and restaurants as well as B&Bs. Nearby neighborhoods contain over 140 historic homes. The historic district offers a delightful selection of shops filled with interesting gifts, crafts, books, clothing, and antiques. Adding to the charm, a variety of restaurants provide visitors with delicious food and a comfortable, friendly atmosphere. Families can participate in youth baseball, basketball, soccer, football, tennis, and other team sports. After-school gymnastics, tae kwon do, art courses and many more activities are available. Dozens of non-profit civic organizations offer numerous community service opportunities and musical, comedy and other cultural productions are held throughout the year at the historic Bastrop Opera House.

Bastrop also has four excellent 18-hole golf courses; including the #4 ranked ColoVista and the new Wolfdancer course at the Hyatt Regency. The Lost Pines Hyatt Regency Resort and Spa opened in June 2006. This 496-room resort is located on 600 acres near McKinney Roughs Nature Park, north of Hwy 71, and offers equestrian trails, hiking, an 18 hole golf course, a day spa and activities on the Colorado River.

Quality of Life

Bastrop has just been named a "Distinctive Destination" by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and joins a roster of 132 towns and cities across the nation with this honor. This comes in recognition of the city's work to preserve its historic character, promote heritage tourism, enhance the community and extend its welcome to others in enjoying its offerings.

Whether you're thinking about moving your family or your company, Bastrop extends a Texas-sized welcome and full community services to make your relocation a success. Our schools, our mild climate, our excellent transportation, our growing economy, and our proximity to a major metropolitan area all combine to make Bastrop a great place to visit, a great place to work, and a great place to live. Bastrop also has a variety of health care choices and facilities to ensure that all your family's needs are met. In addition, Bastrop is home to two MD Anderson Research Facilities.

Bastrop is the ideal community for a variety of Central Texas lifestyles. Located for an easy commute to downtown Austin, San Antonio or Houston, we also offer the "small town atmosphere" in which many families choose to live and enjoy their lives. Bastrop residents are part of a close community. Our tremendous growth trends consistently raise the standards of excellence, yet we are small enough to know and care for each other. The many attractions offered in Bastrop foster opportunities for family time and fellowship.

Business Overview

Bastrop is among the fastest growing areas in Texas! Because of its proximity to Austin and its location on the Austin/Houston corridor, Bastrop's population has increased by one-third in the last 5 years alone. Many incentives are available to businesses considering the Bastrop area, including: Financial Assistance Programs, Tax Abatements and FREE Land in our 250+acre Industrial Park, available to qualified companies based on the number/quality of jobs created and investment in the community. This incredible growth has given our small picturesque community more resources to enhance the charm and ambiance that beckons you to visit often and to stay longer.

Nearly 140 Bastrop buildings and sites are officially listed in the National Register of Historic Places, earning the city the title of "Most Historic Small Town in Texas."