

FALL 2026

Discover **FALL FUN** SAN ANTONIO & THE HILL COUNTRY

Pumpkin patches. Festival nights. Scenic escapes.



SAN ANTONIO

YOUR GUIDE TO SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 2026



DAYTIME TO AFTER DARK

HALLOWEEN

Zoo Boo

Sept 19 - Nov 1 | San Antonio Zoo

Costumes, daily trick-or-treating and the new Fiesta de los Muertos area make this a cheerful family outing. Activities are part of the zoo visit.

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Howl-O-Scream

Select dates Sept 11 - Nov 1 | SeaWorld

Haunted houses, scare zones and shows begin at 7 PM. Included with park admission; intended for mature audiences. No costumes allowed.

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Halloween Spooktacular

Select dates through Nov 1 | SeaWorld

Daytime Halloween fun with a gentler mood, festive entertainment and treats. Check the daily activity schedule before visiting.

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Fright Fest

Select nights through Nov 1 | Fiesta Texas

Nighttime thrills include The Conjuring Universe and Monster Mash Bash. Haunted mazes require an additional pass or qualifying bundle.

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BOOtanica

Oct 17 | 9 AM - 1 PM | Botanical Garden

Wear a costume, follow the trick-or-treat trail and explore hands-on nature stations. Included with Garden admission or membership.

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More after-dark adventures

San Antonio | Advance reservations

Try 13th Floor for intense haunted-house scares, or a Sisters Grimm tour for atmospheric downtown ghost stories. Review each experience before booking.

[13th Floor tickets >](#)
[Sisters Grimm tours >](#)



FAMILY WEEKENDS

PUMPKINS & PATCHES

Find your pumpkin.
Wander a maze.
Stay for the memories.

THE PUMPKIN PATCH EDIT

Devine Acres Farm

Weekends Sept 26 - Nov 1 | Devine

Fall CountryFest brings together 50+ attractions, a pumpkin stroll, flowers, food and live music. Buy tickets online for advance discounts.

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Traders Village CORNy Maze

Sept 18 - Nov 8 | Southwest San Antonio

Choose from three maze difficulty levels, then enjoy pumpkin painting and farm-style fun. The separate Enchanted Lights season ends October 31.

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South Texas Maize

Fall weekends | Graff 7A Ranch, Hondo

The ranch opened September 26; its pumpkin patch opens October 2. Explore the eight-acre maze, hayrides and family attractions.

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Jenschke Orchards

Fall season | Fredericksburg

Pair a pick-your-own pumpkin outing with the giant corn maze, wagon rides and barnyard activities. Check field hours and ticket options online.

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Pipe Creek Pumpkin Patch

Oct 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 24-25 & 31

Hayrides, farm animals and play areas suit younger children. Stroll the Christmas tree farm; pumpkin painting and some activities cost extra.

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Cavern Bat Fest

October weekends | Natural Bridge Caverns

Discover free above-ground activities, a mini hay maze and bat-themed fun. Cavern tours and adventure attractions are ticketed; parking is extra.

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SAVE THE WEEKEND

FOOD, MUSIC & FESTIVALS

German traditions, Texas music
and a taste of wine country.



Fredericksburg Oktoberfest

Oct 2-4 | Marktplatz

Celebrate German heritage with live music, dancing, artisan vendors and plenty of festival flavors.

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San Antonio Beer Festival

Oct 17 | Civic Park at Hemisfair | 21+

Sample craft brews and enjoy music, food vendors and games. Bring a valid ID; entry times vary by ticket tier.

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Beethoven Oktoberfest

Oct 3, plus other October dates | King William

A classic San Antonio biergarten setting for polka, German food and an easy evening with friends. Check the full event calendar.

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Fredericksburg Food & Wine

Grand Tasting Oct 24 | Fredericksburg

Taste Hill Country wines and chef-led bites, browse the makers market and enjoy a day in historic downtown. See additional festival events online.

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Gruene Music & Wine Festival

Oct 8-11 | Gruene

Build your weekend around Texas wine, beer and live music. Each day has its own lineup and ticket options.

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Wurstfest

Nov 6-15 | New Braunfels

Ten days of German food, music, dancing and carnival fun. Kids 12 and under enter free; admission is free November 9-12.

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BRING THE DOG / BOERNE BARKTOBERFEST

Oct 17, 10 AM-4 PM | Main Plaza | Free entry | hcaltx.org/barktoberfest



ONLY IN SAN ANTONIO

CULTURE & COMMUNITY

Art, heritage and traditions
that make this place feel like home.

THREE DATES TO KNOW

OCT 23-25 MUERTOS FEST

NOV 07 DIWALISA

NOV 14 LUMINARIA

Muertos Fest

Oct 23-25 | Hemisfair | Free festival

Community ofrendas, music, art and processions honor loved ones during Día de los Muertos. Friday opens at 5 PM, Saturday at 10 AM and Sunday at noon. Sensory-friendly hours: Friday, 5-7 PM.

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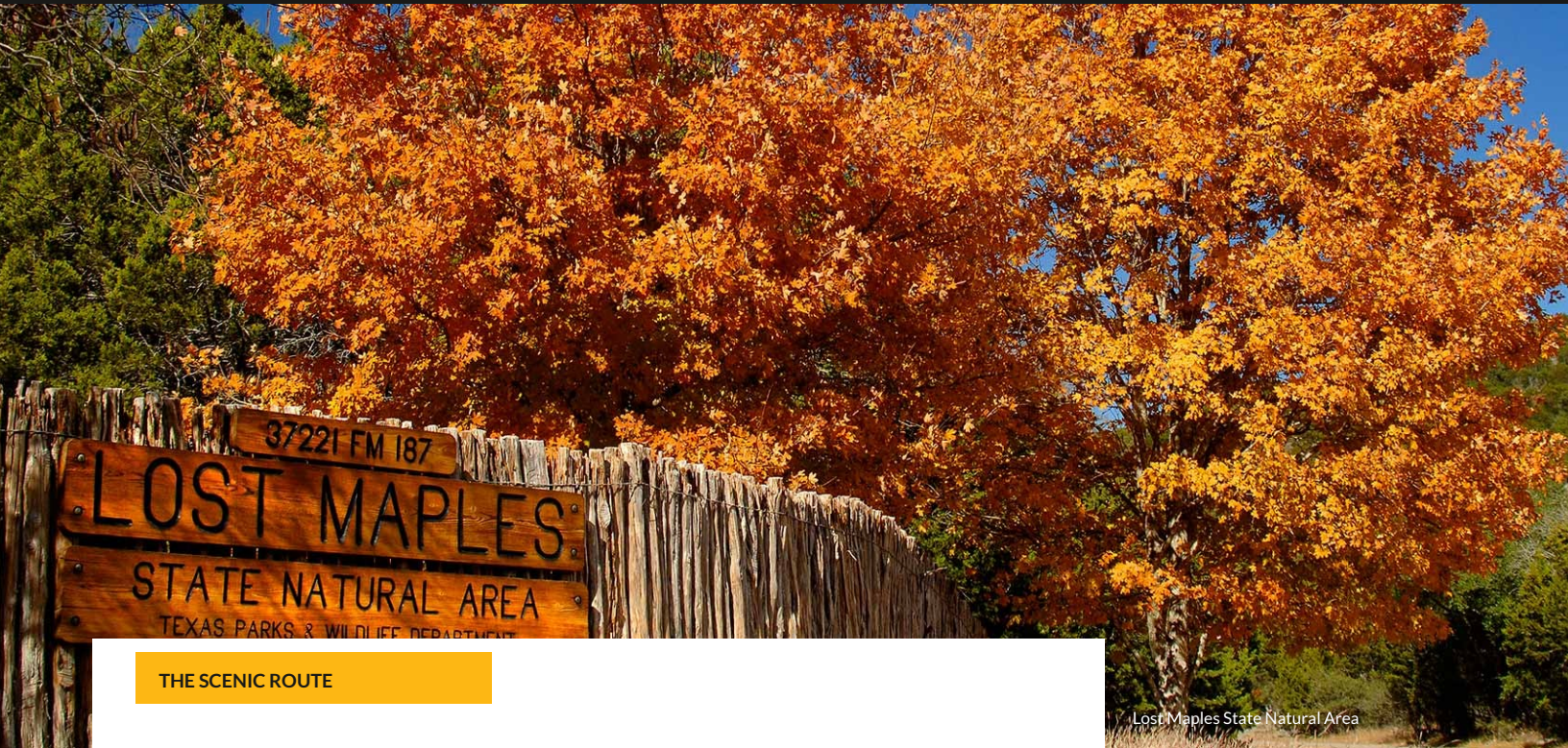
Nov 7 | 4:30 PM - Midnight | Arneson River Theater & Hemisfair

Celebrate Indian culture through music, dance, food and the warm glow of the Festival of Lights. Explore the organizer's program and downtown arrival information before heading out.

Luminaria Contemporary Arts Festival

Nov 14 | 6 PM - Midnight | Houston Street | Free

Downtown becomes an open-air showcase for contemporary art, performance and light. This year's festival is on Houston Street; plan your parking around that location.



HILL COUNTRY ESCAPES

Lost Maples

Vanderpool | Foliage & hiking

Watch the park's fall foliage reports rather than relying on a fixed peak date. Reserve entry early for busy autumn weekends.

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Love Creek Orchards

Medina | The Apple Store

Stop for apple pie, apple cinnamon ice cream and a relaxed patio lunch. A sweet addition to a Hill Country drive.

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Garner State Park

Concan | Frio River views

Walk beside the Frio, enjoy a picnic and look for autumn color along the river. Check current access notices and reserve a day pass.

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Fredericksburg wine country

US 290 corridor | Tastings & exploring

Choose a few winery stops, book tastings ahead and leave time for Main Street. Arrange a designated driver or wine-tour transportation.

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YOUR DAY-TRIP FORMULA

Choose one main stop, leave time for lunch and enjoy the drive. Reserve state park entry and winery tastings before a busy weekend.



SIMPLE SEASONAL TRADITIONS

FALL FEELS LIKE HOME

Make room for the little traditions that turn autumn into memories.

Pumpkins on the porch

Carve or paint pumpkins together, then roast the seeds for a seasonal snack.

A cozy night in

Gather for s'mores, warm cider and a favorite family movie.

Friday night lights

Cheer for a local high school team and enjoy an evening in the stands.

A little fresh air

Take a neighborhood walk, collect fallen leaves and try leaf-rubbing art.

Around the table

Invite friends for a chili cook-off, soup night or a relaxed Friendsgiving.

A season of gratitude

Start a gratitude journal, volunteer together or give to a local organization.

2026 dates checked September 30, 2026. Schedules and admission may change. Click event links for current details before visiting.

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