

2024 DALLAS UPDATES & ITINERARY **IDEAS**

UPCOMING HOTELS

INTERCONTINENTAL DALLAS UPTOWN

Spring 2025, 220 rooms

This luxury Dallas hotel will feature sweeping panoramic views of the Dallas skyline and will be located in the premiere Uptown neighborhood, just minutes from Downtown.

THE KNOX. AUBERGE RESORTS COLLECTION

2026, 140 rooms

Located along the Katy Trail, Dallas' most iconic running and biking path, this boutique hotel will anchor a four-acre luxury lifestyle development that will include curated retail and restaurants, and a new park connected to the trail. The hotel will also be steps from a multitude of retail and dining along Knox-Henderson avenues, and just minutes from Downtown, Uptown and Oak Lawn.

FOUR SEASONS TURTLE CREEK

2027, \$750 million, 240 rooms

Designed by award-winning architecture firm Pelli Clarke & Partners, this 35-stories hotel will offer stunning views in every direction and will be located in the prestigious Turtle Creek Boulevard, offering both a residential feel while putting guests just minutes from Downtown, Oak Lawn and luxury shopping options in Highland Park Village.

OTHER UPDATES

COPA AMERICA

Experience the electrifying energy of Copa America 2024. Dive into the heart of soccer passion spanning the Americas. From the roaring crowds to the intensity on the pitch, ioin us on June 21 for Peru vs. Chile. June 23 fur USA vs. Bolivia, and a Quarter Final game on July 5. Don't miss out on the thrilling action and unforgettable moments of Copa America 2024.

2026 FIFA WORLD CUP™

Dallas will welcome soccer fans for nine FIFA World Cup matches, including a semifinal. The beautiful game will be played just 20-minutes from downtown at AT&T Stadium. home of the Dallas Cowboys, which during World Cup will be known as "Dallas Stadium", while fanfest will be based at the historical Fair Park grounds in Dallas. Save the date for: Match 11 on June 14 | Match 22 on June 17 | Match 43 on June 22 | Match 57 on June 25 | Match 70 on June 27 | Match 78 on June 30 Match 88 on July 3rd | Match 93 on July 6th | And Match 101, a semi-final, on July 14.

EVENTS TO KEEP IN MIND

THE MARGARITA MILE

A self-guided tour showcasing the best and brightest margaritas in Dallas! Every Spring to Fall.

THURSDAYS ON TAP

Head to the Perot Museum every Thursday from 6 to 10 pm, spring-fall, to enjoy live music, drinks, and food trucks from local businesses, in addition to access to the special exhibits.

DALLAS PRIDE

June 1-2, 2024, Fair Park. Enjoy Dallas Pride Music Festival in the Park, the Family Pride Zone, Teen Zone, and the Alan Ross Texas Freedom Parade.

MESOUITE RODEO

Every Saturday from June. August in Mesquite, the rodeo capital of Texas, just 20 min. from Dallas.

PRIDE IN DALLAS

September 2024, Oak Lawn. A weeklong extravaganza leading up to the dazzling Pride Parade on Cedar Springs.

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

September 27 - October 20, 2024, Fair Park. A combination of entertainment. rodeos, armadillo races, art, agriculture, history, cuisine and every aspect of Texas culture.

RIVERFRONT JAZZ FESTIVAL

October 30-September 1, 2024. A threeday jam-packed festival with some of the world's best national and international jazz artists of all sub-genres.

AUTUMN AT THE ARBORETUM

September - October 31, 2024. A showcase of more than 90.000 pumpkins, gourds and squash throughout the gardens as well as the beloved pumpkin village.

SPORTS SEASONS

The NBA Dallas Mavericks and NHL Dallas Stars play September - April and the NFL Dallas Cowboys play August - January.



24 HOURS IN DALLAS

MORNING

Start early in the morning riding the historic McKinney Avenue Trolley to the original Bread Winners restaurant on McKinney Avenue. This popular spot in the city is a favorite of under the radar celebrities.

Then, join the locals and jog at the **Katy Trail**, a 3.5-mile walking and biking path leading into the heart of the city. When on route, enjoy a local brew at the Katy Trail Icehouse one of Dallas' most popular spots.

Now visit <u>The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza</u>, to walk through a timeline of John F. Kennedy's life, presidency and the moments of November 22 as an entire nation stood by. A live feed from the museum webcam features a real-time view from the sniper spot and two areas in the museum were recreated to appear as they did in 1963.

Later, head for a walk to <u>Wild Bill's</u>
<u>Western Store</u> to find the perfect
boots and locally made Stetson hats.

Secure some Instagram moments in downtown with *In-City Wheels*. Explore the vibrant cityscape aboard an electric bike or scooter and uncover all the urban gems waiting to be discovered.

AFTERNOON

Explore some of the best BBQ in Texas at <u>Terry Black's BBQ</u> in <u>Deep Ellum</u> or at nearby Pecan Lodge, where the pit master is always happy to reveal his secrets!

It is time to discover the rich musical history of Deep Ellum at the Deep Ellum Community Center and perhaps even more with the tours offered by the Center including the tour to *Blues Alley*, a tribute to the history of blues in this historical neighborhood considered the cradle

of Texas Blues. The Alley showcases the work of local artists and pays tribute to the artists that came out of Deep Ellum, including the father of Texas Blues, Blind Lemon Jefferson.

EVENING

It is now time to relax at your hotel, many downtown hotels have rooftop pools to unwind while you continue to immerse yourself in the city!

Or head to <u>Sweet Tooth Hotel</u> to enjoy or gather Instagram moments at 6,000 square feet of interactive adventures and end up at the bar with the most creative and sweetest drinks in town. In the afternoon it's time to explore another historic neighborhood, <u>Bishop Arts District</u>. A hidden gem for tourists and a favorite with locals of today and the past, including Bonnie and Clyde back in the 30's. The neighborhood is

filled with local restaurants and boutiques. Stay here for dinner perhaps at trendy **Paradiso**'s patio!

End your evening at one of **Casanova**'s karaoke rooms and don't forget to check out **Revelers Hall**, presenting local musicians and a very nice selection of local beers and plenty of charm.

Before tucking in for the night, dream big under the stars nearby **Ron Kirk Pedestrian Bridge** and enjoy some of Dallas' best skyline views.



48 HOURS IN DALLAS

MORNING

Start your second day in the city with some award-winning bagels at **Starship Bagels**, famous for its very best bagels in the US (outside of New York). Either eat there by the Eye at the Joule or take your bagels with you for a morning picnic.

Then head to the **Dallas Arboretum**, don't miss a nice drive through the Swiss Avenue Historic District in Old East Dallas, a diverse neighborhood containing the finest collection of Early 20th Century residential architecture in the entire Southwest.

Take in some fresh air at the Dallas Arboretum, located on the shores of *White Rock Lake*. Don't miss one of the Arboretum's seasonal events such as the internationally acclaimed pumpkin village in the fall and much more. Those with families can head to the Rory Meyer's Children's Garden, packed

with STEAM learning opportunities and plenty of outdoor adventures.

Continue your tour of Dallas with a stop at the <u>George W. Bush</u> <u>Presidential Library and Museum^{CP}</u>. Visit Freedom Hall, a high-definition video wall montage of the 44 U.S. Presidents, and a full-sized Oval Office. The museum and an accompanying 15-acre urban park reside on the campus of Southern Methodist University, the alma mater of former First Lady Laura Bush.

AFTERNOON

Lunch and shopping go big at NorthPark Center, offering 230 shops covering the entire spectrum of fashion. The center also features a world-renowned art collection. If you need more shopping options, across from NorthPark you will find The Shops At Park Lane offering a curated collection of outlet

stores, perfect for finding the best bargains in town.

Skip the highway on your way back downtown and take a scenic drive through Highland Park, one of Dallas' most elite neighborhoods. Stop at the country's first planned shopping center, *Highland*. *Park Village*. Don't miss the big mansions along Lakeside.

Then it's time to walk along Flora Street in the <u>Dallas Arts District</u>, home to some of Dallas' most significant cultural landmarks, including the <u>Dallas Museum of Art</u>, one of the ten largest art museums in the country, The <u>Nasher Sculpture Center</u> and <u>The Crow Museum of Asian Art</u>. Don't miss the Reeves Collection at the Dallas Museum of Art to see a reproduction of the only villa designed by Coco Chanel and to admire authentic Chaneldesigned furniture.

EVENING

For dinner, walk to <u>Klyde Warren</u> <u>Park</u> and enjoy dinner in style at Mi Cocina, one of the local's favorites spots for Tex-Mex and people watching in the city. Make sure to enjoy the <u>Nancy Best's</u> <u>fountain</u> show, a 45-minute water performance choreographed with hit songs and light and shooting water up to 100-feet (30m) in the air. You are welcome to get in it!

After dinner, head back to Flora Street and the <u>AT&T Performing</u> <u>Arts Center</u> for a night of stage acts at the Wyly Theater, Winspear Opera House, or Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center.

Sports fans can end the night with a game at the nearby American Airlines Center, home to the <u>NBA Dallas</u> <u>Mavericks</u> or the <u>NHL Dallas Stars</u>.



72 HOURS IN DALLAS

MORNING

Start with a trip to the nearby home of the <u>Dallas Cowboys</u>, (about 20 min) and take a guided tour at **AT&T Stadium**. The tour includes a run out onto the field and the Cowboys and Cheerleaders' locker rooms. Those with kiddos can visit the Giants of the Savanna exhibit at <u>Dallas Zoo</u>, the largest zoological experience in Texas!

Then visit the <u>Perot Museum of Nature and Science</u>, where even the extraordinary building serves as a living science lesson. The museum is home to 11 permanent exhibit halls and various traveling exhibitions throughout the year, delivering hours of fun for children, adults and life-long learners alike. The museum houses their own paleontology team and exhibits newly discovered dinosaur bones.

AFTERNOON

Stop for a casual lunch at the Exchange Hall, a gourmet food-court at **AT&T Discovery District**,

then explore the headquarters, art gallery and flagship stores of this communication giant!

It's now time to discover a very special museum and the experience of holocaust survivors at the *Dallas Holocaust & Human Rights Museum*, talk to a hologram of a survivor and learn how to become an up-stander. If you have little ones, head instead to the *Dallas World Aquarium*, exhibiting not only ocean life but also penguins and even jaguars!

Those looking for Instagrammable moments and a brain workout can head to the <u>Museum of Illusions</u> to surprise their fans.

After some rest and relaxation get ready for dinner! Foodies should head to **Fearing's**, a creation of celebrity chef Dean Fearing, pioneer of Southwestern cuisine.

For something more casual, head to *Greenville Avenue*, a strip with restaurants and bars popular with the local college students or *Trinity Groves*, where Beto & Son is the perfect place to taste the local nitrogen-frozen margaritas!

EVENING

For a nice Dallas farewell head to the **GeO-Deck at Reunion Tower** to see the city from over 500 feet in the air at one of Dallas' most recognized structures. Enjoy the view and interact with Halo, the observation deck's digital information system, to learn about Dallas' landmarks, Reunion Tower's light shows and more.

After the stunning panoramic views, head to the <u>Oak Lawn neighborhood</u>, home to Dallas' LGBTQ+ life. Head to the Round Up Saloon for line dancing and don't miss the drag shows at the Rose Room at S4. Or head to one of the staples of country life in Dallas at Cowboys Red River Dancehall & Saloon and unleash your inner cowboy!

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