



## Fun for the Whole Family

From tots to teens, your children won't want to leave once they discover the attractions and activities in Waco & the Heart of Texas.

### 9:00 am Cameron Park Zoo

Located on 4th Street – *Allow 2 hours to tour the Zoo.* Follow the footsteps of early Spanish explorers as you journey through the Brazos River Country exhibit spanning the seven habitats of plant and animal life that can be found along the beautiful Brazos River, from the Gulf of Mexico to the Caprock Regions of West Texas. Marvel at the clever Orangutans and beautiful Sumatran Tigers in the Asian Forest. Meet the rhinos, giraffes, elephants and more on the African Savannah. *Allow 15 minutes for driving and loading time.*



### 11:15 am Waco Mammoth Site

Located on Steinbeck Bend – *Allow 45 minutes to tour.*

"The Nation's first and only recorded discovery of a nursery herd of Pleistocene mammoths." – National Park Service. Though the first bones at the site were discovered in 1978, the site remained closed to the public until the end of 2009. Baylor University staff, students and volunteers spent countless hours excavating the site during the past 30 years. On July 10, 2015, the site became a National Monument – part of the National Parks System.

*Allow 15 minutes for driving and loading time.*

### 12:15 pm Homestead Heritage (Lunch and Tour)

Located 11 miles North of Waco -  
*Allow 1.5 hours to tour the agricultural settlement.*

Here you will enjoy a delicious lunch from Café Homestead, featuring homemade breads, pastries, and ice cream. After lunch, watch demonstrations of a blacksmith forging metal into works of art, pottery making, and fine wood furniture being crafted by hand. While you are there, enjoy a hayride or watch a herding demonstration.

*Allow 25 minutes for driving and loading time*



### 3:00 pm Dr Pepper Museum



Located at 5th and Mary Street -  
*Allow 45 minutes for a self-guided tour of the museum..*

Enjoy a serving of history and nostalgia inside this interactive museum. Learn the story of how Dr Pepper was created in 1885 through an animatronic, life-size Dr. Charles Alderton. Try out the numerous interactive exhibits, watch old Dr Pepper commercials, see how the drink was bottled, and

enjoy a cold sample Dr Pepper inside the restored turn-of-the century soda fountain.  
*Allow 15 minutes driving and loading time.*

### 4:00 pm Mayborn Museum Complex

Located on University Parks Drive - *Allow 1.5 hours for a tour of the museum*

This science and cultural history museum features natural history exhibits with walk-in dioramas and exploration stations, a hands-on discovery center with 17 themed rooms, and a 13 acre historic village. Having a hard time getting the family to leave? ***Consider visiting on a Thursday, when this museum is open until 8 pm!***

*Waco & the Heart of Texas tourism staff and volunteers are happy to assist with hotel and restaurant selection, serve as step-on guides and more. For details, call Susan Morton, 254-750-8610.*

