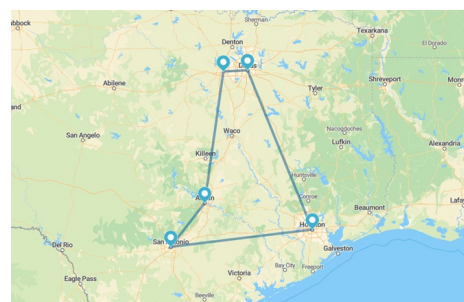




US, 9 Days · Tailor-made by car

Texas Triangle Route

Texas is the second most populous American state after California and the second largest after Alaska. This road trip will take you to Dallas, Houston and San Antonio, as well as Austin. You'll start off in the city that's world-famous for a certain soap opera. What's more, Dallas harbours the mysteries surrounding the death of President Kennedy, while also being the home to rodeos and many more attractions. Houston is the most populated city in Texas and boasts a huge range of leisure and cultural options. For example, the NASA Space Center will make you feel like an authentic astronaut. Meanwhile, San Antonio is the perfect mix between wild-west Texas and colonial Mexico. It's a city brimming with contrasts, as well as a contemporary touch that will definitely surprise you. The next stop is Austin, famous for its huge country music scene. And you'll then head back to Dallas before your flight home.



Departure date: Departures from May 2026 till May 2027

From: Cork, Shannon, Dublin

Travel details

● DAY 1 · CITY OF ORIGIN - DALLAS

Flight departure from the city of origin to Dallas.

Upon arrival, rental car pick-up and then hotel check-in.

Dallas is the most iconic city in the whole of Texas. Nicknamed 'Big D', everything in this metropolis is huge. Cosmopolitan and modern, it boasts an instantly recognisable skyline lit up at night by its colourful skyscrapers. If you have time during the day, we recommend taking in the views from the iconic Reunion Tower, which has an interactive observation deck commanding views that highlight the sheer immensity of the city (admission between 8 and 17 dollars). Reunion Tower is right in the heart of downtown Dallas.

We recommend a walk around this area to start familiarising yourself with the city. The Dallas nightlife is well-renowned and all-encompassing. The House of Blues is the best venue for country music, the Round-Up Saloon is guaranteed fun, and the Balcony Club is a haven for modern jazz.

Overnight stay in Dallas.

DAY 2 · DALLAS

The main attractions of Dallas are its cultural activities (especially in the Arts District, which cherishes an array of museums and historic buildings), its eco-friendly and sporting activities (held in its many parks), its nearby vineyards and its famous rodeos. In short, it's an enormous multifaceted city for all tastes and budgets. That said, we'd like to give you a small but select assortment of some of the most attractive things to do in the city. When it comes to museums, our first recommendation is the Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza. It focusses mainly on the figure of JFK, his legacy and all the details of his tragic death. As its name suggests, it's located where Lee Harvey Oswald fired the shots that fatally wounded the President.

Most activities in town cost around sixteen euros, so we recommend buying a discount package or the full CityPASS for forty-nine dollars.

Sculpture fans will love the Nasher Center with its well-tended natural installations (entrance fee around nine dollars), while the free-of-charge Dallas Museum of Art is fascinating.

Other options included in the CityPASS are the wonderfully interactive Perot Museum of Nature and Science and the enthralling Crow Collection of Asian Art, which showcases thousands of years of art. If you prefer a bit of fresh air, you could take a stroll around the beautiful "Arboretum" and Botanical Gardens or learn about the pioneer community at the Heritage Village at Old City Park. Also very popular are Dallas Zoo and the Dallas World Aquarium (admission around twenty dollars).

Overnight stay in Dallas.

DAY 3 · DALLAS - HOUSTON

This second part of your road trip will take you four hours southwards to the fourth largest city in the United States.

Houston is a peculiar mix of oil tycoons and cowboys. Its incredibly structured highway system is used by millions and millions of cars every day. The cultural side of Houston is really interesting. Its museum district is huge. There are nineteen varied and high-quality museums spread over four walkable zones. One must-visit is the Museum of Fine Arts, with more than 65,000 works spanning from ancient times to the present day (entrance ticket approximately fifteen dollars). With free admission, the exceptional Menil Collection showcases major works of modern art, with pieces by Warhol, Matisse, Magritte, Chirico and Pollock. And make sure you visit the unique Rothko Chapel, designed as an intimate sanctuary available to people of every belief. Meanwhile, the vast verdant sprawl of Buffalo Bayou Park is perfect for a leisurely stroll or a lunchtime picnic. And sports buffs should try and catch a local team in action, whether it's American football (the Houston Texans), basketball (the Houston Rockets) or baseball (the Houston Astros). Live matches are always full of thrills and spills. Remember that Texas gets very hot in the summer, so there are several fun-filled water attractions such as Wet 'n' Wild SplashTown or Pirate's Bay. Another family-friendly attraction is the Moody Gardens complex, just an hour's drive away, which features three themed pyramids, a rainforest zoo, an aquarium and a theme park. Later in the afternoon, head down to Kemah Boardwalk, some thirty kilometres south of Houston. It is worth finishing the afternoon on this beautiful promenade overlooking Galveston Bay, and which has a large set of bars with live music and especially succulent restaurants specializing in Texan-style BBQ. Tom's Meat Market and Perry's Steakhouse are two of our particular recommendations.

Overnight stay in Houston.

● DAY 4 · HOUSTON

Today you can spend your day visiting the NASA Johnson Space Center and Space Center Houston, some forty kilometres away from Houston.

The experience is truly one-of-a-kind. Space explorers will guide you through the facilities at all times and answer any of your questions. Follow the map carefully to make sure you see all the different rooms and exhibits. The most spectacular attractions are the Starship Gallery, where you can see some amazing artefacts outlining the course of a space flight, including the Apollo 17 Command Module; a full-sized SkyLab Training module; real-life moon rocks that you can touch; and the Independence Plaza Experience, which houses a Boeing 747 shuttle carrier and the full-scale replica of Space Shuttle Independence. A tram will then take you to various government facilities at the Johnson Space Center, followed by the world's most complete collection of space suits and an interactive area with space station memorabilia and simulators. In short, an all-round experience that's literally out of this world. (Note: Admission costs about 29 dollars. For more details, visit www.spacecenter.org).

Return and overnight stay in Houston.

● DAY 5 · HOUSTON - SAN ANTONIO

Another great city awaits you today: San Antonio. The drive over there will be nice and relaxed, as Texas has a vast road network used on the whole by respectful drivers. What makes San Antonio stand out from the other cities visited is its multicultural mix, the subtle legacy of Spanish and Mexican traditions. Its eclectic architecture, quirky museums and diverse attractions give San Antonio a truly unique atmosphere. The city is a must-stop on any trip through the state of Texas.

The Alamo is without doubt one of the most important landmarks here. It's basically a building belonging to the religious mission at the time of Spanish colonisation that was used as a fortress in the Mexican assault. Meanwhile, the neo-Gothic San Fernando Cathedral is the oldest one in the United States and serves as the city's geographical centre. Nearby is the simply delightful River Walk. This is a winding path along both riverbanks full of vegetation, restaurants and urban life. Make sure you visit the city's leading attractions, including the Tower Life Building, the Arneson River Theatre, the San Antonio Museum of Art and the former Pearl Brewing Company. This is the best way to soak up the authentic atmosphere of San Antonio. Pearl District is a thriving area of urban transformation.

Some of the best restaurants here include The Boiler House and The Granary.

Overnight stay in San Antonio.

● DAY 6 · SAN ANTONIO - AUSTIN

Just over an hour away is Austin, the capital of Texas.

It's a young and very liberal city with a high quality of life. Its key industry, and biggest tourist pull, is music. The city boasts more than two hundred live music venues and plays host to world-renowned festivals such as South by Southwest and Austin City Limits. Along with Nashville, it's the music capital of the US, especially when it comes to country. And Austin has places to suit all tastes. We suggest starting off with a visit to the Capitol. Located downtown and built in 1888, it's an imposing building used to house the legislative chambers and the governor's office. Then take a stroll down Congress Avenue, lined by Victorian and Art Deco buildings, and through the Historic District. And don't forget to take a wander around the hipster haven of East Austin, a hotbed for the city's avant-garde movements and expressiveness. When it comes to museums, there's a huge choice, but one of our particular favourites is the Blanton Museum of Art (admission around nine dollars). It houses a collection of more than 18,000 works with an emphasis on Renaissance and Baroque art, with a fair amount of contemporary pieces as well. If you fancy some downtime or a bit of sport, just head to the ever-so-attractive Zilker Park. Here you'll find Barton Springs Pool (entrance about three dollars), a recreational outdoor swimming pool that is filled entirely with water from nearby natural springs and the perfect place to cool down in the sultry summer temperatures. Perry's Steakhouse & Grille and Austin Land and Cattle are the most popular places if you want to savour the world-famous Tex-Mex style, a fusion of Texas and Mexican cuisines that heavily features mouth-watering meats and jalapeño peppers. And, of course, don't forget the attraction that pulls in thousands of visitors each year: live music shows. Sixth Street is the entertainment hub of the city, brimming with music venues. It's always packed by night and the range of concerts on offer is mind-blowing. Everything closes up at two in the morning, so make sure you have time for a drink at the Midnight Cowboy, the Alamo Draffhouse Ritz or Buffalo Billiards.

Overnight stay in Austin.

● DAY 7 · AUSTIN - FORT WORTH - DALLAS

Drive for three hundred kilometres up to today's first stop, Fort Worth.

This city, nicknamed "Cowtown", shot to fame in the 19th century as a major livestock centre. Pay a visit to the Kimbell Art Museum, with free admission to its permanent exhibitions with works by Goya, Cézanne and Picasso.

What's more, you can stroll around the historic district of Stockyards, a former cattle market converted into a shopping and entertainment complex, where you can also attend a rodeo at the weekend. Even today, you can see the twice daily cattle drive (11. 30 am and 4. 00 pm).

You can also catch a rodeo at the Mesquite Rodeo Arena, half an hour from Dallas, with all the action and atmosphere typical of a true championship event (tickets around fourteen dollars). Then it's time to head back to Dallas.

Overnight stay in Dallas.

● DAY 8 · DALLAS - CITY OF ORIGIN

Arrival at the airport with enough time to drop off your rental car and flight back to the city of origin.

Night on board.

● DAY 9 · CITY OF ORIGIN

Arrival. End of the trip and our services.

Your trip includes

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- ✓ Return flight.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Houston - Texas.
- ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Dallas - Texas.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Houston - Texas.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Dallas - Texas.

✓ Stay in selected hotel in San Antonio - Texas.

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✓ Stay in selected hotel in Austin - Texas.

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✓ Rent-a-car.

Your trip doesn't include

✗ Electronic Authorization (ESTA/ETA) to enter in US.

✗ Resort fee US.

✗ Possible toll charges.

✗ Insolvency protection.

Destinations Visited

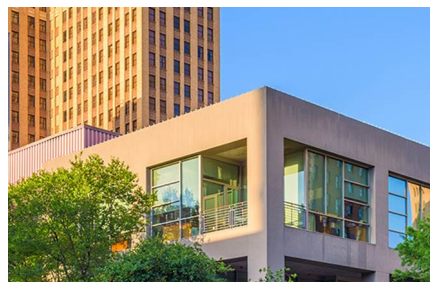
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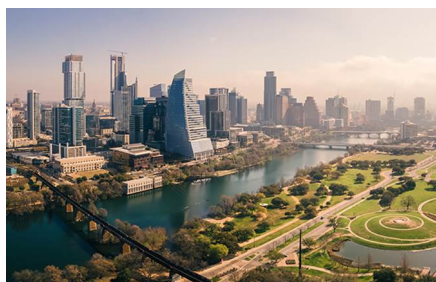
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Important remarks

- Tips in US are a common practice.

- Generally in US the accommodation in the triple rooms have two double beds or one double and one single bed and the quadruple accommodation has two double beds.

- Driving in the USA: 1.Overtaking on the right is not only legal but everyone does it. And the sooner you get used to roads with more than five lanes, the better. 2.It is legal (and mandatory) to turn right on a red light when there is a signal to do so. 3. With regard to parking, make sure you check when you can park on the street and never park in front of a fire hydrant (even though there are no signs prohibiting it). If there are lines painted on the road to mark out parking spaces, leave the car right in the middle of them, however huge the gap may seem. Be especially careful in the centre of big cities and don't let the parking meter go over by even one minute (check before paying because there are days of the week or certain times when you don't have to pay). 4.Beware of tolls. They will be indicated with the words toll or turnpike and don't usually have a barrier, so you can drive through them without realising and then receive a fine a few weeks later. Don't drive in FasTrak Only lanes and make sure you have some cash on you, as some tolls are cash-only. 5.Unless you want a ticket and a stern chat from a Highway Patrol Officer, it's best not to drive more than five or ten miles above the maximum speed allowed for the road. If the police end up stopping you, keep your hands on the steering wheel and in sight at all times and don't even think about trying to be funny. 6.We recommend signing up to roadside assistance services and a GPS when you hire a car.

- Consult the entry restrictions and additional requirements for people who have previously traveled to destinations such as Cuba, Iran, Iraq, Yemen, Syria, etc.
- Hotels may charge a Resort Fee charge that must be paid directly at the destination. The amount can vary between approximately \$15 and \$65 per room per night. This charge is indicative and may be modified depending on the establishment's policy.
- Check-in time at the hotel on the day of arrival depends on each establishment, but in no case will it be before 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated.
- The proposed excursions and tours for each day are purely suggestions, as you can tailor the trip to suit your times, tastes and needs.
- A credit card is considered a guarantee, so sometimes you will need one for check-in at hotels.
- Hotels usually have cots available. Otherwise, babies will have to share a bed with an adult.
- To pick up your rental car, you'll need a credit (not debit) card in the name of the person who made the booking, who must also be the named driver of the vehicle.
- Consult the necessary documentation to enter the destinations visited and for transit in the countries where air stopovers are made.