



Sip of the Texas III Fredericksburg, Texas

May 22 – May 26, 2024



[Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park Campground](#)

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Fredericksburg, TX 78624

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Join us in Fredericksburg, Texas for a rally you are sure to remember! You'll set up camp at Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park Campground, less than 10 minutes from downtown Fredericksburg. With so many wineries, distilleries, and breweries, unique downtown shopping, historic sites and museums, plus many outdoor opportunities, we've included ample time on your own to explore the area. This weekend is also the 2024 FREDERICKSBURG CRAWFISH FESTIVAL.

The rally begins on Wednesday with a happy hour and Charcuterie board appetizers. After a day on your own on Thursday evening will include a Poker Run with prizes, Happy Hour on the Patio, and round out the night with a Left, Right, Center Tournament. On Friday, we will board a chartered bus for a day to sip our way around the Texas Hill Country. We'll enjoy a tour, tasting, and lunch at Garrison Brothers Distillery, Texas's first legal whiskey distillery in Texas, and the first outside of Kentucky to produce authentic, handmade bourbon whiskey. Next, we'll enjoy a Private Tour, Tasting, & Charcuterie-Cheese Board at Becker Vineyard. Our group will enjoy a tour of the Estate Winery production area, six pre-selected samples of Becker Vineyards. We'll wrap up our tour day with a glass of wine (or two) at Augusta Vin and Invention Vineyards. Once back at camp, a catered meal will be provided at historic Tatsch House just a few minutes' walk from our campsites. After a day exploring all things Fredericksburg on Saturday, we will don our best 1920's costumes and enter Tatsch House once again, but this time we will be swept up in a tantalizing Murder Mystery Dinner. This will surely be a special evening and fantastic rally that you will not want to miss!

The \$280 per person rally fee provides a fun-filled chartered bus day visiting an award-winning distillery and three amazing Texas Hill Country wineries. You will enjoy a unique distillery tour and tasting, with lunch provided. At each winery, we have arranged for you to enjoy a tasting or a glass of wine. In addition, you will experience a tour of the Estate Winery production area at Becker Vineyard. Your fees also include a Wednesday Night Welcome Charcuterie table, a catered Friday night dinner, breakfast and coffee on

Saturday morning, our Murder Mystery Dinner, and a variety of door prizes. Last and most unique, each participant will receive their very own engraved Grapes & Grains flask to commemorate our time together.

To reserve your campsite, call 1-830-997-4202 and mention you are making reservations for the **Airstream Grapes & Grains Rally**. They offer great weekly rates if you want to come early or stay late. There's plenty to do in Fredericksburg!

RV Site Rates (full hookups)

\$7.00 Reserve America Reservation Fee will be assessed in addition to the fees below. The fee is non-refundable, and one reservation fee is charged for each site.

TIER ONE: Pecan Orchard Pull-thru sites: Available site 57-61 are \$80.00/day or \$354.00/week.

TIER TWO: Pecan Orchard Back in sites: Available sites 29-34, 43-50, 53-55 are \$60.00/day or \$312.00/week

Campsite Reservations are NOT included in the rally fee, and you must reserve your RV site prior to signing up for the rally.

DISCLAIMER:

Alcohol consumption has inherent risks. Alcohol consumption is voluntary at all parts of this rally. The hosts, Grapes & Grains, and ACI are not responsible for the consequences of your choices and actions. You are responsible for yourself. Attendance at group events, at the campsite or otherwise, is not mandatory for attending the rally. Have a plan to get back safely to your airstream.

ADULT ACTIVITIES:

Grapes & Grains events are specifically centered around the responsible consumption of alcoholic beverages, which is considered an adult activity. These events will include visiting wineries, breweries, brew pubs and distilleries, which may require visitors to be of legal drinking age (21 years of age or older). Grapes & grains reserves the right to not allow anyone under the age of 21 to participate in any or all activities at a Grapes & Grains event.

REFUND/CANCELLATION POLICY:

Members who cancel after being registered for any event will forfeit any third-party non-refundable fees incurred by Grapes & Grains (G&G) or the event sponsor including but not limited to reservation fees, processing fees, site cancellation fees, prepaid excursion, tour, entertainment, and event fees. Any member/registrant who cancels within 30 days of the Rally start date will forfeit any prepaid rally fees and depending on the venue, potential RV site fees. Regardless of the reason or cause, if the timeliness of cancellation of your attendance does not allow G&G or it's Host(s) to find replacement attendees or obtain refunds from any of the vendors or providers, a refund will not be made, and forfeiture of those costs will be incurred by the canceling member.

If Grapes & Grains should cancel a rally or event, all fees paid by any member/registrant will be refunded.

This Grapes & Grains refund policy is premised on the concept that the Intra-Club should neither profit from nor subsidize the cost of any member or registrant who cancels after registering for a G&G sponsored or hosted rally or event. We understand that circumstances arise where a cancellation may be necessary, and every effort will be made to minimize the financial impact on both the Intra-Club and the member/registrant.

Any member/registrant who does not agree with a refund decision made by the organizers of a G&G sponsored event may appeal that decision to the G&G Executive Board by filing a written appeal request, including the reasons for a reversal of the refund decision, within 30 days of the original refund decision.

Nearest Hospital/Emergency Room:

Methodist Hospital / Hill Country
1020 S State Hwy 16
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
(830) 997-4353

Nearest Urgent Care:

Methodist Physicians Hill Country Immediate Care
1031 S State Hwy 16
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
(830) 992-2820

Nearest Veterinary Clinic:

Pedernales Veterinary Center
3187 US-290
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
(830) 997-9889



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A rally of the ACI's Grapes & Grains Intra-Club



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Hosts: Mike and Tammy VanBuskirk

All times approximate

To reduce waste, please bring your own table setting to happy hours.

Wednesday May 22 - Arrival

- **1:00pm** – Earliest check-in time
- **5:00pm** – Happy Hour @ the Fire Pit (Site 57)
 - Welcome packets and review agenda.
 - Bring your beverage of choice.
 - Charcuterie board appetizers will be provided.
- **6:00pm** – Dinner on your own at one of the many [Fredericksburg Restaurants](#)

Thursday, May 23 - Day on your own

- **8:30am** – Coffee and donuts around the fire pit

Spend the day exploring Fredericksburg. See the list below of ways to enjoy all Fredericksburg has to offer.

- **5:30pm** - Happy Hour at the Tatsch House Patio
 - Bring a chair, your own beverage, and an appetizer to share.
 - Poker Run and LRC (Left, Right, Center Game) Tournament
- **Dinner** on your own

Friday, May 24 (*all activities included in rally fee*)

- **9:15am** – Our chartered Bus departs.
- **10:00am –12:30pm** [Garrison Brothers Distillery](#)
 - Experience this distillery tasting and tour where you'll hear the history behind Garrison Brothers and learn how the best bourbon on the planet is made from grain to glass.
 - After the tour, grab a drink from the bar and enjoy the Texas Hill Country. Don't like bourbon? They do offer cold wine, beer, and water through an honor box.

- We will then enjoy a real Texas BBQ Lunch at the Distillery.
- **12:45pm – 2:45pm** – [Becker Vineyards](#) Private Tour, Tasting, & Charcuterie-Cheese Board. Our group will enjoy a tour of the Estate Winery production area, six pre-selected samples of Becker Vineyards wine, and a Charcuterie-Cheese board to enjoy!
- We will incorporate a stop as we pass the campground for those who need to check on their pets.
- **3:30pm – 4:30 pm** [Invention Vineyards](#).
 - Their collection offers a wide selection of traditional varietals and imagined blends, appealing to the novice or wine aficionado.
 - We will purchase a variety of wines to sample.
- **4:30pm – 6:00 pm** [Augusta Vin](#)
 - Augusta Vin’s mission is to set a new standard for the Texas Hill Country winery. They will captivate you with superior hospitality and an unparalleled ambiance accentuated by their lush gardens and breathtaking natural views. Pairing this atmosphere with a spectacular selection of wines, they aim to provide an experience that will have you visiting for years to come.
 - We will purchase bottles of wine for you to enjoy while taking in the views of the beautiful Texas Hill Country.
- **6:30pm – 7:00pm** Catered Dinner at the Tatsch House
 - Bring a beverage of your choice.
- **7:00pm** – Games after dinner

Saturday, May 25- Day on your own

- **8:30am – 9:30am** - Coffee and breakfast tacos at the Tatsch House

Daytime suggested activities (Also see list below):

- Explore the many [Fredericksburg Wineries](#)
- [290 Wine Shuttle](#) As the ONLY wine shuttle service in Fredericksburg, Texas, they will take you several wineries in a day. With pick-ups at each winery every 15 minutes, 290 Wine Shuttle is the most convenient, affordable, and fun way to enjoy Texas wine country! Make reservations if you a planning to use this service on Saturday.

- **6:00pm – 9:00pm** - 1920's Murder Mystery Dinner at the Historic Tatsch House (included in rally fees). Character information will be sent out a few weeks before the rally. Come dressed in your best 1920's attire. Prizes for the best dressed, best character actor, and the best detective (the first to identify the murderer).

Sunday, May 26 – Departure Day

- **8:30am** – Coffee and donuts at the rally host campsite site 57
- **12:00am** – Check out time. Cheers and see you down the road!

Spend Time Experiencing Fredericksburg

Join us in the Texas hill country to enjoy some of the most award-winning wines in the country. We will be camping at The Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park Campground located just 3 miles south of downtown Fredericksburg. With easy access to the 290 Wine Trail, a collection of [over 30 wineries](#), vineyards, and tasting rooms conveniently located along scenic US Hwy 290. This trail is more than a highway of wineries—it is truly an experience. Each winery along the trail offers a unique atmosphere and specialty, from live music to full-service restaurants to unforgettable scenery. You will have the opportunity to experience distilleries, wineries, and breweries all within 15 minutes of our campground. Historic downtown Fredericksburg is just 3 miles north and offers unique shopping and many restaurants to enjoy. If you are an outdoor enthusiast, Enchanted Rock State Park is a 30 min drive from the RV Park.

Some Suggestions if you are going to arrive early or stay late.

- Watch the bats emerge from the Old Tunnel State Park, tickets required.
[Old Tunnel State Park — Texas Parks & Wildlife Department](#)

Daytime suggested activities:

- [FREDERICKSBURG CRAWFISH FESTIVAL 2024](#) 2024 The Annual Jaycees' Fredericksburg Crawfish Festival returns to Downtown Marktplatz, Fredericksburg, Texas, Memorial Day Weekend, May 26-28, 2023. The festival will feature activities for the whole family including lots of great Cajun food, live music, shopping, and fun for the young and young at heart! The Sweetwater Jaycees return with their live snake exhibit!
- No visit to Fredericksburg would be complete without a stop at the [National Museum of the Pacific War \(pacificwarmuseum.org\)](#). Dedicated to all those who served in the Pacific War, the museum has expanded and gone under expansive renovation over the last 10 years to make it the world's premier museum about World War II's Pacific Theater. In 2020, it was recognized as the fifth-best history museum in the United States by *USA Today* readers.
- Enjoy a short hike to the top of [Cross Mountain Park](#) located on the outskirts of Fredericksburg. Cross Mountain is located on a historic marl and limestone hill with an elevation of 1951 ft. It was used as an Indian lookout prior to early settlers. In 1847 during the settling of Fredericksburg a timber cross was found on the hilltop. Early Fredericksburg pioneers gave this hill the name “Kreuzberg” or Cross Mountain.

- Visit [Ft. Martin Scott](#) In 1936, the former army installation was transformed into a Texas Historical Site. It was recorded under marker 10039, and on 20th January 1980, it was incorporated as one of the Historical destinations in Texas in the National Register.
- Explore [Enchanted Rock State Park](#). Reservations are required.
- Take a trip through time at [Lyndon B. Johnson State Park & Historic Site](#)
- If you like flowers, visit [Wild Seed Farms](#) or the [Fredericksburg Nature Center](#) located at the Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park
- Shopping in [Downtown Fredericksburg](#)
- Thursdays are less crowded and a great time to try the many [Fredericksburg Wineries](#) along Hwy 290.
- We have a trip planned for Garrison Brothers Distillery on Friday, but if one distillery isn't enough, try some of the other [Fredericksburg distilleries](#).
 - [Dietz Distillery - Fredericksburg, Texas](#) Dietz Distillery is a small artisan distillery practicing old world distilling techniques where consumers will learn about the process and history of alcohol distillation as well as explore the expansive world of spirits and how they have come together to make the cocktails we know and love.
 - [Elk Store Winery and Distillery located in Fredericksburg](#) For those looking for a distillery experience on Main Street, Elk Store Winery & Distillery is a must. Elk Store Winery & Distillery produces small-batch moonshine, gin, rum, and whiskey from a one-of-a-kind handmade Kentucky copper still. While at the distillery you can enjoy tasting the small-batch liquors, handmade cocktails, wines from across the world and gourmet small plates.
 - [Iron Goat Distillery](#) is a craft distillery that is family and veteran owned. Their spirits, including award-winning rum, agave spirit and honey spirit, are fermented and distilled in a 50-gallon pot still. Find them located inside of Grand Central at Milam, just two blocks north of Main St.
 - [Modisett & Sons](#) brings the classic qualities of scotch to Texas by following traditional Scottish distillation methods. To ensure the highest quality, they utilize Scottish copper pot stills and premium malted barley. Being aged in second run American Oak barrels in the Texas climate sets Modisett & Sons apart from all other single

malt whiskies. At the tasting room visitors can enjoy a glass of single malt neat, on the rocks or in one of their signature cocktails.

- If you need your brewery fix, try these [Breweries and Brewpubs](#).
 - The oldest and most acclaimed brewpub in Texas, [Fredericksburg Brewing Company](#) is a staple in downtown Fredericksburg. Located on Main Street, here you'll find six different beers on tap including award-winning ales with seasonal specialty brews and German-style lagers, and a full German menu in the restaurant.
 - One of Fredericksburg's newest attractions, [Altstadt Brewery](#), is an authentic Bavarian brewery dedicated to creating the purest easy-drinking beers guided by the historic German purity law of 1516. Altstadt's premium German-style beers are made using only four ingredients - hops, barley, yeast and artesian spring water. The 120-acre property located just outside of Fredericksburg features a restaurant, brewery tours and more.
 - [Bluemont Vineyard & Brewery](#) is centrally located on the Hwy. 290 corridor in Stonewall. In addition to serving Texas wine, Bluemont serves craft beer and hard cider. The brewery serves beer by the pint and in flights. Brewery tours are available at 1 p.m., 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. and are \$15, which includes the tour and a tasting.
 - [Fat Ass Ranch & Brewery](#) serves 100% Texas wines and beers. Each tasting consists of a curated collection of four 4-ounce Texas brews or five award-winning Texas wines, and you get to keep your souvenir glass. Beer tastings are \$10. Wine tastings are \$15.
 - [Ogle Brewery](#) opened in 2022 and is part of the Arch Ray Resort. The brewery typically has six beers on tap at a time and offerings rotate.
- They even have a cidery if you are looking for something different [Hye Cider Company | A Local Texas Cidery](#)
- Take a short 20-minute drive to historic [Luckenbach Texas](#) for a cold beer and some live music.