

Highland Lakes in Central Texas:

Lake Buchanan, Inks Lake, Lake LBJ, Lake Marble Falls, Lake Travis and Lake Austin.



Lake Buchanan - Is the second largest of the Highland Lakes in Central Texas with a length of 30 miles and a width at the widest point of just under 5 miles. Lake Buchanan has a shoreline of 124 miles. When it was built, Buchanan Dam was considered to be the longest multiple-arch dam in the U.S. with a length of just over two miles. The lake is very popular with boaters, fishermen, campers and swimmers. The lake is so large that you will never feel crowded. The annual Lake Buchanan Regatta and Dam Jam is held at Cedar Lodge each April. Dozens of boats participate in the regatta and live music is performed by artists coming to Lake Buchanan from over 1,000 miles to participate in the event. Lake Buchanan is located 60 miles northwest of Austin and 95 miles north of San Antonio. It is about 200 miles south of Dallas and Fort Worth and 200 miles west of Houston.



Inks Lake - Located 55 miles northwest of Austin, Texas on Highway 29, Inks Lake is the next lake down the Colorado River from Lake Buchanan. It starts just a short distance from the base of Buchanan Dam. With a length of 4.2 miles and a width of 3,000 feet, Inks Lake is the shortest of the first four lakes but is also one of the prettiest. The boating and water skiing are fantastic on Inks Lake. The State Park is a 1,200 acre panorama of cedar and oak woodlands and offers swimming, boating, fishing, hiking, and BBQing. Inks Lake is well-known for its bass, crappie and catfish. Highland Lakes Public Golf Club is a 9 Hole, Public Course, located on Inks Lake on Park Road 4 a few minutes south of Hwy 29. This course is only about a 15 minute drive from Burnet and 20 minutes from Marble Falls, Texas. The lake is also well known for it's 7.5 miles of hiking trails.



Lake LBJ - Lake LBJ, named after President Lyndon B. Johnson, starts at Kingsland and goes all of the way to Horseshoe Bay, 45 miles northwest of Austin. Lake LBJ is one of the largest normally at constant level lake in the United States, and is just over 21 miles long with a maximum width of 10,800 feet. Lake LBJ is perfect for sailing, boating, waterskiing, jetskiing, and all water related activities. Tourists are attracted from all over Texas and the U.S. to take advantage of this big beautiful lake.

Lake Marble Falls - Lake Marble Falls is the 4th lake in the Highland Lakes string of lakes on the Colorado River in the Central Texas Hill Country. Lake Marble Falls is a normally constant level lake and is popular for boating, and waterskiing. It is 5.75 miles long and 1,080 feet wide in the widest area. The annual Cigarette Boat Race is hosted on Lake Marble Falls in the town of Marble Falls. Lake Marble Falls is located at the booming town of Marble Falls about 45 miles northwest of Austin. It can be reached from Austin by driving out Highway 71 and then north on Highway 281, or by going west on Highway 1431 out of Cedar Park on the north edge of Austin.



Lake Travis - Lake Travis has the largest storage capacity of the seven reservoirs known as the Highland Lakes, and stretches 65 miles (105 km) upriver from western Travis County in a highly serpentine course into southern Burnet County to Max Starcke Dam, southwest of the town of Marble Falls. The Pedernales River, a major tributary of the Colorado River, flows into the lake from the southwest in western Travis County. The lake is used for flood control, water supply, electrical power generation and recreation. Because of its volume, the lake serves as the primary flood control reservoir of the Highland Lake chain. The level of the lake can therefore vary dramatically, depending on the amount of rainfall in the Colorado River basin upstream. Despite this, the lake furnishes one of the most desired locations in the region for outdoor recreation, including fishing, boating, swimming, scuba diving, picnicking, camping, and zip lining. Lake Travis is generally considered one of the clearest lakes in Texas. It is a vital water supply for the nearby city of Austin, Texas and the surrounding metropolitan area.

Lake Austin - Lake Austin is the sixth lake down in the chain of Highland Lakes on the Colorado River in Central Texas. The lake starts at the Mansfield Dam and ends at the Tom Miller Dam in the city of Austin. Lake Austin has high cliffs in places along the shore of the lake which provide shelter from the wind for the best in boating activities. The cliffs are dotted with expensive homes overlooking the lake.



Lady Bird Lake - A seventh lake, which is not considered a part of the Highland Lakes chain, is Lady Bird Lake in Austin. Lady Bird Lake (formerly known as Town Lake) is in the city of Austin, Texas. Lady Bird Lake runs between Riverside Drive and 1st Street in the downtown area of Austin. Interstate I-35 goes over Lady Bird Lake as you are driving through Austin. Lady Bird Lake is 6 miles long and from 400 feet to 2,500 feet wide at it widest point and has an average depth of 14 feet. Lady Bird Lake is just downstream from Lake Austin on the Colorado River. Lady Bird Lake is a placid lake and is a constant level lake, ideal for canoeing. Swimming, motorized boats and jet skis are not allowed in Lady Bird Lake. Tourists and local residents enjoy canoeing on Lady Bird Lake. You can take a nice long walk or do a little jogging along the trails beside the lake.



A trip to Austin wouldn't be complete without walking or running along Lady Bird Lake Hike and Bike Trail. Located in the heart of the city, this 10-mile off-road trail is Austin's crown jewel. Here, city officials and luminaries jog alongside locals - it's hard not to fall in love with the lush scenery and gorgeous skyline views.

While at the lake, you can also kayak, canoe or try your luck at stand-up paddle boarding. Stand up paddle boarding is the fastest growing water sport in the world and has become a must-do for active Austinites. The latest twist? Try stand-up paddle-board yoga from SUP ATX. For something a little more leisurely, kayak, canoe, sailboat and paddleboard rentals are available at various spots along the trail.

Central Texas Highland Lakes

Marinas on the North Side of Lake Travis

Point Venture

Point Venture Marina

Address: 350 Venture Blvd., Leander, Texas 78645 Phone: (512) 267-1128 for boat slip availability By Boat: Between lake mile markers 16 & 17, just past Dink Pearson Park Comments: Private, open only to residents. Wet slips for powerboats. Fuel dock and restrooms.

<u>Lago Vista</u>

Lago Vista POA Marina

Comments: Private homeowner's association marina with 142 slips. 60-foot fishing well.

Rock Marina

Address: 17301 Whippoorwill Trail, Lago Vista Phone: (512) 267-1680 By Boat: Near lake mile marker Comments: Wet slips only. Very small, No additional services.

Waterford Marina

Address: 2015 Westwater Court, Lago Vista, TX 78645 Phone: (325)718-2170

<u>Jonestown</u>

Easy Street Marina (formerly Dutchman's Landing) Address: 17900 Easy Street, Jonestown, Texas 78645 Phone: (512) 267-4289 By Boat: Near the end of the Sandy Creek arm; the entrance to Sandy Creek is at lake mile marker 7.

Liquid Thrillz Boat Rentals

info@liquidthrillz.com Phone: (512) 843-1233 Comments: We deliver boats to Lake Travis and LBJ!

<u>Volente</u>

Sandy Creek Marina

Address: Lime Creek Road, Volente Phone: (512) 336-8939 By Boat: Up Sandy Creek arm (entrance at lake mile marker 7); next to Café Bleu Comments: Large wet slips, popular for live-aboard houseboats.

Dodd Street Dock

Address: 16209 Dodd Street, Volente, TX 78641 Phone: (512) 258-0811 By Boat. Near the entrance of the Sandy Creek arm (mile marker 7); around the corner (tucked in a cove) from VIP Marina and Volente Beach *Comments: Wet slips & dry storage for sailboats only; ramp.*

Volente VIP Marina (formerly VIP Marina at Volente Beach)

Address: 16107 FM 2769, Leander, Texas 78641 Phone: (512) 331-5375 By Boat: At the mouth of the Sandy Creek arm, at mile marker 7; directly across from Starnes Island and in front of Volente Beach Waterpark. Comments: 148 Covered wet slips, up to 80 feet in length. Ship's store and deli, fuel dock, restrooms and pump-out station. Watercraft rentals onsite. Volente Beach Water Park with snack bar onsite.

Cypress Creek Marina

Address: RR 2769 (Volente Rd), Leander, Texas 78641 Phone: (512) 250-9880 By Boat: Near the end of the Cypress Creek arm; the entrance to Cypress Creek is just before lake mile marker 6, around the corner from Bob Wentz Park at Windy Point (which is at mile marker 5). Comments: Boat launch.

Highland Lakes Marina

Address: 16120 Wharf Cove, Volente Phone: (512) 258-9662 By Boat: Near lake mille marker 6, up Mack's Canyon Creek (just past the Cypress Creek arm) Comments: Uncovered wet slips for sailboats. Dry stack and covered/uncovered wet slips for power boats.

Riviera Marina

Address: 14297 FM 2769 (Volente Rd), Leander, Texas 78641 Phone: (512) 250-832 By Boat: Up the Cypress Creek arm; the entrance to Cypress Creek is just before lake mile marker 6 *Comments: Covered/uncovered wet slips for powerboat and sailboats, Drystack for powerboats.*

Anderson Mill Marina

Address: FM 2769 (Volente Rd), Volente Phone: (512) 258-5771 By Boat: Up the Cypress Creek arm; the entrance to Cypress Creek is just before lake mile marker 6.

Marinas on the South Side of Lake Travis

Austin - Hudson Bend Area

West Beach Marina on Lake Travis Address: 17317 West Beach Road, Austin, TX 78734 Phone: (S12) 266-2277 By Boat: At the north end of Hudson Bend Comments: Boat slip rentals, boat storage and boat ramp (for marina members only), most convenient Lake Travis marina.

Marshall Ford Marina

Address: 12816 Park Drive, Austin, Texas 78732 Phone: (512) 266-1559 By Boat A mile and a half from the dam, between lake mile markers 1 and 2, in Defeat Hollow; just before Tom Hughes Park Comments: Full service marina Gasoline & marine supplies. Wet slips and dry stack storage available.

Commander's Point Yacht Basin

Address: 4600 Commanders Point Drive, Austin Phone: (512) 266-2333 By Boat: Between lake mile markers 4 and 5; at the entrance to the first cove past Mansfield Dam Park *Comments: Wet slips only; fuel and pump-out station; one of the few marinas* with diesel fuel.

Lake Travis Marina/U-Flote-M

Address: 6410 Hudson Bend Rd, Austin Phone: (512) 266-2624 By Boat: Just before lake mile marker 7, on the west side, directly across from Starnes Island *Comments: Leased and owned covered wet slips for powerboats, 20 to 50 feet in length. Electric, water, phone and cable available. Fuel dock, pump-out station and ship's store.*

Emerald Point Marina

Address: 5973 Hiline Road, Austin, Texas 78734 Phone: (512) 266-1535 By Boat: Near lake mile marker 9, just before Carlos'N Charlies restaurant Comments: Covered wet slips for powerboats plus a 340-slot covered, enclosed dry stack. Slips come with or without electricity, water, and cable. Slips range from 20 to 60 feet, and can accommodate houseboats. Exclusive dealer for Hydrohoist boatlifts, offering sales, installation and rentals. Eriksen Marine located onsite. Next door to Carlos'N Charlies restaurant.

Paradise Cove Marina

Address: 17141 Rocky Ridge Road, Austin, Texas 78734 Phone: (512) 266-8006 By Boat: Near lake mile marker 10 Comments: Covered powerboat slips, uncovered and T-head slips for sailboats. Water/power/cable at each slip, restroom & shower facilities, private park & swimming beach, trailer storage, and more.

<u> Austin - Lakeway Area</u>

Sail & Ski Yacht Club (formerly Lake Travis Yacht Harbor)

Address: 16406 Stewart Road, Austin Phone: (512) 266-2507 By Boat: Located up the Hurst Creek arm; the entrance to Hurst Creek is near lake mile marker 14 (near Graveyard Point) Comments: Wet (covered and uncovered) and dry slips for powerboats and sailboats. Sailboat slips up to 42 ft long, covered slips to 34 feet. Dry dock up to 36,000 lbs. Restrooms and showers, pump-out station.

Hurst Harbor Marina

Address: 16405 Marina Point, Austin, Texas 78734 Phone: (512) 266-1800 By Boat: Located up the Hurst Creek arm (further in than Yacht Harbor): the

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<u>Lakeway</u>

Lakeway Marina

Address: 103 Lakeway Dr, Lakeway, TX 78734, Austin, Texas 78734 Phone: (512) 261-7511 By Boat: Located in a cove in Lakeway, between lake mile markers 16 and 17 (closer to 16) *Comments: Permanent or daily slip rentals. Full service repair facility. Ship's store and fuel dock. Watercraft rentals and charters available onsite.*

Rough Hollow Yacht Club & Marina

Address: 42 Waterfront Avenue Dock, Lakeway, Texas 78734 (located in the private Rough Hollow development) By Boat: Located in Rough Hollow cove, at lake mile marker 18.

Briarcliff

Briarcliff Marina

Address: 406 Sleat Drive, Briarcliff, Texas 78669 Phone: (512) 264-2666 By Boat: Up Cat Hollow, which is just before lake mile marker 26 Comments: 100+ Wet slips. Ship store, fuel dock, pump-out station, electricity and water, restrooms. Gated access. Located in a large cove well beyond the No Wake buoys. Adjacent to a great restaurant – the Lakehouse Café.

Spicewood

Ridge Harbor Yacht Club

Address: Spicewood, Texas 78669 Phone: (512) 693-2800 By Boat: Between lake mile markers 45 and 46, just past Muleshoe Primitive Area and across from Turkey Bend Primitive Area Comments: Fuel dock, pump-out station, restrooms.

Resort Ranch Marina

Address: 1300 N. Pace Bend Rd, Spicewood, Texas 78669 Phone: (512) 264-2533

Siesta Shores Marina

Address: 806 Bay Circle, Spicewood, Texas 78669 Phone: (512) 367-8800 By Boat: Located between lake mile markers 19 and 20

Bee Creek Marina

Address: 12716 Dakota Ln, Spicewood, Texas 78669 Phone: (512) 335-8703

Lake Austin Marinas

Lake Austin Marina

Address: 2215 Westlake Drive, Austin, Texas 78746 Phone: 512.329.6640 Located near the Tom Miller Dam on the west shore of Lake Austin, the Lake Austin Marina is Austin's premier full-service marina and office park. *Comments: 168 boat slips of varying sizes and features, as well as a Ship Store, on-site mechanical services, and boat detailing.*





Lake Travis is probably the most visited of the Highland Lakes because of its proximity to Austin. Its location and size make it a popular destination for aquatic sport enthusiasts, including boating, fishing, swimming and even scuba diving. Lake Travis is perfect for those seeking a more active environment and plenty to do, including waterside dining and plenty of activities for adults and kids, as well as easy access to the Austin amenities.

Parasailing

Every human dreams of flying, and parasailing is one of the easiest ways to make those dreams come true. When you are craving a warm breeze and scenic views, head over to Lake Travis for a parasailing adventure with your closest friends or your neighbors from the surrounding community and neighborhoods. More than one company traverses Lake Travis with skilled and experienced parasailing attendants that will send you flying for several minutes at a time. Snap some photos, or simply take in the beautiful Hill Country that surrounds you.

Fishing

If angling is your passion, Lake Travis is your paradise. Just minutes away from your Hill Country retreat in our beautiful community is a lake full of largemouth bass, catfish and Guadalupe bass. You can explore the waters yourself or use a local fishing guide to learn the ropes on the Lake Travis waters.

Water Parks

The water parks at Lake Travis are perhaps one of the best kept secrets in the Austin area. Granite Beach Water Park is open every weekend of the summer inside a protected cove. Both adults and children can play on the park's water trampoline, slides and other attractions, and lifeguards are always on duty for safety. Another water park, Shore Club Volente Beach, is a more traditional water park with slides, lagoons and children's play areas.

Boating, Kayaking and Jet Skiing

Because Lake Travis is one of the largest in Texas, it is no wonder it is such a popular destination for boating, kayaking and jet skiing. Rent your favorite watercraft from a local vendor, or bring your own. For a real treat while you're out on the water, be sure to take a ride under the famous Pennybacker Bridge before heading back to shore.

Zip Lining

For the adventurous at heart, zip lining is the ultimate Lake Travis experience. At Lake Travis Zip Line Adventures, you can soar across five zip lines – one of which is more than 2,000 feet long! You will launch off of a cliff that is 20 stories high, and an experienced tour guide will be there with you every step of the way.

Swimming

In addition to its size, Lake Travis is well known for being one of the clearest lakes in Texas too. In fact, it is a primary water sources for the city of Austin, so many consider it to be an ideal spot to take a dip on a hot Texas summer day. Swimming 'holes' are located all around the lake, but some are particularly interesting, such as the clothing-optional Hippie Hollow Park.

Scuba Diving

Scuba diving in central Texas? Why not? Scuba charters like those through Lake Travis Scuba are available to let you explore some of the most popular dive sites Lake Travis has to offer. Take a daytime, sunset or nighttime dive to Wreck Alley or the Oasis Wall. Instructional dives are also available for the novice scuba enthusiast.

Picnicking

As beautiful as your home in Spanish Oaks will be, sometimes you want to get outside and enjoy all that nature has to offer. What better way than taking your family on a picnic to Lake Travis? Dine from the edge of the water in one of the public parks that surround Lake Travis, such as the Mansfield Dam Park. When you are done, be sure to bring your bikes from home to check out some of the trails that run alongside the lake.

Camping

Camping areas are located all over Lake Travis, although you will need a permit to sleep under the stars. Best of all, if you decide that outdoor living isn't right for you, you and your crew are never far from your own bed back at home in our luxury Austin community.



Lake Travis is 40.4% full as of 2015-05-19



	Date	Percent Full	Water Level (ft)	Height Above Conservation Pool (ft)	Reservoir Storage (acre-ft)	Conservation Storage (acre-ft)	Conservation Capacity (acre-ft)	Surface Area (acres)
Today	2015-05-19	40.4	633.37	-47.63	471,491	449,883	1,113,348	9,662
Yesterday	2015-05-18	40.0	632.93	-48.07	467,253	445,645	1,113,348	9,600
2 days ago	2015-05-17	39.1	631.88	-49.12	457,250	435,642	1,113,348	9,453
1 week ago	2015-05-12	37.8	630.31	-50.69	442,575	420,967	1,113,348	9,238
1 month ago	2015-04-19	36.5	628.70	-52.30	427,872	406,264	1,113,348	9,030
3 months ago	2015-02-19	34.1	625.74	-55.26	401,689	380,081	1,113,348	8,657
6 months ago	2014-11-19	31.3	622.00	-59.00	370,140	348,532	1,113,348	8,205
1 year ago	2014-05-19	33.6	625.10	-55.90	396,174	374,566	1,113,348	8,579

There's a reason Austin is often ranked one of the fittest cities in the country. From cycling to stand-up paddle boarding, water-biking to leisurely canoe-paddling - Austin offers an abundance of outdoor activities. And with 300 days of sunshine and an average temperature of 68 degrees, being active in Austin comes naturally.

