

**Crystal River Inn**  
326 W. Hopkins  
396-3739  
crystalriverinn.com

**Bella Vista Carriage House**  
Martindale  
357-2193

**Paradise on the River**  
Martindale  
754-1851  
marilisa.com/  
vacationrental.htm

**The Playhouse at River Dance**  
Fentress  
(512) 488-0273

**Caroll & Robbie Wiley**  
407 Oakwood Lane  
754-0045

**97) Dress up as Someone Else**  
Costumed Occasions  
150 S. LBJ Drive  
754-7000  
costumedoccasions.com

Pick up a costume for any occasion along with accessories, wigs, tiaras & tattoos.

**98) Meet an Elf at Rivendell**  
Rivendell Restaurant & Gardens  
817 Chestnut  
392-8733

Are you a fan of the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy? Or just an admirer of healthy food prepared fresh? Either way, make sure to include lunch at Rivendell part of your San Marcos experience. Located in an old home just west of the Texas State campus, the restaurant features Hobbit murals and menu items reflective of J.R.R. Tolkien's Middle Earth, including their famous Elf Rolls.

**99) Try a Retro Treat**  
Centerpoint General Store  
IH-35 S. & Centerpoint Rd  
392-1103  
centerpointstation.com

Open Mondays through Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Have a seat at the soda bar or relax at the picnic tables and plan your trip to the outlet mall located just across the highway. Cool off with a cool drink from the "old-time" soda fountain, then wander on back and take a gander at antiques and collectibles, Texana goods, and some just plain "party" stuff. You'll be real glad you did

**100) Grab a Bite**

Hungry yet? Never fear. There are plenty of places to dine out locally, whether you're in the mood for a fancy sit-down meal, burger, pizza, Mexican, Italian or Chinese food or take-out.



San Marcos Skate Park

**101) Skate Your Heart Out**

San Marcos Skate Park  
West Hopkins (behind Army Reserve)

The 10,000 square foot park opened last month. It features concrete ramps, walls, rails and stairs.

Free admission, open during daytime hours.

**102) Enjoy Texas BBQ**

Texans are well-known for our barbecue skills. Of course, each chef has his or

her own particular ingredients and smoking methods.

For some of San Marcos' best, try out these local barbecue specialists:

**Fuschaks Pit BBQ**  
IH-35 1701 IH-35  
353-2712

**Southwest Market BBQ**  
2601 Hunter Road  
353-0837

**The Branding Iron**  
3939 IH-35 S  
396-7004



Three Dudes Winery

**103) The Fruit of the Vine**

**Three Dudes Winery**  
19577 San Marcos Hwy.  
(Hwy.80)  
512.392.7044  
threedudeswinery.com

Three Dudes Winery, Vineyard and Pavilion Tasting Room are located along the San Marcos River just south of town. Open Tuesdays through Sundays, noon to 6 p.m.

**104) Strutt Your Mutt Mutt Strutt**

River Ridge Park  
353-4745

Held each April, Mutt Strutt is a one-mile walk for people and their pets. Proceeds benefit the San Marcos Animal Shelter's spay and neuter program.

**105) Sip a Cool One The Courtyard at Palmer's**

218 Moore  
353-3500  
Enjoy a late afternoon

Margarita in the best courtyard in town at Palmer's (corner of Hutchison and Ranch Road 12). Palmer's features the best of the new and the old. If you are looking for an alternative to the fast food or chain restaurants along the interstate, come into town and enjoy Palmer's.

**106) Do Lunch**

Charles S. Cock House  
Corner of Hopkins and CM Allen Parkway in Veramendi Plaza Park  
392-9997

Open Fridays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Closed the month of August. A local tradition of the Heritage Association with community-wide volunteer support, the Cottage Kitchen has served lunch most Fridays for 22 years.

The house, built in 1867, has become a Registered Historic Landmark and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

**107) Take the Bus Public Transit**

353-4768  
ci.san-marcos.tx.us

Leave the driving (and buying gas) to someone else. Air conditioned buses will transport you to factory shops, Texas State, to the downtown shops & historic districts, Aquarena Center and Wonder World. Going to a crowded area where parking is difficult? Just ride the

trolley.



Zedler Mill Paddling Trail

**108) Paddler Further Down the River**

**Zedler Mill**  
Luling  
tpwd.state.tx.us/paddling-trails

The state's first inland paddling trail has been opened in Luling. The six-mile stretch of the San Marcos River runs from U.S. Hwy. 90 to Zedler Mill.

**109) Look Ma, No Wires!**

Wireless Internet service is becoming increasingly available throughout downtown San Marcos and at the Public Library.

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