

RESORT GUIDE



THE STORY OF WAHWAHTAYSEE RESORT

Wahwahtaysee Resort was started by a local Austin family. Soon after purchasing the property, they learned that the Tonkawa Indians, a friendly tribe who got along well with everyone, previously inhabited the land. The Tonkawa Indians would spend their days fishing in the San Marcos River and picking pecans from the pecan trees along the river. The first time the Dillard families all camped together, the property was surrounded by fireflies at dusk. They soon named the property Wahwahtaysee Resort, which is Native American for "firefly."

From their first time visiting the property, the Dillard family knew it was a special place; one they wished to share with their children, friends, acquaintances, and soon-to-be friends for generations to come. Their vision was to create a local getaway for their family and friends to experience the great outdoors, while providing all the comforts and luxuries of a five-star resort. After a safari in South Africa, the Dillard family decided that safari tents would perfectly encapsulate the look and feel they wished to create. Guests would enjoy the incredible experience of spending the night in a tent in the middle of nature, with all the comforts of a luxury hotel.



THE SANCTUARY TENT

CHECK-IN IS AT 3:00PM AND CHECK-OUT IS AT 10:00AM.

If you would like a later check-out time, please contact us and we will see if it is possible.

Guests must have all their belongings removed from the tent and the golf cart returned and charging by 10:00am.



Cooking supplies – 12" cast iron skillet, kitchen utensils, salt, pepper, olive oil, balsamic vinegar, marshmallow roasting sticks, BBQ tools, bottle and wine opener.

Under the kitchen sink you will find cleaning supplies, a first-aid kit, band-aids, a fire extinguisher, grilling lighter, flashlight, and dish drying rack.

On the shelves you'll find plates, bowls, cups, wine glasses, coffee mugs, cutting board, colander and a salad bowl.

Please try to keep your food wrapped up and off of the floor to prevent ants. Dog food included.

Brooms are under the beds.

 \bigcirc The water is safe to drink if you would like.

KITCHEN

COFFEE & TEA

We have a French Press, instant hot water maker, ground coffee and tea options. Now, we know not everyone knows how to operate a French Press, so we left some instructions next to it if you need some help.

Smart TV: We are in the process of adding Wi-Fi capabilities to the property, but it is not yet available. It is definitely a great opportunity to disconnect and enjoy the beautiful setting. Each tent is equipped with a TV and an antenna which allows you to view the local channels. You can also use a Hot Spot to access Netflix from the TV.

AC/Heater: A remote is located on the living room wall, next to the unit, that will allow you to control the air conditioning and heat. **Instructions: Turn power** on, choose mode cool or heat, and set to your desired temperature with the up and down arrows. You should see the temperature on the front of the unit lit up in blue. To save electricity, we encourage that you turn off the AC or heater if not needed when you leave the tent.

Accessories: Inside the tent you will find a Bluetooth speaker and record player. You will have to pair your phone to the speaker using Bluetooth. There is also a deck of cards and games.



IF YOU GET COLD AT NIGHT, THERE ARE OUTDOOR BLANKETS IN A BASKET IN YOUR ROOM. NEED AN EXTRA BED? IN FRONT OF THE KING BED, YOU WILL FIND A TRUNK CONTAINING BLANKETS AND PILLOWS FOR THE QUEEN SLEEPER SOFA. THE QUEEN SLEEPER SOFA IS ALREADY MADE UP FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.

We have partnered with AVEDA to supply our guests with their eco-friendly products. Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, hand soap, lotion and bubble bath is provided for you.

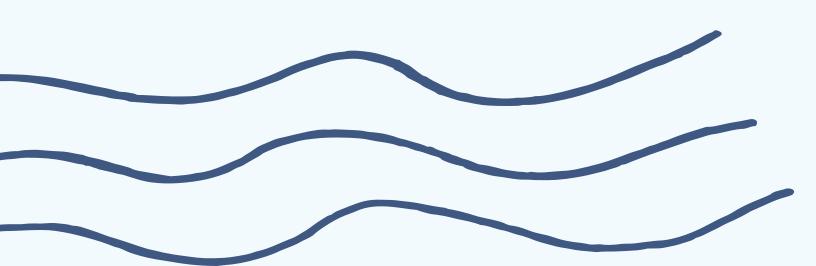
The blow-dryer is located in the vanity drawer.

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There are extra bath towels and beach towels for the river at the bottom of the vanity, as well as two robes.

The toilet is on a septic tank, please DO NOT deposit feminine products, waste paper or any other non-biodegradable products.





BIG GREEN EGG:

We have a Big Green Egg located outside your tent for grilling and barbecuing.

There is also a big plastic bin outside of your tent. Inside you will find an electric lighter, gloves and charcoal for the Green Egg.

HOW TO LITE THE GREEN EGG:

1. Make sure the bottom is clean from prior use. If there is still lump coal in the basin that is not ash, move the lump coal to one side to clean out the ash.

2. Open the bottom stainless steel draft door but keep the screen closed.

3. Remove grate and pour charcoal into the egg. Fill the Big Green Egg about ¹/₄ way full with charcoal.

4. Use the electric fire starter to start the fire. There are gloves to use to protect your hands. Plug in the electric fire starter with the extension cord provided, put it on the charcoal and cover with a layer of charcoal. Let it lite the charcoal approximately 3 minutes or until the coals are lit.

5. After it is lit for about 3 minutes, close the lid.

6. Make sure you keep the damper top completely open (this is the black cover with vent holes on top of the lid) so air can flow out.

7. Now, you will need to watch the temperature gauge and set it to your desired temperature. The way you increase and decrease temperature is by air flow. To increase temperature, open the stainless steel draft door and the damper top above. To decrease temperature, close the stainless draft door and the damper top above. During this process, a little goes a long way. You will need to wait several minutes after adjusting the temperature for it to react.

8. Cook your food and enjoy!

9. To put the fire out just close the bottom stainless steel draft door and the damper top.

Note: The fire gets really hot and when you're opening the lid, make sure to wear protective gloves and **burp the lid by opening it a little and letting out the hot air.

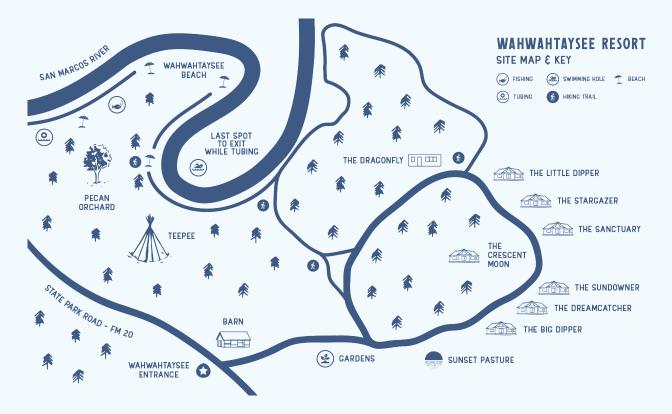


YETI COOLERS

We have provided you with a YETI cooler for your use during your stay. The YETI must be returned to your tent before you leave!

E X P L O R E

Wahwahtaysee Resort is set on over 100 acres of pristine wilderness on the San Marcos River and truly offers something for everyone. Rest and relax in the luxurious safari tents, hike the property's many walking trails, pick pecans in the 150 year old pecan orchard, or explore the numerous private beaches on the aquamarine San Marcos River. Go to the bridge on FM 20 and tube down to the property, watch for shooting stars and fireflies, watch the beautiful sunsets over the pasture. And, don't forget to simply relax and listen to the sounds of nature.



While exploring the property, you are likely to run into some wildlife, some cute - some not so cute. The primary animals you'll see include turkey, deer, dove, songbirds, buzzards, hawks, and armadillos. Although unpopular, you may also encounter **snakes, mosquitos, chiggers, scorpions, spiders and other bugs. Please beware of the Bull Nettle. It is a plant but it will sting.** So, walk with caution and be aware of your surroundings while exploring the property.

Try to remain on the paths and roads, especially at night. The beauty of glamping is being out in nature, but we must respect the wildlife and the land. If you are out at night, **don't forget to use a flashlight.**

We have provided you with a golf cart for

your stay. It's a fun and enjoyable way to get to the river. You can take the trail right past the Little Dipper for the scenic route or keep going and follow the sign to the river for a shorter drive. It is required that you agree to and sign our release of liability and waiver prior to driving the golf cart.

We've also provided you with two **Yeti Hondo Base Camp chairs** to use during your stay. These are great to take down to the river or set up on the deck. If the chairs get dirty, we ask that you clean them off with the water hose.

You might notice a gassy smell around the area, that is nothing to worry about. Just the Luling gas drifting this way.





Feeling adventurous? Book one of the following experiences to take your trip at Wahwahtaysee to the next level. To reserve your next adventure, email hello@wahwahtayseeresort.com

FLY FISHING & KAYAKING

WITH GO OUTSIDE EXPEDITION CO.

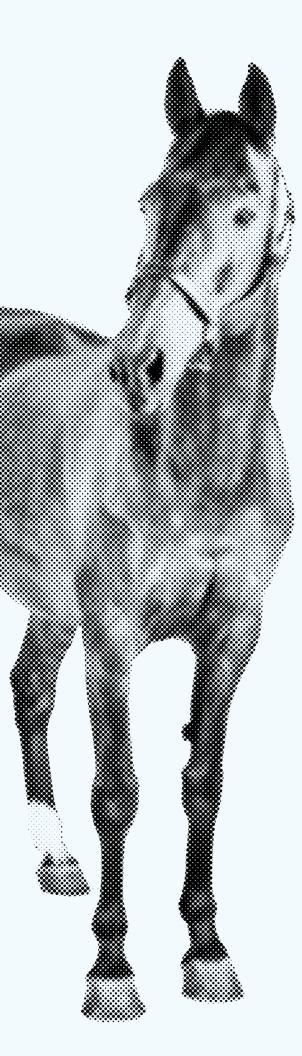
Find your own fishing hole on the property, or book a private guided fly-fishing trip with our partner, Go Outside Expedition Company. Wahwahtaysee Resort is located on some of the most pristine and secluded fly-fishing water on the San Marcos River. Healthy populations of largemouth, smallmouth, and Guadalupe bass, carp, gar, Rio Grande perch, and various types of Sunfish are found in the San Marcos and other rivers throughout the Texas Hill Country.

Wahwahtaysee works with Go Outside Expedition Company to provide memorable fly fishing experiences and opportunities to our customers. Whether new to fly fishing or an experienced angler, Go Outside Expedition Company can structure a trip that fits your needs. GO provides half day (\$350) and full day (\$450) guided fly fishing float trips out of their 14' rafts with fishing frames that comfortably fit up to 2 clients. The pricing is the same for one or two people. Groups larger than 2 can be accommodated. All gear needed is provided including drinks for half days and lunch and drinks for full days.

For those interested in learning how to fly fish, GO offers a 2-hour on the water-casting lesson. The lesson is structured to teach different styles of casting, reading water, fly selection, knots, and different ways to fly fish for trout, bass, and saltwater species. The lesson is \$150 for one or two people and \$50 for each additional person. All gear for the lesson is provided. We have partnered with a local chef who specializes in gourmet farm-to-table style

KAYAKING TRIPS

GO also offers kayak fly-fishing trips. Clients are guided on the river with their own kayak and have opportunities to fly fish from the kayak or by wading in the river. Half days are \$350 and full days \$450 with pricing the same for one or two people. Trips can be structured to accommodate groups with all gear, food, and drinks provided.



MORE ACTIVITIES

Tubing:

We recommend going to Don's fishcamp. They will set you up and shuttle you upriver to enjoy a day of floating on the river.

www.donsfishcamp.com



Horseback Riding:

In Lockhart, Texas you will find Maverick Horseback Riding. If you are into horseback riding, this is your thing.

www.maverickhorsebackriding.com

Food & Live Music:

Gruene is located about 30 miles away from the resort. There you'll find live music at Gruene Hall, the famous The Gristmill Restaurant, wine tastings at The Grapevine and several boutique and antique shops.

www.gruenehall.com



Massage:

Enjoy a massage in your tent. Contact us for more details.



Skydiving:

Sky DIve San Marcos on Highway 80.

www.skydivesanmarcos.com



Family Photography:

Family and Group Portrait Sessions by Ashlee Newman. Contact us for more details.



Palmetto State Park:

Located in Gonzales County.

78 Park Rd. 11 S Gonzales, TX 78629



Jacob's Well:

The largest continually flowing karstic spring in Texas Hill Country.

1699 Mt. Sharp Rd. Wimberley, TX 78676



Hamilton Pool:

A natural pool into which a 50-foot waterfall deposits.

24300 Hamilton Rd. Dripping Springs, TX 78620



Find your inner yogi. Contact us for more details.

MERCH

Please check out all of our Wahwahtaysee Resort Merchandise and Swag online at: **www.wahwahtayseeresort.com/shop**

Contact us if you would like to purchase any merchandise while you are staying at the resort. We can typically have the merchandise delivered to your room.

AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE:

20 oz Navy Yeti Tumbler with Wahwahtaysee main logo + tent graphic: \$40.00 20 oz Navy Yeti Tumbler with Wahwahtaysee firefly graphic: \$40.00 10 oz Yeti Wine Tumbler (seafoam, navy or black): \$35.00 14 oz Yeti Rambler Coffee Mug (seafoam, navy or black): \$35.00



These images are just a small sample of our merch. Head to our website to purchase and for pictures of our full inventory.

PRIVATE CHEF

foods to provide private chef services to our guests. This is a wonderful way to enhance your dining experience at our resort. Please contact us directly if you would like to arrange for our private chef and please bear in mind they might not be available last minute. Advance notice is required.



LOCAL O N L Y



We believe that using ingredients that are grown locally, are in season and are grown organically, makes the food taste better. So, as much as possible, we source local and organic ingredients, to ensure you get the best food you have ever had while camping. **BY** SPOTS

Stripes Convenience Store | 1.3 miles | 2 min drive Located down the road. Stocks all the essentials, cheeseburgers, coffee and more.

9111 San Marcos Hwy Lockhart, TX 78644 (corner of 20 & 80)

HEB Grocery Store | 10 miles | 12 min drive

320 E Pierce St. Luling, TX 78648

Frank's Riverside Grill | 0.5 Miles | 1 min drive 13321 State Park Road Fentress, TX

Mom's Front Porch | 10 miles | 12 min drive 401 E. Davis St.

Luling, TX
City Market BBQ | 10.2 miles | 12 min drive

633 E. Davis St. Luling, TX

Lockhart, TX | 12.6 miles | 17 min drive The BBQ capital of Texas is just 12 miles from the resort. Our favorite spots are Black's, Smitty's and Kruez's.

Lockhart American Bistro | 13 miles | 17 min drive 119 E. San Antonio St. Lockhart, TX 78644

Market Street Café and Apothecary | 13 miles | 17 min drive 102 E. Market St. Lockhart, TX 78644

Herbert's Taco Hut | 14.4 miles | 19 min drive 419 Riverside Dr. San Marcos, TX

54th Street Restaurant & Drafthouse | 16 miles | 21 min drive 1303 S. Interstate 35 San Marcos, TX 78666

Chuy's Tex-Mex | 15.4 miles | 20 min drive 121 N Interstate 35 San Marcos, TX 78666

Cody's Restaurant Bar & Patio | 19 miles | 24 min drive 690 Centerpoint Rd #209 San Marcos, TX 78666

MANIFESTO OF THE LIGHT

WAHWAHTAYSEE means "FIREFLY" in the Tonkawan language.

The fascination with the firefly is one that does not fade no matter how old we get. The flit of light they bring to a field at dusk is a tiny reminder of how enchanting life can be, one that we don't want to fade.

So we capture it, but why? Is it simply to capture the light in a jar, or are we seeking to capture the magic for a little while longer, allowing us the luxury to awe at its glow from a comfortable distance.

Wahwahtaysee Resort was created with this same idea in mind. The adventure of nature has been given to us as a gift. It is something that can and should be enjoyed. Our family has built Wahwahtaysee to allow you to revel in the beauty of the star filled Texas sky with the rush of the San Marcos river at your door, all while surrounded by the comforts of a luxury hotel. We built this resort as a family, so that you and your family might get to experience the magic of the Texas country.

Think of Wahwahtaysee Resort for what it is, a tiny reminder of how enchanting life can be, if you only remember to seek it out.

Capture the Light at Wahwahtaysee Resort.

Bobby, Sammy, Donny and the Team