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Nacogdoches, the oldest town in Texas, is named for the Caddo family of Indians who once lived in the area. Local legend tells of a Caddo chief, living near the Sabine River, who sent his young adult twin sons in opposite directions to establish their own tribes. One brother, Natchitoches, traveled three days east toward the rising sun. The other brother, Nacogdoches, traveled three days west toward the setting sun. Settled in their new communities, the two brothers remained friendly and the road between them was well traveled. The road became a trade route and the eastern end of El Camino Real. Nacogdoches remained a Caddo Indian settlement until 1716 when Spain established the mission Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe de los Nacogdoches. In 1779, Antonio Gil Y’Barbo, a prominent Spanish trader, led a group of settlers to Nacogdoches. That same year, Nacogdoches received designation from Spain as a pueblo, or town, thereby making it the first “town” in Texas. Y’Barbo was named Lt. Governor of the new town and established the rules and laws under which the city was governed. He laid out streets with the intersecting El Camino Real and El Calle del Norte as his central point. On the main thoroughfare he built a stone house for use in his trading business. The house, or Old Stone Fort as it is called today, became a gateway from the United States to the vast Texas Frontier.
THE NINE FLAGS
During the four decades following the town’s early development, Nacogdoches and the Old Stone Fort became the site of three failed attempts to establish a Republic of Texas - the Magee-Gutierrez (1812), Long (1819) and Fredonia (1826) rebellions. Thus, nine flags have flown over Nacogdoches as opposed to the six that have flown over Texas.

THE GARDEN CAPITAL OF TEXAS
Discover why Nacogdoches has been designated by the Texas Legislature as the Garden Capital of Texas. From the largest azalea garden in the state to fall foliage and flowering trails that appear at almost every turn, Nacogdoches offers year-round beauty to the casual observer and the most serious gardner alike.

FUN FOR EVERY SEASON
From the dazzling spring Azalea Trail to the spectacle of fall foliage, the Garden Capital of Texas offers fun for every season. Festivals, live music and one-of-a-kind events fill the calendar and showcase the multiple personalities of this historic icon. Whether it’s an old fashioned sugar cane celebration or a downtown wine swirl or wassail fest, you’ll find something spectacular going on year-round in Texas’ oldest town.
From cozy, historic venues to expansive meeting halls, Nacogdoches delivers. Start planning your next event now with the professional sales and marketing team at the Nacogdoches Convention and Visitors Bureau.

**THE FREDONIA HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER**

The Fredonia Hotel combines classic mid-century style with a new generation of hospitality. Nestled in the heart of Nacogdoches’ historic downtown district, this newly restored boutique hotel is at once historic and modern and offers the largest meeting and banquet venue in town, boasting 20,000 square feet of convention space. The facility has state-of-the-art, fully integrated audio/video capabilities, including built-in screens and projectors as well as the fastest wireless internet service in the market.
The Fredonia Hotel & Convention Center

AMENITIES ON SITE

With 2 world-class restaurants and a full service bar on site you will never have to leave the Fredonia Hotel.
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NINE FLAGS
BAR AND GRILL
EST. 1955
at the Fredonia

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THE NACOGDOCHES COUNTY EXPOSITION AND CIVIC CENTER

The Exposition Center features a 78,000 sq. ft. arena ideal for concerts, rodeos and large events. The Civic Center offers more than 20,000 sq. ft. of event space including two large rooms. The downstairs room is 14,000 sq. ft. and seats 600 to 1,100 while the upstairs is 4,316 sq. ft. and seats 225 to 500 people. Additional small meeting rooms are available.
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THE UNIVERSITY CENTER - STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY

Located on the beautiful campus of Stephen F. Austin State University, The University Center offers multiple event spaces equipped with audio/visual capabilities and available catering.
THE GRAND BALLROOM AT SFA

The Grand Ballroom can accommodate 1,000 people with theater seating, 500 at round tables and 700 banquet-style. Smaller spaces include the Twilight Ballroom, Regents Suites and eight smaller meeting rooms.
Located on the beautiful campus of Stephen F. Austin State University, The University Center offers multiple event spaces equipped with audio/visual capabilities and available catering.
Nacogdoches offers numerous venues more suited to smaller gatherings such as receptions or an off-site catered meal and fun time. Many are within a short walk of the historic downtown convention hotel.

**DOWNTOWN DISTRICT**

**BANITA CREEK HALL**

Situated alongside Banita Creek west of downtown, this grand Texas dance hall was originally the Anderson Grain Building, and the back area once served as a grain mill. Outside catering is available. The Front Room is 8,200 sq. ft., accommodates 900 guests and offers pool tables, a dance floor and a stage. The Mill Room can accommodate 400 people.

**CHARLES BRIGHT VISITOR CENTER**

The Visitor Center is located on the Plaza Principal in the heart of downtown and is a great place for a welcome reception or as a focal point for an outside event in the evening along the historic brick streets. Catering and entertainment can be arranged with the help of the CVB staff.

**THE COLE ART CENTER IN THE OLD OPERA HOUSE**

Available for groups up to 200 people, the Center in downtown is ideal for welcome receptions, an off-site catered meal or entertainment. Frequently, exhibits are on display.

**THE FREDDONIA BREWERY**

Located downtown, the venue is a working brewery serving traditional American style beers, with the flexibility to brew any type of beer. There is a large meeting space available inside and a large courtyard facility for outside events.

**THE JONES HOUSE**

Built in 1895 by architect Diedrich Rulfs, The Jones House is a wonderful example of late Victorian domestic architecture. It features bay windows with curved glass, double galleries, stained glass windows and pulpit-divided front steps. Within walking distance of historic downtown Nacogdoches, the house is ideal for showers, receptions, parties and teas. The home can comfortably accommodate groups of 20 and food can be provided.

**LIBERTY HALL**

Located on the banks of Lanana Creek near downtown, Liberty Hall was built by the City of Nacogdoches in 1994. It is a rustic, lodge-type facility that is ideal for parties, receptions and meetings. The 1,800 sq. ft. meeting room can comfortably accommodate 75 people. It also offers limited kitchen facilities.
MAST HALL
Located on the brick streets of the downtown historic district, Mast Hall was built in 1908 as Cason Monk, Monk & Company Store, a purveyor of hardware goods that served the area for more than a century. Meeting area is approximately 7,000 sq. ft.

OLD NACOGDOCHES UNIVERSITY BUILDING
Built in 1859, it is the only original building of a university chartered by the Republic of Texas still standing. The two-story building of modified Grecian architecture closely resembles the University of Virginia buildings and is a Texas State Historical Landmark. It has full kitchen facilities and there are two downstairs rooms that can each comfortably accommodate 116 people, as well as two small upstairs rooms. No alcoholic beverages are permitted.

OLD TOBACCO WAREHOUSE
This is a unique venue for weddings, receptions and parties and is located in an historical tobacco warehouse in the historic downtown district. The space is located on a second floor and offers 3,500 sq. ft. and can accommodate 250 seated and 300 for a reception.

HOTEL MEETING VENUES

COMFORT SUITES
Comfort Suites offers a meeting space that accommodates up to 50 guests. Ideal for business meetings, workshops, banquets, parties, wedding receptions, baby showers, and social gatherings. Outside catering only.

HAMPTON INN & SUITES
The hotel boasts a 550 sq. ft. room that can comfortably seat about 30 people. The beautifully-decorated space is perfect for small meetings, receptions and other social gatherings. A small boardroom at the hotel is ideal for business meetings of six to eight people, and a conference table is provided. Outside catering only.

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
This location offers a 700 sq. ft. room that is well appointed and can accommodate up to 30 guests and is ideal for small meetings, receptions, parties and showers. Outside catering only.

QUALITY INN & SUITES
This location features a 2,400 square foot meeting room. The newly renovated guest rooms (117 rooms) are built around a courtyard. The hotel also features an exercise room, breakfast room, indoor/outdoor pool area, and a sports bar.

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ADDITIONAL UNIQUE VENUES

AUSTIN HALL AND EVENT CENTER
Austin Hall is a casual venue for private events, corporate retreats and corporate event services and can accommodate up to 300 people seated. The venue provides catering and outside catering is welcomed.

CSAT CONFERENCE ROOM
The CSAT Conference Room is a 500 sq. ft. classroom area that can accommodate up to 25 people. The facility also has a break area with a coffee maker, microwave and refrigerator. There is also a 300 sq. ft. recreation room available. Services include free Wi-Fi, dedicated laptop with Windows Vista and speakers, digital projector and DVD.

EAGLE NEST HIDDEN LAKE RESORT
Located 9 miles north of Nacogdoches, this venue is perfect for corporate events, meetings, reunions, parties and can accommodate 250 to 300 seated. The Activity Center offers 5,280 sq. ft. of climate controlled space in addition to a 1,760 sq. ft. covered back patio for outdoor activities. The venue offers a full service kitchen and 8’X12’ screen with projector.

MILLARD’S CROSSING HISTORIC VILLAGE
This charming reconstructed historic village offers a century-old chapel, a Victorian home and a charming gazebo - all excellent locations for a wedding or reception, as well as conferences, recitals, reunions, meetings, retreats and private parties. Rent the grounds and one or more of the facilities for an hour or a weekend. The house can accommodate 40 to 50 people comfortably. Outside catering only.

PINE CREEK COUNTRY INN
Located approximately 8 miles west of Nacogdoches, this venue is situated on a peaceful wooded hill in the middle of a 140-acre farm. It is a perfect setting for weddings, receptions, banquets and more. It is a full-service property with 17 guest rooms and a large outdoor deck and gazebo area. The dining facility is 1,000 sq. ft. and is ideal for 50 to 60 people. The Banquet Room is 2,500 sq. ft. and comfortably seats 180 while the Foyer is 1,700 sq. ft. and accommodates 200.

SHRINERS HALL
This hall is available for banquets, parties and other special events. The space is designed to accommodate 300 people with a dance floor or 400 without. Kitchen facilities are available. The hall is not available on Tuesdays or fourth Thursdays.
Other Meeting Facilities & Off-site Options
From Practical Convenience to Charming and Eclectic

SOUTHERN BLISS
Southern Bliss is a wedding venue with a southern twist. The venue is the perfect setting to host weddings, smaller meetings and reunions. Southern Bliss provides tables, chairs and linens. The venue offers three areas - a covered deck, the main room as well as a chapel and can accommodate 300 people.

THE RED BARN
The Red Barn features 1,800 sq. ft. of event space with a full size kitchen and can accommodate up to 125 seated. The venue offers a casual setting for weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, holiday events, parties and more. Caterers are welcome.

UNION SPRINGS WEDDING AND EVENTS VENUE
This 5,000 sq. ft. cedar barn surrounded by breathtaking views is perfect for weddings and receptions. Inside the barn are two private dressing rooms. The space is equipped with a catering kitchen, indoor/outdoor speaker system and buffet area. There are two 40’x12’ porches that can be used for additional seating. There are also 2 outdoor venues, one with a gazebo and the other with a pergola.

VFW POST 3893
The local VFW post is available to the public Sunday through Friday. Easily accommodating up to 550 people, the facility is perfect for large family gatherings or any special occasion.

VINEYARD COMMUNITY CENTER
This lovely 5,000 sq. ft. facility can host weddings, receptions, reunions, meetings, parties, conferences, proms, dances, recitals, catered banquets, etc. The large, beautifully manicured lawn can also host outdoor weddings and events. The 3,000 sq. ft. Tuscan Room includes a stage area and can accommodate up to 200 people. Adequate parking, kitchen facilities, tables and chairs are available.

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Nacogdoches offers national lodging options as well as local favorites including a completely restored and renewed boutique hotel in the historic downtown district. Nacogdoches has 1,036 rooms within the city along with 13 Bed and Breakfast properties and unique lodging offerings. The hotel occupancy tax is 13%.

### Nacogdoches Hotels & Motels

#### Your Home Away From Home

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#### B&B’s / Other Unique Lodging

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<td>537 County Rd. 200 936.205.9376</td>
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<td><strong>Summit Hill</strong> (Extended Stay Only)</td>
<td>1111 County Road 504 936.554.4245 / 936.554.0306</td>
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<td>522 Virginia Avenue 936.564.7428</td>
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FREDONIA BREWERY
Brewing up traditional American style beers, with the flexibility to brew any type of beer, the Fredonia Brewery is located in downtown Nacogdoches.

THE FRONT PORCH DISTILLERY
Located south of Nacogdoches, this working distillery specializes in artisan craft spirits including rum, vodka and whiskey and offers tours and tastings Monday-Saturday.

NACA VALLEY VINEYARD
Enjoy wine tastings, a vineyard tour and views of the wine making process, all in a quiet country setting.

FARMER'S MARKET
The Market sells local organic produce, plants, baked goods, eggs, honey and locally produced crafts.

CHARLES BRIGHT VISITOR CENTER
Begin your visit to the Oldest Town in Texas here! The Visitor Center is home to the Nacogdoches Convention and Visitors Bureau as well as two floors dedicated to local historic artifacts and exhibits. Watch a video of the history of Nacogdoches and the surrounding area. Get visitor information including brochures, self-guided tour details, maps and gifts.

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN NACOGDOCHES
After getting your bearings at the Visitor Center, step onto the brick streets of downtown Nacogdoches and stroll the antique and specialty shops, art galleries, local eateries and live entertainment venues. Be sure to visit the Fire Museum, Railroad Depot and Museum and numerous historic landmarks in the downtown area.

DURST-TAYLOR HOUSE & GARDENS
Built circa 1830s, this wood-frame house is interpreted to the 1840 to 1860 time period when the Blackburn family lived there. The house is the second oldest structure still standing on its original site in Nacogdoches.

MILLARO’S CROSSING HISTORIC VILLAGE
The historic village comprises a broad sampling of 19th century East Texas architecture from simple log cabins to Victorian homes.

OAK GROVE CEMETERY
Four signers of the Texas Declaration of Independence are buried here, including Thomas J. Rusk.

OLD NACOGDOCHES UNIVERSITY BUILDING
It is the only original building of a university chartered by the Republic of Texas still standing and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

STERNE-HOYA HOUSE MUSEUM
Built circa 1830 by Adolphus Sterne, a prominent leader in the fight for Texas Independence.

STONE FORT MUSEUM
A 1936 replica of Antonio Gil Y’Barbo’s stone house. The museum interprets East Texas and Nacogdoches history.

TRAILS OF NACOGDOCHES
Walk, hike, bike or just sit back and take in the natural beauty. Numerous trails offer activities to suit most any enthusiast. Most trails are along the creeks on the east and west side of downtown or on the Stephen F. Austin State University campus. Trail maps are available at the Visitor Center.

Lanana Creek Trail - Originally an Indian footpath, this 5.89 mile trail weaves through thickets of paw·paw, dogwood and scarlet blooming buckeye.

Banita Creek Trail - This 1.9 mile trail is Nacogdoches’ newest addition and winds through a pristine setting of shagbark hickory, Florida maples and tree sparkleberry and even includes waterfalls.

SFA Interpretive Trail - Two trails spanning 3 miles take visitors into some of the most dynamic and scenic areas of this National Forest. Some 150 species of birds and 80 species of butterflies may be seen.
GAYLA MIZE GARDEN
Take a stroll through this tranquil forest garden which includes Chinese fringe trees, deciduous hollies, azaleas, redbuds, dogwoods and camellias.

RUBY M. MIZE AZALEA GARDEN
Texas’ largest azalea garden features more than 7,000 azaleas spread over 8 forested acres.

PINEWOODS NATIVE PLANT CENTER
This 40-acre garden on the SFA campus is a unique mixture of uplands, mesic mid-slopes and wet creek bottoms. The Tucker House serves as the central feature of the property, which is surrounded by two miles of accessible trails through native forest and diverse gardens.

SFA MAST ARBORETUM
The first arboretum at a university in Texas, this on-campus garden spills over 19 acres and lies on a portion of the Lanana Creek Trail.

LOCAL LAKES
Lake Nacogdoches and Lake Naconiche provide year round recreation opportunities. Area lakes include Sam Rayburn Reservoir and Toledo Bend Reservoir.

CAMP TONKAWA SPRINGS
A natural spring fed pond that has fascinated visitors for over a century. A dip in the springs is a great way to beat the summer heat.

NORTH FOREST PUTTING COURSE
Miniature golf course open seasonally through mid October.

WOODLAND HILLS GOLF COURSE
18 hole golf course open to the public year round. Foot golf available.

ZIP NAC
Professionally trained guides will send you zipping through tall timber in an exhilarating tour of the forest canopy. Ideal for first-time zippers and those more experienced.

CULTURE
Nacogdoches boasts an active fine arts community with frequent performances and exhibitions. A local community theater along with world class performances and exhibitions hosted by the Stephen F. Austin State University College of Fine Arts make for a lively arts scene year round.

LIVE MUSIC
Nacogdoches has long had an active live music culture. Local venues offer concerts and activities throughout the week. Visit us online for a complete list of upcoming events.

Banita Creek Hall is an institution among Texas music artists and enthusiasts. The traditional dance hall regularly hosts some of the top entertainers in Texas and is near downtown along Banita Creek.

The Liberty Bell is quickly becoming one of Nacogdoches’ most popular venues for live music and good food and is housed in a restored historic building along Main Street.

Lugnutz is a honky-tonk with pool tables and live entertainment on weekends and serves up a great steak on steak night.

Maklemore's is an ale house located near the university campus that offers a unique dining and live music experience with great specials such as Taco Tuesday and Wine Down Wednesdays.

Things to See & Do
Go to visitnacogdoches.org for a full list of events.
Nacogdoches is the ideal place to get away, relax and refresh your soul. Texas’ first city is also a great central location for discovering attractions within a 60 minute drive and makes a great headquarters for the full East Texas experience.

CADDO MOUND STATE HISTORICAL SITE

Founded more than 1,200 years ago by peoples of the Caddoan Mississippian culture, the 350 acre site includes the prehistoric village and ceremonial center with two platform mounds and one burial mound. The on-site museum offers visitors a chance to explore a replica Caddo village and all exhibits are hands-on. Visitors can walk the self-guided interpretive trail to see the Caddo’s burial, low temple, and ceremonial mounds. - Alto, Texas

MISSION DOLORES STATE HISTORIC SITE

Built in 1721 as a Spanish mission, this State Antiquities Landmark is located along the El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail in San Augustine County. Interpretive displays tell the important history of the Native American experience with Texas’ earliest European settlers. Camp, picnic and explore the history of Mission Dolores and the natural beauty that surrounds the site. - San Augustine, Texas

TEXAS COUNTRY MUSIC HALL OF FAME

Initiated in 1998 to celebrate the contributions of Texans to the country music profession, the project highlights those individuals, living or dead, who are recognized nationally as outstanding in their field. The structure encompasses 13,000 square feet of space for exhibits, a gift shop and a large banquet room. The facility can accommodate groups of 300 for lecture-type seating or more than 200 for catered dinners. - Carthage, Texas

ELLEN TROUT ZOO

Come enjoy everything that a zoo has to offer. The Ellen Trout Zoo boasts 500 animals including several exotic birds and mammals. It also has a mini train that runs throughout the park along with a beautiful lake stocked for fishing. Regular seasonal events include Zoo Boo and Zoo Brew. Recent exhibits make the zoo one of the most outstanding small town zoos in the nation. - Lufkin, Texas

TEXAS STATE RAILROAD

The Texas State Railroad is a historic 25 mile railroad that runs between Rusk and Palestine, Texas. Founded in 1881 as a freight line, the railroad today takes passengers on a breathtaking adventure through native forests as it rumbles over babbling streams. Special train excursions include the holiday-themed Polar Express and other seasonal special activities. - Rusk, Texas

EAST TEXAS OIL MUSEUM

Located on the campus of Kilgore College, this fascinating museum houses the authentic re-creation of oil discovery and production in the early 1930s from the largest oil field inside U.S. boundaries. Here, visitors see the people, their towns, their personal habits, their tools and their pastimes – all colorfully depicted in dioramas, movies, sound presentations and actual antiques donated by East Texas citizens. - Kilgore, Texas

DAY LILY FARM

The Lily Farm hybridizes and sells world class daylilies, both registered and seedlings, and is one of the largest daylily farms in the United States. The farm is seasonal and the daylilies typically are in full bloom in mid-May. When in bloom, visitors can expect to see 50,000 flowers over a two week period. - Center, Texas

JORDAN’S PLANT FARM

Jordan’s Plant Farm is a shopper’s delight. Greenhouses filled with colorful blooming plants for spring, summer and fall and with colorful poinsettias for the Christmas season. Browse the many rooms that are filled with hard to find decorative gift items, aromatic candles and much more. - Henderson, Texas
As you plan your meeting or event, turn to the professional staff of the Nacogdoches Convention & Visitors Bureau to help make you welcome and to help organize and plan for an extraordinary experience. From start to finish, we are here to help with registration, transportation, welcome bags, tours and fun activities for each attendee and each spouse and family member. Let’s get started!

**BID PROCESS - EASY AS 1-2-3**

1. Provide us with your meeting specifications and we will obtain proposals from our hotels and venues.
2. The Bureau staff can assist in bid presentations to your decision makers.
3. Let us schedule and accompany you on a site inspection to give you a true feel of our East Texas hospitality.

**CONVENTION SERVICES**

Need assistance with fun, off-site activities for your meeting? From a fun night on the town at a boot scootin’ dance hall or local wine bar to an evening along the old brick streets of downtown, our staff is here to help. Call our Director of Sales to assist with a variety of services including:

- Welcome address from the Mayor of Nacogdoches or other elected city officials
- Welcome letter from the Mayor of Nacogdoches
- Registration assistance
- Welcome bags including the Nacogdoches Visitors Guide, local map, restaurant guide and more!
- Team-building activities
- Dining options
- Spouse tours
- Access to online special offers.

**SHUTTLE COORDINATION**

The Nacogdoches CVB can assist in coordinating affordable transportation for your event.

**PROMOTIONAL ASSISTANCE**

Our full-time sales and marketing team is ready to assist in promoting your meeting or event. Let us help you with:

- Photography
- Press releases, when applicable
- Story ideas for promoting the destination to build attendance

**LOCATION**

Nacogdoches is centrally located in East Texas, almost equidistant from Dallas/Fort Worth, Houston and Shreveport, Louisiana.
Convention & Visitors Bureau

200 East Main Street
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FIRST TWO-STORY BUILDING
Old Stone House, Circa 1779

FIRST WINE CELLAR
Sterne- Hoya Home

FIRST CEILING FANS
In a downtown drugstore fan blades turned by a mule drawn treadmill outside

FIRST DISTRICT COURT SESSION
Held in the Old Stone Fort

FIRST NEWSPAPER
Set to type in 1813

FIRST OIL FIELD
Located near Oil Springs in Nacogdoches County

FIRST OIL WELL
Drilled in 1866 in Nacogdoches County

FIRST PIPELINE
Delivered oil from well sites to storage tanks

FIRST STEEL STORAGE TANKS
Oil Springs in Nacogdoches County