#### Small town. Awe-some spring. BLOOM-WATCHERS WELCOME



# Welcome!

Palestine is a charming East Texas town that boasts more historic buildings on the National Register of Historic Places than any other mainland city in Texas with over 1,800 sites including the Main Street District. Home to the Texas State Railroad and the Texas Dogwood Trails Celebration, Palestine is graced with stately homes, gorgeous scenic drives and a Texas friendly welcome that offers a true Southern experience.

Established in 1846, Palestine continues its tradition of small-town hospitality. We invite you to visit historic Palestine and Experience our attractions, exciting events, unique shopping, and local flavor.

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## Special Events

A Taste of New Orleans: Mardi Gras Celebration - Local Chefs, Foodies & Restaurateurs "Kick it up a Notch" during this annual celebration of Louisianastyle cuisine in the Palestine Main Street District. The festivities include free food demonstrations and samples paired with a wine or beer tasting.

Annual Texas Dogwood Trails Celebration - For 80 years, Palestine has been a showcase for the delicate beauty of the Dogwood trees in Davey Dogwood Park the last two weekends in March and first weekend in April. Activities are scheduled each weekend to compliment the Celebration.

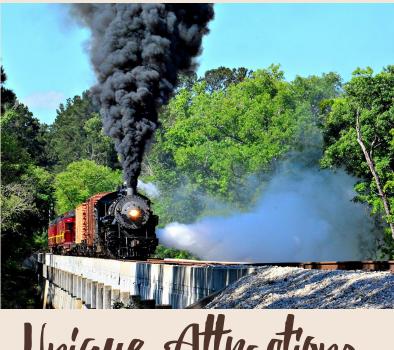
Old Time Music & Dulcimer Festival - Taking place the last full weekend in March at the Museum for East Texas Culture, this festival is three-days filled with live performances, jamming sessions, concerts and workshops. Some of the best dulcimer and old time music artists from around the country serve as headliners for the concerts and lead the workshops.

1836 Chuckwagon Races - Activities include trail rides, dutch oven cook'n classes, cowboy poetry, heard dog demonstrations, wagon races, barn dances, live music and much more!

Dogwood Jamboree - Branson-style country music show filled with family fun, laughter and great classic country music. Concerts take place five times a year.

Dogwoods in Bloom - See a color contrast aboard Texas State Railroad this spring. The burly black locomotives power the bright and vibrant red train cars past delicate whites of Dogwood blooms sheltered by the lush green of massive Piney Woods. Passengers enjoy a springtime only seen from this rare vantage point. Seasonal blossoms peak out during March for this scenic Palestine-area experience.





Unique Attractions

Texas State Railroad - A Texas treasure since 1881, the official railroad of Texas hosts scenic rides including Brunch Trains, Piney Woods Excursions and much more!

Davey Dogwood Park - The 254 acre park is open year-round during the daylight hours and has over five miles of hard surface roads, over 7 miles of hiking & biking trails and scenic views.

Museum for East Texas Culture - Rooms in this 1915 schoolhouse display artifacts and special interest exhibits, including a period classroom, a log cabin, railroad memorabilia and more!

Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility - Operated by New Mexico State University for NASA, balloons as large as 300 feet in diameter are built to conduct studies of the upper atmosphere and outer space.

## Group Tour Services

- Itinerary planning assistance
- Hotel accommodation assistance
- Welcome bags Souvenir lapel pins, Visitor Guide, post card & pen
- Escort notes for incoming routes
- Guided group tours
- Graphics, logos and videos (upon request)

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