



## SAN ANTONIO IN 250 Words

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Deep in the heart of Texas, San Antonio's bold culture and historic legacies make it an ideal gateway to so much more than the Latin American culture.

The rolling terrain of the Hill Country around San Antonio has drawn charming vineyards, hillside bed and breakfasts and nationally acclaimed resorts that offer rustic refinement in the most pampering of ways, from championship golf courses to fireside spas and delectable restaurants. As you delve deeper into San Antonio, the essence of the city's rich culture only grows stronger. Varied cuisines, including famed Tex-Mex, fill the air with rich aromas. Music flourishes: country-western bands, mariachis, folk singers, conjunto—all singing the songs of the city. Art comes alive with river gardens, Spanish colonial architecture and prestigious museums. But nothing embodies the essence of San Antonio more than the people with their intimate and welcoming nature. The flourishing River Walk cradles much of San Antonio's unparalleled charm. Here you'll find miles of meandering paths along the banks of the San Antonio River connecting hotels, restaurants, shops, historic landmarks and more. It was this river that originally inspired the settlement of San Antonio, and it still flourishes today as the city's center.

San Antonio is one of America's most authentic and passionate cities, spirited with poets and lyricists, painters and sculptors, a city both rich and humble. Become a part of the living mural—and let San Antonio become a part of your heart.

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### Coming early, staying a few extra days or just have a few hours free time consider a visit to New Braunfels a German-Texas Settlement a short drive north of San Antonio

That became the home of Ferdinand Lindheimer known as the 'Father of Texas Botany'. A half dozen field botanists visited Texas between 1820 and 1880 he was the only one to stay. • The itinerant botanist: a blue-eyed man with a bushy black beard who roamed coastal plains and upland river valleys in the 1830s and '40s, gathering specimens of wild plants. Geologist Ferdinand von Roemer, who got to know Lindheimer later in life, described his expeditions this way: "He bought a two-wheeled covered cart and a horse, loaded it with paper necessary to pack his plants, and a supply of the most necessary articles of food, such as flour, coffee and salt. Thereupon, he sallied forth into the wilderness"

Learn more about Ferdinand Lindheimer and plants he classified visit:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ferdinand\\_Lindheimer](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ferdinand_Lindheimer)

[http://tpwmagazine.com/archive/2013/jan/LLL\\_Lindheimer/](http://tpwmagazine.com/archive/2013/jan/LLL_Lindheimer/)

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*Muhlenbergia lindheimeri*



*Garrya ovata ssp. Lindheimeri*



*Senna lindheimeriana*



*Nolina lindheimeriana*