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www.tpwd.texas.gov/apps

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www.tpwd.texas.gov/fishing

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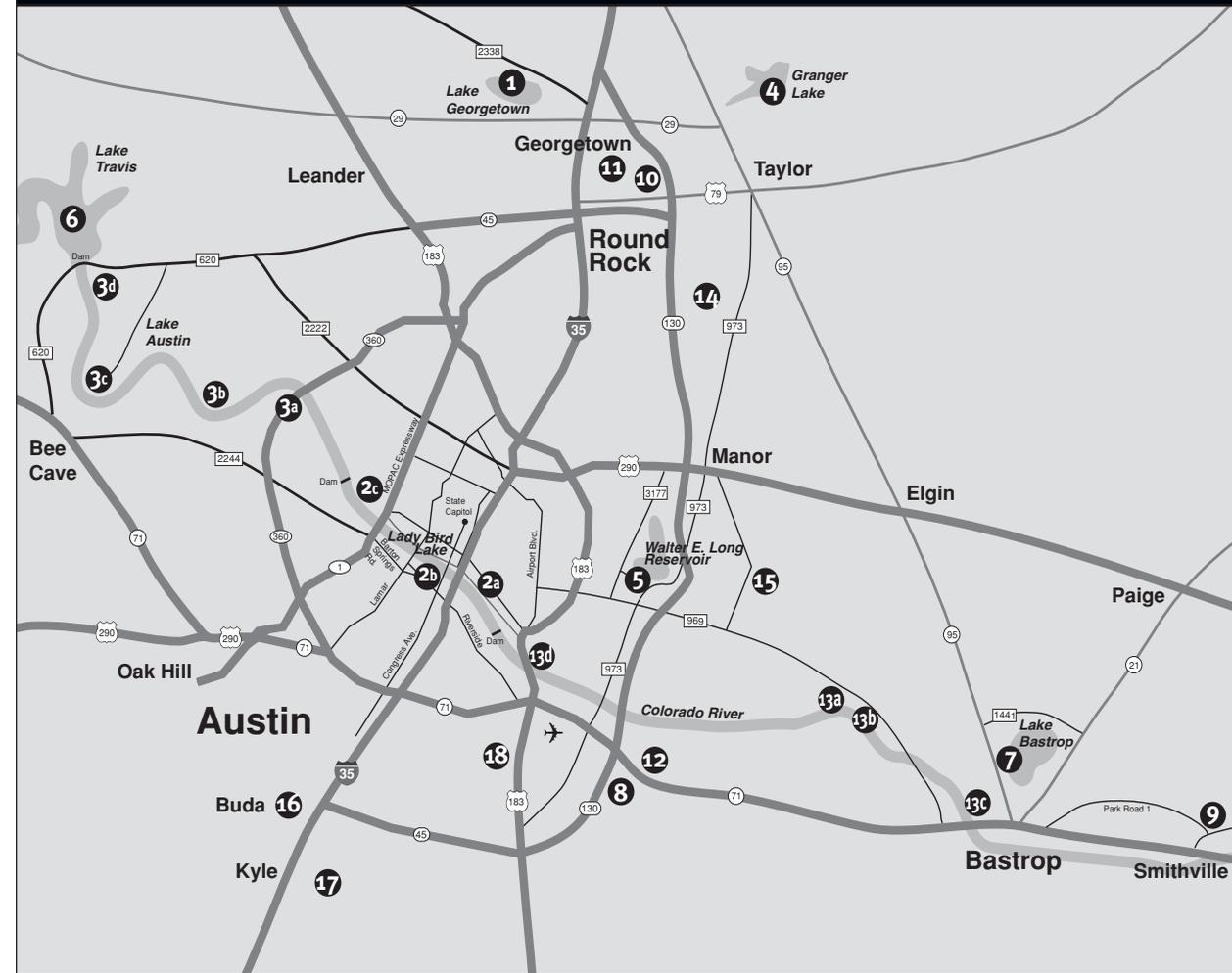
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Easy Access Fishing Spots



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EASY ACCESS FISHING SPOTS IN THE AUSTIN METRO AREA



1. Lake Georgetown, Georgetown

- Bank fishing is fair within the parks (Tejas Camp, and Jim Hogg, Russell and Cedar Breaks parks) operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. A hiking trail from Tejas Camp provides miles of bank fishing access to the south shore of the North Fork of the San Gabriel River above the reservoir.
- From I-35 in Georgetown, go west on FM 2338 (Andice Blvd.) and turn left at the sign to the park of choice. Tejas Camp can be found by turning right onto CR 258 just north of the junction of highways 183 and 29, north of Leander.

📍 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (512) 930-5253
www.swf-wc.usace.army.mil/georgetown

2. Ladybird Lake, Austin

- Bank access is available at Festival Beach Park, Auditorium Shores and Red Bud Isle. The Austin hike and bike trail circles almost the entire lower two thirds of the reservoir offering access to the bank.
- Festival Beach (a) is located on the north side of the lake just east of I-35. Auditorium Shores (b) is on the south shore off Riverside Drive between South 1st and Lamar. Red Bud Isle (c) can be reached by turning south onto Red Bud Trail off Lake Austin Blvd.

📍 City of Austin (512) 974-6700 www.austintexas.gov
LCRA (800) 776-5272 www.lcra.org/parks

3. Lake Austin, Austin

- Bank angling is available at the Loop 360 bridge crossing (a), Emma Long Park, Mary Quinlan Park and Fritz Hughes Park near Mansfield Dam.
- ♥ Emma Long Park (b) can be located by turning south onto City Park Road off of RR 2222 just west of Loop 360. Mary Quinlan Park (c) can be located by turning south on Quinlan Park Road from RR 620. Fritz Hughes Park (d) can be reached by turning onto Low Water Crossing Road from 620, and turning south on Fritz Hughes Park Road.
- 📍 City of Austin (512) 974-6700
www.austintexas.gov, www.austinparks.org
Travis County (512) 854-7275
https://parks.traviscountytx.gov

4. Granger Lake, Granger

- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers operates four parks on the shores of Granger Lake, including Friendship Park, Taylor Park, Willis Creek Park and Wilson H. Fox Park. These parks provide campgrounds, restrooms, picnic areas, boat ramps and opportunities for shoreline fishing. There is also bank access to the San Gabriel River above Granger Lake off County Road 347.
- ♥ From I-35 in Round Rock, travel east on Hwy. 79 to Taylor, and take Hwy. 95 north toward Granger. For Taylor and Wilson H. Fox parks, turn right off Hwy. 95 onto FM 1331 near Circleville and look for park signs on left. To fish the San Gabriel River above the lake, access the river on the southeast side of the Hwy. 95 bridge, or turn right onto CR 347 and continue to the wildlife management area parking lot. For Willis Creek Park, turn right onto CR 346 between the San Gabriel River and Granger. For Friendship Park, turn right on FM 971 in Granger, then right at the sign for the park.
- 📍 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (512) 859-2668
www.swf-wc.usace.army.mil/granger

5. Walter E. Long Reservoir, Austin

- Bank angling is limited but available at the city park where the boat ramp is located. Rest rooms, picnic tables and playground equipment are available.
- ♥ From I35 and 183 intersection, head East on U.S. 183 then turn left on to FM 969, and turn left onto Blue Bluff Road. From Del Valle, go north off of Hwy. 71 East onto FM 973, and pass through the FM 969 intersection. Turn left onto Decker Lake Road, then right onto Blue Bluff Road.
- 📍 City of Austin (512) 926-5230
www.austintexas.gov, www.austinparks.org

6. Lake Travis, Western Travis County

- Lake Travis has 14 LCRA parks and recreation areas on its shores. Travis County operates seven of the parks

through an agreement with LCRA. Each of these parks offers bank fishing access and a host of other amenities.

- ♥ Contact the county or LCRA for access information or visit the websites to find directions to specific parks.
- 📍 Travis County (512) 854-7275
https://parks.traviscountytx.gov
LCRA (800) 776-5272 www.lcra.org/parks

7. Lake Bastrop, Bastrop

- Boat and bank access can be found at North Shore and South Shore parks. They are operated by the LCRA. Additional amenities at both parks include picnic tables, playgrounds and sand volleyball courts. The North Shore has a fishing pier; the South Shore provides a swimming area.
- ♥ From Austin, take Hwy. 71 east to Bastrop, take a left onto Hwy. 95. To South Shore: Take a right onto Hwy. 21 East. Go approximately 2 miles and turn left onto South Shore Road (also CR 352). Continue on South Shore Road, the entrance will be on your right. To North Shore: Turn right off Hwy. 95 onto FM 1441, drive 2.5 miles to the park entrance.
- 📍 LCRA (512) 498-1922 www.lcra.org/parks

8. Barkley Meadows Park Ponds, Austin

- Two lakes at this new pond. Catch and release only. Both ponds offer bank fishing access, play grounds, walking trails, etc.
- ♥ From Austin, take Hwy. 71 east to FM 973, turn south on 973 and then east on Pierce Lane. At toll road 130 turn north, stay on the access road to come to the park.
- 📍 Travis County https://parks.traviscountytx.gov/

9. Buescher State Park Pond, Smithville (Trout stocking)

- Good bank access. Canoe rentals available. Hiking trails and camping are located within the state park. Entrance fee.
- 📍 TPWD Tackle Loaner site. Families can borrow fishing equipment from office.
- ♥ From Austin, take Hwy. 71 east to Smithville. Turn left onto FM 153, and left into park entrance.
- 📍 Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (512) 237-2241
www.tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/buescher

10. Bright Lake, Round Rock

- Excellent bank access. Hiking paths, restrooms, picnic tables and playground equipment are located on site.
- ♥ From I-35, take the Hwy. 79 exit, head east on Hwy. 79 and turn left into Old Settlers Park about 3 miles from I-35.
- 📍 City of Round Rock (512) 218-5540
www.roundrocktexas.gov

11. Meadow Lake, Round Rock

- Good bank access on west side of lake. Picnic tables and playground equipment are located on-site.

- ♥ From I-35, take the FM 3406 exit (just north of Hwy. 79 exit) and go east on 3406/Old Settlers Blvd. to Sunrise Street. One block past Sunrise Street, turn left onto Settlement Drive, and lake is about 1/4 mile on the right side of the road.
- 📍 City of Round Rock (512) 218-5540
www.roundrocktexas.gov

12. Southeast Metropolitan Park Ponds 1-4, Del Valle

- Four fishing ponds offer excellent bank access within this Travis County Park. Other amenities include hiking trails, a climbing wall and various sporting fields and courts.
- ♥ Travel east on Hwy. 71 past Austin-Bergstrom International Airport. The park is on the north side of Hwy. 71.
- 📍 Travis County (512) 854-7275
https://parks.traviscountytx.gov

13. Colorado River, Webberville and Bastrop

- There are several access points to the Colorado River that offer boating and bank fishing access. The Colorado River Wildlife Sanctuary offers walking trails and bank access to the Colorado River, but few other amenities. Little Webberville parks have paved parking and boat ramps and are maintained by Travis County. A fishing pier is located at Big Webberville Park. Fisherman's Park in Bastrop also has paved vehicle access and boat ramp, as well as picnic facilities, nature trail, playground and fishing pier.
- ♥ Little Webberville (a) and Big Webberville (b) are located east of Austin on FM 969 near the community of Webberville. Fisherman's Park (c) is located near downtown Bastrop at the end of Farm street. Colorado River Wildlife Sanctuary (d) is accessed via Levander Loop under the Hwy. 183 bridge over the river. Levander Loop can be accessed from Airport Blvd or E. Cesar Chavez.
- 📍 City of Austin (512) 974-6700 www.austinparks.org
Travis County (512) 854-7275
https://parks.traviscountytx.gov
City of Bastrop (512) 332-8920 www.cityofbastrop.org

14. Lake Pflugerville, Pflugerville

- This 180-acre lake offers several fishing piers. A 3-mile walking/jogging trail, playground, pavilion, beach area and restrooms are available in the park.
- ♥ Located in Pflugerville at the intersection of Weiss Lane and Pflugerville Parkway.
- 📍 City of Pflugerville (512) 990-6350 www.pflugervilletx.gov

15. Travis County East Metropolitan Park, Austin

- There are 3 ponds in this park with various fishing regulations. The park includes picnic areas, playscapes, hiking trails, concessions, restroom facilities and a swimming pool. Fishing regulations are specific to each pond.
- 📍 Bull Frog Pond in this park is part of the Neighborhood Fishin' program and is stocked every two weeks with fish.

- ♥ Located at 18701 Blake Manor Road. From Austin, take US 290 east to Manor. Turn right on FM 973 (Lexington Street) and then left on Blake Manor Road. Follow Blake Manor about 4 miles to park entrance on right.
- 📍 Travis County (512) 854-7275
https://parks.traviscountytx.gov

16. Bradfield Village Park, Buda

- There are two fishing ponds in the park; one is regularly stocked with channel catfish. Other amenities include a playground, picnic tables, benches, BBQ pit and water fountain.
- ♥ Located at 140 Crescent Drive. From I-35, take exit 221 and turn onto Loop 4 North. Drive 1 mile to entrance of Bradfield Village.
- 📍 City of Buda (512) 295-7170 www.ci.buda.tx.us

17. Lake Kyle, Kyle

- This park opened in the spring of 2012 and provides a fishing pier and bank access to the 19-acre lake. A nature trail, playscape, and washer and horseshoe pits will be available. No pets allowed.
- 📍 TPWD Tackle Loaner site. Families can borrow fishing equipment from office.
- ♥ Located at 700 Lehman Road. From I-35 in Kyle, take FM 150 east, turn north on Lehman Road and go about 1/2 mile.
- 📍 City of Kyle (512) 262-3939 www.cityofkyle.com/recreation

18. McKinney Falls State Park, Austin

- Onion Creek runs through the park and offers some good bank fishing. The park also has wonderful hiking trails and camping. Entrance fee.
- 📍 TPWD Tackle Loaner site. Families can borrow fishing equipment from office.
- ♥ Located on McKinney Falls Parkway. Going south out of Austin on 183, after you pass Hwy. 71 turn right/west on McKinney Falls Parkway; park entrance will be on your right after the TPWD headquarters.
- 📍 Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (512) 243-1643
www.tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/mckinney-falls

Most of the small lakes are "Community Fishing Lakes" and have special harvest regulations for catfish. Please consult TPW Outdoor Annual for current fishing regulations.

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This is not a complete list of all fishing spots in the Austin area.