SPICEWOOD SPRINGS CREEK
31.0144° -98.4572°
The inviting area of pools and waterfalls is a great place
to cool off in the clear, spring-fed waters. Swim at your
own risk, and help us protect this area by Leaving No Trace.

SCENIC OVERLOOK
31.0267° -98.4553°
Situated in the uplands, this overlook provides views of
the Colorado River canyon and Post Oak Falls. It’s also the
spot in the park with the most reliable cell phone reception.

DOGLEG CANYON VIEW
31.0474° -98.4690°
Enjoy this hidden canyon that feeds the Colorado River.
Cliff walls and interesting rock outcroppings make
this a unique destination. Include this stop in a hike to
Gorman Falls.

TINAJA
31.0501° -98.4975°
This bedrock depression, carved by springs and seeps,
is an important ecological feature as it supports unique
plant communities and wildlife.

GORMAN SPRING
31.0519° -98.4858°
Subterranean waters from miles of contributing
drainage are forced to the surface, feeding German Creek
and providing the mineral compounds that
have built Gorman Falls. Living within the creek
is one of the purest strains of our state fish, the
Guadalupe bass.

GORMAN FALLS
31.0584° -98.4821°
Rising 65 feet above the river, Gorman Falls is a
unique geologic formation that supports a sensitive
ecosystem. The mineral-rich spring water deposits
layers of calcite, slowly building formations called
travertine. Protect this very fragile area by viewing
it from a distance.

RIVER OVERLOOK
31.0649° -98.4856°
You can see for miles at this overlook which sits more
than 200 feet above the Colorado River. Look for
Gorman Falls to the south.
Colorado Bend State Park

Discover the quiet wilderness of Colorado Bend State Park.

Rugged beauty and hidden gems await as you hike or bike miles of spectacular trails. From gorgeous views to pristine waters, and deep canyons to riverside trails, there are options for everyone!

STAYING SAFE

KNOW YOUR LIMITS. Watch out for uneven terrain, and don't venture into areas beyond your ability.

DRINK PLENTY OF WATER. Your body quickly loses fluids when you're on the trail. Bring a quart (32 oz.) of water per hour of activity.

TELL OTHERS WHERE YOU'LL BE. If possible, avoid exploring alone. Tell someone where you are going and when you plan to return.

WEAR A HELMET. When mountain biking, check with park HQ to match the trail to your skill level. Wear a helmet to protect yourself in case of a crash.

HAZARDS EXIST ALONG THE TRAILS. Many trails are rugged. Watch out for cliffs, caves, dangerous plants and animals, and slippery stream crossings.

CHECK FOR TRAIL CLOSURES. Certain trails may be closed during prescribed burns or for other resource management work.

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<td>Our most popular trail is very rocky, has little shade, and includes a steep and slippery descent near the falls. Bring more water than you think you need, and know your own limits.</td>
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