



RISING FROM THE GRASSLANDS OF THE CHIHUAHUAN DESERT, THE DAVIS MOUNTAINS ARE A SKY ISLAND – A MOUNTAIN OASIS SURROUNDED BY A VAST OCEAN OF DESERT BECKONING YOU TO EXPLORE ITS SECRETS. COOLER TEMPERATURES AND INCREASED RAINFALL OFFER PROTECTION AND ESCAPE FROM THE HOT DESERT LOWLANDS FOR PEOPLE AND WILDLIFE ALIKE. THE WORK OF THE CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR THIS TEXAS TREASURE.



Javelina are a common sight in the Davis Mountains.

Davis Mountains State Park is a globally important birdwatching area and premier stargazing location. You can also enjoy hiking, mountain biking and day-use horseback-riding trails, camping and park ranger-led programs. McDonald Observatory and Fort Davis National Historic Site are nearby. We encourage you to tread lightly and help protect this unique and sensitive environment.

- ♦ **Keep Wildlife Wild** – Please don't feed or harass wildlife.
- ♦ **Trash Your Trash or Pack it Out** – It's ugly and can make wildlife sick.
- ♦ **Take Only Memories and Pictures** – Leave all plants, wildlife, rocks and artifacts for future visitors to enjoy.
- ♦ **Be Safe** – Bring water and proper footwear for hikes. Know where you are in case you need to call for help in an emergency. Many trail areas do not have cell phone coverage.
- ♦ **Stick to the Trails** – Reduce impact and steer clear of things that can poke, prick, bite or sting you.
- ♦ **Protect Your Pets** – Keep them on a leash no more than six feet in length and please pick up after them.
- ♦ **Be Kind to Other Visitors** – Yield to visitors on horseback and watch for mountain bikers.
- ♦ **Protect Our Dark Skies** – Home to some of the darkest skies in Texas, we recommend using minimal campsite lighting.

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