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I am so excited to have you visiting! This packet was put together to give you some ideas about what you might do during your time in Waco, Texas. It also includes some helpful tips to make the most of your stay (hint: there's a way to open up the blinds without having to get out of bed!).

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, as I want to make your stay as lovely as possible.





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BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

"Visit Baylor University to see a game, tour a museum, or just walk around the beautiful campus."

baylor.edu

MAGNOLIA

"Visit the silos for a full afternoon of shopping, or stop by the Little Shop on Bosque to shop the deals. Open Monday - Saturday. Check out the special events as well."

magnolia.com/visit/

CAMERON PARK ZOO

"Slide through acrobatic otters floating around you. Look nose to nose with a lion named Kai. Stand a glass-pane away from gliding clownfish ... Hear bats flutter, get soaked by a practical-joking orangutan ... Enjoy a real-life adventure at Waco's 52-acre Natural Habitat Cameron Park Zoo along the Brazos River."

cameronparkzoo.com

WACO DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET

"Providing Waco with fresh produce, meats, and meals since 2011. The Market is open every Saturday from 9:00am to 1:00pm featuring

the best local agricultural producers and artisan vendors within 150-miles of Waco."

wacodowntownfarmersmarket.org

WACO MAMMOTH NATIONAL MONUMENT

"Sits within 100 acres of wooded parkland along the Bosque River. ... The site offers an escape from the modern world and provides a glimpse into the lives and habitat of Columbian mammoths and other Ice Age animals."

nps.gov/waco/

HOMESTEAD CRAFT VILLAGE

"Located 5 miles northwest of Waco, offers shopping, dining, and self-guided tours. The 18-acre complex includes a 200-year old barn, the Potter's House, a woodworking shop, a restored 1760 gristmill, fiber arts, herb garden, and more.

Be sure to shop for hand crafted items in the Gift Barn and enjoy lunch or a decadent dessert at Café Homestead."

homesteadcraftvillage.com





THE BACKYARD WACO

"Come to the Waco Backyard Stage and Grill for all your drinking, eating, partying, and concert-going needs!"

backyardwaco.com

WACO HIPPODROME THEATRE

"Since 1914, the Hippodrome has been known to host a wide variety of high-quality Broadway-style acts and entertainment such as silent films, vaudeville shows, and traveling performers – even live performing seals. Today, the spirit of live entertainment endures at the Hippodrome – minus the seals."

wacohippodrometheatre.com

HOOPER-SCHAEFER FINE ARTS CENTER

"This state-of-the-art facility at Baylor houses three working theatre spaces:

- the Jones Theatre, a 356-seat proscenium
- the Mabee Theatre, a 246-seat thrust
- and Theatre 11, a multi-form space with movable seating and masking and an extensive lighting/sound grid."

baylortheatre.evenue.net





Sit down walk up

CAFÉ CAPPUCCINO

"Time for a coffee break? Or maybe a delicious breakfast or lunch? Cafe Cappuccino is your special home away from home, proudly serving Waco our signature gourmet breakfasts and luncheons in two convenient locations!"

cafecappuccino.com

THE OLIVE BRANCH

"...The Olive Branch remains a Wacotown staple with our market-style kitchen, fresh ingredients, and growing selection of wine. Situated in the heart of downtown Waco, The Olive Branch is a fresh take on a Modern Market paired with the luxury of Vintage Wine."

olivebranchwaco.com

GEORGE'S RESTAURANT

"Serving Chicken Fried Steak and Big O Beer in a laid back atmosphere to Central Texas since 1930!"

georgesrestaurant.com

UNION HALL

"Taking its cue from European markets, Union Hall brings local chefs and entrepreneurs under one roof, offering delicious and diverse dining options from multiple stalls while friends, families and neighbors dine at common tables."

unionhallwaco.com

FRANKLIN AVE MAC HOUSE

"Visit this walk-up restaurant to enjoy macaroni & cheese, grilled cheese, salads, soups, and fresh-squeezed lemonade. Outdoor seating only."

machousewaco.com

HEALTH CAMP

"Way Back in 1948, just three years after World War II, a young Jack Schaevitz built a mobile canteen to serve ice cream and burgers to military personnel at the Connally Air Force Base in Waco, Texas. Jack's cart was such a hit, that a year later in 1949, he opened the Health Camp ... his restaurant continues today offering the finest frozen custard, ice cream and burgers."

health-camp-waco.com





VITEK'S MARKET

"William Martin Vitek, a butcher, opened the doors of Vitek's Grocery and Meat Market in Granger, TX in 1915 later moving it to a small piece of property in South Waco. A butcher by trade and a good businessman by heart, he truly cared about his customers and committed to providing them with high quality meats and other foods. He showed his appreciation by fulfilling their special requests—whatever it would take to make them happy—creating the foundation upon which Vitek's BBQ was built and is still the way it operates today."

viteksmarket.com



SPLENDID OAKS CHOCOLATES

"Fine Belgian Chocolates Handmade in Waco, Texas."

facebook.com/SplendidOaksChocolates/





COMMON GROUNDS

"Locally owned coffee house with a wide selection of drinks and a live music venue. This eclectic coffee shop is a longtime favorite of locals and students. Located next to the Baylor Campus, it has a charming atmosphere and great coffee, whether you are studying or just relaxing."

cgwaco.com

PINEWOOD ROASTERS

"We have two passions - coffee & hospitality.
Our goal is to genuinely care about product,
people and our community. We take great
care to support our Pinewood family - from
green coffee farmers, our baristas & our
patrons."

pinewoodroasters.com/coffee/

PINEWOOD PUBLIC HOUSE

"We offer beer on tap, singles, organic wine by the glass, retail beer & wine bottles to-go. The pub is designed to continue our desire to create a space that cultivates community & hospitality."

pinewoodroasters.com/beer/

DICHOTOMY COFFEE & SPIRTS

"Come by to enjoy an expresso or a craft cocktail. Located downtown, Dichotomy is in the heart of Waco."

dichotomycs.com

BITTY & BEAU'S COFFEE

"Amy & Ben Wright are the proud parents of four children — Lillie, Emma Grace, Beau and Bitty. Lillie was born with autism, and Bitty & Beau were born with Down syndrome. The Wrights believe that Bitty & Beau's Coffee creates a path for people with disabilities to become more valued, accepted and included in every community. The original shop opened January 2016 in Wilmington, NC, and employed 19 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities."

bittyandbeauscoffee.com/location/waco/

VALLEY MILLS VINEYARDS

"We make fine wines from 100% Texas-grown grapes. A great love for viticulture underlies all that we do, and we are meticulous in caring for the multiple vineyards we farm."

valleymillsvineyards.com





BARE ARMS BREWING

"Waco's 1st craft brewery, voted #1 by Locals Love Us year over year. We honor those that roll up their sleeves, bare arms, work hard, and perfect their craft, thus our name. We offer many flagships that can be found in restaurants, and we feature seasonals, specials, and one-of-a-kinds that can only be found in our taproom. So visit us often to see what's new."

barearms.beer

BALCONES DISTILLING

"Come by for a drink or join us for a tour of our distillery as we walk you through our distillation process that creates world-class whiskies in the heart of downtown Waco. Starting at our grain silos and finishing with a sampling of our whiskies, you'll learn what makes Balcones unique."

balconesdistilling.com

WACO ALE CO.

"We use the highest quality ingredients to create award-winning craft beers for every palate. Whether you're a beginner looking for just a little more flavor, or a connoisseur looking for the rarest of brews, you will find what you're looking for right here."

wacoaleco.com







SPICE VILLAGE

"Welcome to Spice Village: a collection of shops that has everything you need to add a little or a lot of zest to your life! Collegiate, kids, baby, home decor, men's accessories, jewelry, souvenirs, bath & body, candles, clothing and so much more! This 30,000 square feet shopping experience you do not want to pass up. Located in downtown Waco, TX for the last 20 years and we are proud to have been spicing up people's lives since 1997!"

spicewaco.com

FOX & GRAY

"Located near the Silos, this shop features women's clothing, accessories, and gifts."

foxandgraywaco.com

WILDLAND SUPPLY CO.

"This Waco store is just the right place for the urban fashionista looking to expand her wardrobe. Wildland Supply Co. is home to everything from candles to stationery, and organic looking jewelry."

shopwildland.com

ROOTS BOUTIQUE

"Taking its cue from European markets, Union Hall brings local chefs and entrepreneurs under one roof, offering delicious and diverse dining options from multiple stalls while friends, families and neighbors dine at common tables."

unionhallwaco.com

FRANKLIN AVE MAC HOUSE

"Shoppers will delight in the over-sized boutique filled with a Califonia farmhouse, vintage decor. From high-fashion designer denim, affordable trendsetting dresses, shoes, and accessories to an adorable baby boutique, 'Little Root', and seasonal quick pick-up gifts for your home or reading nook.... it's all at Roots."

rootsboutique.com

MAINSTREAM BOUTIQUE

"Mainstream Boutique is a women's retail clothing boutique to love, strengthen and celebrate the women in our communities."

mainstreamboutique.com





SUMMER ELLIS

"Summer has brought together a fine balance of organic and minimal style into her jewelry collection. Each piece is filled with meaning, boasting impeccable design and flawless execution while maintaining a timeless beauty. Customers and buyers appreciate the use of quality metals [14kt. gold-fill & sterling silver] and genuine gemstones."

summerellis.com



THE FINDERY

"Our family is made up of three shops living under one roof—so no matter your style, you will be sure to find that perfect something ... Also visit the Findery Marketplace, a block behind the Findery, this is a recent extension which has it's own distinct merchandise, featuring more unique finds, larger items, better deals, and more diverse home decor."

thefindery.net

SIRONIA

"Sironia is home to the most unique and inspired shopping in Waco! We have a curated collection of specialty boutiques all under one roof! Not to brag, but we also have the best lunch in Waco! We are FAMOUS for our Sironia Trio. Come try it today!"

sironiawaco.com

WILDLAND SUPPLY CO.

"Through our partnerships with local artists, we offer carefully curated items for hosting and entertaining at home. We hope our unique selection of functional art will help you create a space you love—whether that be limited to one room or your entire house."

gatherwaco.com

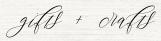
HARP DESIGN CO.

"As seen on Fixer Upper, we are a team of craftsmen and designers, always looking to build something that will provide meaning and add character to a home. We handcraft our pieces to last, using a mix of old-world technique and modern technology. This quality craftsmanship and our unique style can be seen in every piece of furniture we deliver.."

harpdesignco.com







PAPER CROWN

"Paper Crown is a craft boutique that offers supplies and classes in a wide variety of areas such as paper and textile arts, painting, mixed media, and calligraphy."

papercrownwaco.com

JANUARY LETTERPRESS

"Stationery store and custom letterpress studio in downtown Waco, TX."

januaryletterpress.com

STUDIO GALLERY

"Get ready for endless possibilities. You will discover a unique experience when you enter our gallery and framing store. Our creative staff has an unsurpassed passion for detail and craftsmanship. Inspired by your personal style, we are here to provide you with the perfect solution for your home or office."

studiogallerywaco.com

JDH IRON DESIGNS

"Welcome to JDH Iron Designs, as seen on HGTV's Fixer Upper with Chip & Joanna Gaines! Specializing in custom metal art designs from wall art and home decor to custom projects & everything in between, JDH Iron Designs is your one-stop shop for your metal design project needs!"

jdhirondesigns.com

BRAZOS RIVER SUPPLY CO.

"Brazos River Supply Co. is a store that's loud and proud about everything it means to be Texan. Established by native Texan Coleburn Davis, Brazos River Supply Co. is an authentically Texan purveyor of goods for living the Texan life."

brazosriversupplyco.com







FABLED BOOKSHOP & CAFÉ

"Located in the heart of downtown Waco, Texas, Fabled Bookshop & Cafe offers new books in general categories, unique toys and gifts, a cafe serving coffee, food, beer and wine, as well as a private event space. Featuring an iconic outdoor mural, 6-foot wooden owl, Narnia-esque lamppost, and a secret wardrobe entrance into the children's section, Fabled offers a nostalgic and whimsical environment for readers of all ages."

fabledbookshop.com

GOLDEN'S BOOK EXCHANGE

"Whether your taste is romance, horror, westerns, mysteries, history, biographies, cookbooks or science fiction, Golden's has a massive selection of used books for every person and taste."

goldensbookswaco.com

BRAZOS BOOKS

"You can always find tons of bargain books at Brazos Books! We have many, many thousands of books of every size and type. We always have a huge number of books on sale, marked down to a fraction of their original retail price. Our regularly priced mass market paperback books are priced at half of the original retail price. Most of our larger paperback and hardback books are discounted much more!"

brazosbookswaco.com





LA SALLE SHOPPES

"We are an incredibly unique, everchanging collection of shoppes featuring 50+ vendors with varying styles, specialties, and collections of merchandise."

lasalleshoppes.com

JUNQUE IN THE TRUNK

"We have created one of the most distinctive shopping experiences anywhere, with a balanced mix of vintage, shabby, antique, world market, and one of a kind finds, along with local handmade items. It's a concept built on customer service, quality, and the love of decorating with an uncommon flair for uniqueness. We hope you enjoy this unique shopping experience online, or come see in person. We have been voted the Best Antique Store in Waco for the past 6 years!" junqueinthetrunk.com

THE JUNKY MONKEY

"Antiques, primitives, junk, architectural salvage, and a trendy boutique in the Heart of Waco. Come Experience The Junky Monkey! Waco's FUN place to shop! Closed Sunday and Monday."

facebook.com/TheJunkyMonkey/

RIVERSIDE RELICS

"Riverside Relics is the perfect place to find that one-of-a-kind accessory for your home decor! Our store consists of multiple vendors that specialize in different items from adorable clothing to beautifully redone furniture. We have lots of vintage, rustic, and shabby chic decor items as well. Our vendors are also always willing to find that perfect item for you, and even change up your furniture to meet your new style! We also plan to have monthly vintage/rummage style yard sales that you can find great deals at or sell your own items!"

facebook.com/riversiderelics/

CENTRAL GOODS

"A curated collection of vendors specializing in antiques and vintage."

facebook.com/centralgoodswaco/

LAVERTY'S

"Laverty's opened in 1994 in the historic Sanger Heights district and has been rocking ever since. We announce our open dates on Facebook but most weekends you can find us there!"

> facebook.com/Lavertys-Antiques-Furnishings-226195344057801/





CAMERON PARK

"One of the largest municipal parks in Texas, and it's where Waco celebrates life! Located right next door to downtown and the Brazos River, the park is an oasis with towering trees, two rivers, breathtaking cliffs and a National Recreation Trail system ... Hikers and bikers share the park with fishermen, disc golfers and picnickers."

waco-texas.com/cms-parksandrecreation/page.aspx?id=310#gsc.tab=0

SUSPENSION BRIDGE & RIVERWALK

"The historic Suspension Bridge was completed in 1870 and remains a legendary icon of downtown Waco. For years, the bridge served as a Chisholm Trail crossing, and at the time of its completion, it was the longest single-span suspension bridge west of the Mississippi. The bridge was built with cable supplied by the John Roebling Co., who built the Brooklyn Bridge in New York City.

The bridge is flanked by two great Waco parks — Indian Spring Park on the west side, and Martin Luther King, Jr. park on the east side."

waco-texas.com/cms-parksandrecreation/ page.aspx?id=50#gsc.tab=0

BSR WACO

"Who would have thought - Four Extreme Water Slides, The Worlds Longest Lazy River, World Championship Cable Wake Boarding Circuit and a World Class Surf Pool...in Waco, Texas?! Stay the night in one of our surf view hotel rooms, or Lake View Cabins!"

bsrcablepark.com

WACO PADDLE COMPANY

"We offer stand-up paddle boards, kayaks, and canoes to rent on the Brazos River in Downtown Waco. Weekdays - by appointment."

wacopaddlecompany.com





DR. PEPPER MUSEUM

"Built in 1906 by architect Milton Scott, the Artesian Manufacturing and Bottling Company was the first building dedicated to the manufacturing of Dr Pepper ... Today it is the Museum's largest artifact and a tribute to the imagination and talent that fueled Dr Pepper's success throughout the years.."

drpeppermuseum.com

CULTIVATE 7TWELVE

"An art gallery and event space that's home to Creative Waco. The gallery's monthly exhibitions showcase the talents of Waco's artists. See something you like? All the art on display is on sale, so you can leave with a new conversation starter for your home."

waco7twelve.com

MARTIN MUSEUM OF ART

"Exhibitions complement the courses of art history and studio art taught within the Department of Art at Baylor University. Temporary and traveling art exhibitions featuring nationally and internationally recognized artists are presented throughout the year."

baylor.edu/martinmuseum/

MAYBORN MUSEUM

"The Mayborn Museum Complex features a natural science and cultural history museum focusing on Central Texas with walk-in dioramas including one on the Waco Mammoth Site, and exploration stations for geology, paleontology, archaeology, and natural history. In addition to the natural history exhibits, there are two floors of themed discovery rooms which encourage hands-on learning for all ages and a historic village located on the banks of the Brazos River."

baylor.edu/mayborn/

ART CENTER WACO

"Serves as a creative force in the community for teaching, displaying, promoting, and preserving vital arts that enrich and inspire us."

artcenterwaco.org





"ACTIVATE OPEN/CLOSE SHADES."

Opens or closes all the shades in the living area of the house.

"ACTIVATE OPEN/CLOSE GUEST SHADE."

Opens or closes shade specifically in the guest room.

"ACTIVATE OPEN/CLOSE MASTER SHADE."

Opens or closes shade specifically in the master bedroom.

"TURN ON/OFF MASTER."

Turns all of the lights on or off in the master bedroom.

"PLAY MUSIC ON 'PARTY TIME.'"

Plays the same music on all of the speakers around the home.

"MOVIE TIME."

Lowers shades, turns down lights, and turns on speaker and projector in preparation for a movie.

