

*State Fair*  
**ANIMAL  
ENCOUNTERS  
★ GUIDE ★**

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**W**ith hundreds of entertaining activities to choose from, the State Fair of Texas is the ultimate family playground. To help make the most of your visit, use this itinerary as a guide. All of these activities are included with your admission to the State Fair of Texas. For an exciting day of animal encounters, we suggest arriving at the Fair at 11 AM. Activities on this itinerary start near the livestock area of the fairgrounds, so entering the park at either Gate 10, 11 or the Pan Am Gate is recommended.

For a complete list of daily activities, visit [bigtex.com/schedule](http://bigtex.com/schedule).



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# ITINERARY

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| <b>10 AM – CLOSE</b>   | <b>1</b> Children's Health Barnyard            |
| <b>10 AM – 7 PM</b>    | <b>2</b> Little Hands on the Farm              |
| <b>10:30 AM</b>        | <b>3</b> Livestock 101 Stage                   |
| <b>11:30 AM</b>        | <b>4</b> Kids' Pedal Tractor Pulls             |
| <b>12:30 PM</b>        | <b>5</b> Livestock Guided Tours                |
| <b>1:30 PM</b>         | <b>6</b> Lone Star Stampede                    |
| <b>10 AM – 7 PM</b>    | <b>7</b> I Spy Texas                           |
| <b>4:30 PM</b>         | <b>8</b> Milking Demos                         |
| <b>10 AM – 6:30 PM</b> | <b>9</b> Big Tex's Farmyard                    |
| <b>6:00 PM</b>         | <b>10</b> Wild West Pet Palooza                |
| <b>10 AM – 7 PM</b>    | <b>11</b> Budweiser Clydesdales Stable Display |



## 1 CHILDREN'S HEALTH BARNYARD

Get up close and personal with a variety of four-legged friends, from giraffes and zebras to pigs and goats. While you're there, make sure and visit the nursery where sows, ewes, nanny goats and their young are on display. Fun for the whole family, this petting zoo allows fairgoers to interact with all their furry friends, and even get the chance to feed them!

## 2 LITTLE HANDS ON THE FARM

Kids love this fun and interactive exhibit where they learn how food gets from farm to table. Activities on this miniature farm include planting seeds, gathering eggs and driving a tiny tractor before harvesting crops and taking them to market. With the earnings from sold crops, snacks can be purchased in the General Store. Suitable for toddlers to eight years old.

## 3 LIVESTOCK 101 STAGE

Catch a fun and informative presentation from resident livestock experts. Learn all about the animals being exhibited in the barns before taking a tour later on in the day. By then, you too will be an expert!

## 4 KIDS' TRACTOR PULLS

Kiddos can join the fun and come test their tractor skills at Kids' Pedal Tractor Pulls. Children age four to 12 can

test out their tractor-driving abilities and compete to win prizes while the crowd cheers them on. Each vintage pedal tractor is weighted so the farther one pedals, the harder it is to reach the finish line. Kids compete to see who can pull the most weight.

## 5 LIVESTOCK GUIDED TOURS

Want to get up close and personal with State Fair livestock? Take a tour of their living quarters and have all your questions answered by resident student experts! Livestock is at the heart of Texas culture, economy and livelihood. At the State Fair livestock barns you can test your livestock terminology and check out more than 15 different breeds of cattle, along with an assortment of sheep, rabbits, llamas and more. 16 daily guided tours every 30 minutes from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily, departing from the Champions Row area in Ag-Power Plaza.

## 6 LONE STAR STAMPEDE

Watch the tale of the American West come alive through this award-winning performance, featuring quintessential Western themes like stagecoaches, horses, cowboys and bandits. This can't-miss event showcases traditional Native American dancers, sharpshooters and a Texas Longhorn cattle drive.

## 7 I SPY TEXAS

Learn all about Texas agriculture and natural resources at "I Spy Texas," a new interactive exhibit in the Science Place building.

## 8 MILKING DEMOS

Cows from nearby farms are brought to the State Fair for an entertaining and educational exhibit of modern milking procedures. Be sure to stop by for this unique demonstration!

## 9 BIG TEX'S FARMYARD

Old McDonald himself would be impressed by what's happening over on Big Tex's farm. Located next to the Kids' Boardwalk, Big Tex's Farmyard provides an educational experience through interactive exhibits as well as live animal displays, including calves, piglets and hatching chicks. Learn all about agriculture and its impact on the state of Texas, from the importance of farming and ranching to the process of raising and caring for animals.

## 10 WILD WEST PET PALOOZA

The Wild West Pet Palooza, featuring Joel Slaven's Professional Animals, includes an array of comical skits starring animals that have been rescued from shelters across the nation. Boasting an impressive

cast of critters ranging from cats and dogs to pigs and porcupines, this show is full of family fun. The show is run by nationally acclaimed animal trainer Joel Slaven, who has been working with animals for more than 40 years and has trained animals for major films such as *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective* and *That Dam Cat*. Slaven and his staff of trainers have adopted hundreds of homeless pets and brought them back to star in shows all around the country.

## 11 BUDWEISER CLYDESDALES STABLE DISPLAY

Last appearing at the Fair in 2005, the Budweiser Clydesdales are making a long-awaited return to the great State Fair of Texas. After serving as a fairgoer favorite for so many years, the beloved Budweiser Clydesdales are back by popular demand – returning as a special exhibit, open all 24 days of the Fair. Guests of all ages can see these renowned horses up close, as well as learn about the history of the Clydesdales and their role as ambassadors for Anheuser-Busch. The Budweiser Clydesdales Stable Display is located in Chevrolet Park Plaza.