

State Fair

FOODIE ★ GUIDE ★

Experience the flavor of Texas at the State Fair. Use this itinerary as your guide to find fun-filled activities that are sure to satisfy your taste buds. After all, what's the Fair without food?

For a complete list of daily activities, visit bigtex.com/schedule.



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| 10:30 AM | 1 | Check out the judging in the Competition Kitchen |
| 10 AM – 7 PM | 2 | See what's growing at Big Tex Urban Farms |
| 12:30 PM | 3 | Watch a Cooking Demo in the Celebrity Chef Kitchen |
| 10 AM – CLOSE | 4 | Get free samples at the GO TEXAN Pavilion |
| 10 AM – 7 PM | 5 | Pick up your copy of the 2017 State Fair of Texas Cookbook |
| 12 PM – CLOSE | 6 | Treat yourself to a cookie bucket at Stifler's Mom's Cookie Factory |
| 10 AM – CLOSE | 7 | Browse the Coliseum Marketplace |
| 10 AM – CLOSE | 8 | Grab a Fletcher's Corny Dog and take a picture in Big Tex Circle |
| 7:15 PM | 9 | Watch the parade from the Magnolia Beer Garden |
| 10 AM – CLOSE | 10 | Say "Howdy" to Neon Big Tex from the new Gulf Coast Grill |



1 CHECK OUT THE JUDGING IN THE COMPETITION KITCHEN

Do you want to experience some good old-fashioned cooking competitions? Well, look no further than the Competition Kitchen in the Creative Arts building! In this kitchen you will find competitors of all ages, from children to professional chefs, cooking up savory dishes of their own creation to win over the judges.

2 SEE WHAT'S GROWING AT BIG TEX URBAN FARMS

A revolutionary urban garden system in the heart of Fair Park. In alignment with the Fair's mission of promoting agriculture, education, and community involvement, Big Tex Urban Farms serves as an outdoor learning space while providing fresh, organic produce to the surrounding communities. During this year's Fair some of the planters will be housed in the Errol McKoy Greenhouse on the Midway, where guests can see how the newest crops are doing.

3 WATCH A COOKING DEMO IN THE CELEBRITY CHEF KITCHEN

For those of you looking for a true culinary experience, be sure to attend one of the Fair's daily Celebrity Chef Demos, where popular chefs from some of Texas's most prominent restaurants show off their skills. Chefs prepare a signature dish, share

tips and answer audience questions, also giving audience members a chance to sample their culinary creations at the end of each demonstration. With four to five demonstrations from different chefs every day, fairgoers get to explore the diverse culinary establishments available in our local landscape.

4 GET FREE SAMPLES AT THE GO TEXAN PAVILION

Known to fairgoers as the ultimate food destination for all things Texan, the GO TEXAN Pavilion is a daily showcase of Lone Star cuisine. Provided by the Texas Department of Agriculture, the GO TEXAN Pavilion offers 25,000 square feet of space which houses dozens of exhibitors on a daily basis. Features include a range of exhibitors such as Texas honey and live bees, Texas toffee sampling, Kitchen Craft cooking demos, indoor garden displays, interactive agriculture shows, shopping at the Pioneer Brand GO TEXAN Store, Texas forestry games and crafts, live music and dancing on the Gazebo Stage, and much, much more.

5 PICK UP YOUR COPY OF THE 2017 STATE FAIR OF TEXAS COOKBOOK

A must for every State Fair food fan, the State Fair Cookbook is filled with a collection of Prize Winning Recipes from the 2016 Creative Arts Competition. Featuring recipes from 24 different competitions,

from cookies to one pot meals, there is something for everyone to enjoy in the SFT Cookbook. If you can't wait until you get home, each week, the State Fair of Texas features a recipe from previous Creative Arts Winners. Grab your SFT Cookbook today and start enjoying the taste of the Fair!

6 TREAT YOURSELF TO A COOKIE BUCKET AT STIFLER'S MOM'S COOKIE FACTORY

Stifler's Mom's Cookie Factory will be serving up gourmet chocolate chip cookies and milk by the masses. Debuting on the Midway this year, the factory showcases two observation windows and boasts the ability to bake 800 cookies every 11 minutes. Fairgoers can order cookies by the bucket or in a bag of six, and then watch the baking process from start to finish.

7 BROWSE THE COLISEUM MARKETPLACE

The ideal destination for shoppers, the Coliseum Market Place offers more than 60 exhibits featuring crafts, clothing, accessories, jewelry, food, health and beauty, home décor, household goods, pet products, tools and travel merchandise.

8 GRAB A FLETCHER'S CORNY DOG AND TAKE A PICTURE IN BIG TEX CIRCLE

Make sure to stop by a Fletcher's Corny Dog stand and experience a true State Fair of Texas icon, the Corny Dog. While you're enjoying that delicious golden delicacy-on-a-stick, mosey on over to Big Tex and take a picture with Texas's friendliest cowboy.

9 WATCH THE PARADE FROM THE MAGNOLIA BEER GARDEN

A hidden gem at the State Fair of Texas, the Magnolia Beer Garden is the ideal destination for beer connoisseurs, as well as all fairgoers looking for a nice place to sit down and unwind. Patrons love this relaxing environment, located in the outdoor courtyard of the historic Magnolia Lounge. Complete with a canopy of trees and a shaded balcony, this is guaranteed to be one of the best places to experience the sights and sounds of the nightly Starlight Parade.

10 SAY "HOWDY" TO NEON BIG TEX FROM THE NEW GULF COAST GRILL

The Gulf Coast Grill brings another destination to relax between activities or grab a bite to eat, located next to the Leonhardt Lagoon across from Cotton Bowl Plaza. The island-style grill rounds out the Fair's restaurant lineup with a tropical flair, and will also feature live music from local artists on weekends.