

## **GUYS WEEKEND IN FORT WORTH**

Eat. Drink. Be manly. Fort Worth is adventurous and tough, filled with outdoor sports, Texas-sized meals and North Texas' only artisanal bourbon distillery, making it the perfect destination for a guy's weekend.

## DAY ONE

Rise and shine at **Paris Coffee Shop** located in the Near Southside for a he-man-sized breakfast that has been served up since the great depression. Generous portions of biscuits and sausage gravy, French toast, pancakes and eggs are served up for less than \$5, Monday through Saturday.

Bait your line for some early morning fishing at **Greenbriar** or **Trinity Park**, two neighborhood ponds regularly stocked with catfish and rainbow trout. Rent a canoe or kayak from **Backwoods Kayak & Canoe Rental** and head out on the Trinity River, which is accessible from downtown, the Cultural District and the Stockyards National Historic District.

Take a break from the trail and feast on all things smoked and slow-cooked at **Woodshed Smokehouse**, where a selection of beef, chicken, pork, wild game, fish and vegetables are always available. Peddle over to **Rodeo Goat** –recently voted the Best Burger in DFW – atop one of the 300 Trek bicycles available for rent from one of the 30-plus **Fort Worth's Bike Share** stations.

Spend the afternoon at LaGrave Field with the Fort Worth Cats, an independent minor league baseball team that has hosted baseball legends Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb and Rogers Hornsby. Root for the home team, Major League Baseball's American League Texas Rangers, at Globe Life Park located a mere 20 minutes away from downtown. During football season, suit up and put on your game day best before heading to AT&T Stadium, home of the Dallas Cowboys and the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders. Start your pre-game festivities at T&P Tavern, a restored rail station tavern featuring an extensive menu of food and craft beers that is steps away from downtown and Sundance Square.

Beat the crowd and enjoy the game at any of Fort Worth's sports bars. Kick back with a frosty mug at **Boomer Jack's Grill and Bar** located along West 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Montgomery Plaza, or satisfy your hungry with New York-style wings, pizza and subs at **Buffalo Bros** located on University Drive near the TCU drag. **Frankie's Sports Bar and Grill** in Sundance Square has been recognized by *USA Today* as one of the "Top 10 Places to Drink," and offers 20 draught selections, 60 house-made items and over 70 high-definition displays to watch the game.

## DAY TWO

Start the day with a hearty helping of chorizo, papas and huevos from **Esperanza's Restaurant and Bakery**. For a later start, head to **Fred's Texas Café** or **Pour House Sports Grill** for brunch, where steak and manmosas abound.

Play eighteen holes at the **Golf Club at Fossil Creek** designed by Arnold Palmer, with a course rating of 72. Not quite a pro yet? Take a private lesson from a Lead Master Instructor hand-selected by Jim McLean himself at **Jim McLean Golf School** - one of the country's top golf academies.

Sample the best in craft beer and bourbon at local breweries and distilleries. Enjoy the afternoon at **Rahr & Sons Brewing Company**, the third-largest craft brewery in the state of Texas, offering tour and tastings every Wednesday from 5-7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 1-3 p.m. Put some hair on your chest at North Texas' only artisanal distillery, **Firestone & Robertson Distilling Co.**, whose TX Blended Whiskey recently won "Best American Craft Whiskey" at the 2013 San Francisco World Spirit Competition. Taste the sweetness of honey butter, banana, caramel and coffee during public tours held on select Saturdays.

Start the night with dinner on the rooftop of **Reata Restaurant** located in Sundance Square. Diners enjoy a spectacular view of downtown, while feasting on Cowboy Cuisine, including choices of 16-oz Cowboy Bone-In Rib Eye, Blackened Buffalo Rib Eye with Cook's Butter, and Steak and Lobster. For a taste of Texas BBQ, lick your fingers at **Angelo's Great Texas BBQ**, where juicy and tender pork ribs have been served for over 50 years. **Bonnell's Fine Texas Cuisine** is downhome, yet upscale, making for the perfect guys night out. Venison, wild boar, quail and fish all grace the menu, leaving bellies full and happy.

Kick up your boots at **Billy Bob's Texas** – the world's largest honky-tonk, while listening to your favorite Country Western band. Mix and mingle in the West 7<sup>th</sup> Street District, a popular hangout for the midtwenties crowd. Or, keep it real and casual in the Near Southside District, where popular Mixologists pour up specially crafted cocktails to a sophisticated crowd.