



What's COOKING

HOLIDAY HOURS Beginning December 1

Monday - Friday
10:30 am to 10:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday
2:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Thanksgiving Day
Closed - Happy Thanksgiving
Christmas Eve
Reservations preferred!

Open 10:30 am
Waiting list names taken until 7:00 pm

Christmas Day
Closed- Merry Christmas!

New Year's Eve
Reservations preferred!
10:30 am to 10:00 pm

New Year's Day
4:00 pm to 10:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Texas History Tour
Saturday, January 11, 2025
Saturday, April 12, 2024

Group Texas History Tour
Saturday, January 25, 2025

Steak School
Saturday, March 22, 2025

Wine Dinner
Monday, April 7, 2025

Insider Tips:

- We accept reservations online for parties of 12 or less, 30 days in advance. Parties larger than 12 can join us as a walk in guest and will be quoted a wait time when you arrive. Parties larger than 12 will be split into 2 or more tables
- Taste of Texas To-Go is unavailable from November 25th through January 2nd, but you may still pick up your favorite fresh steaks, appetizers, and more at the Grill-at-Home store to prepare at home. The Spinach Artichoke dip is always a party favorite!
- Best gift idea: Our new Taste of Texas "slim-line" steak knives!
- Stop by our Grill at Home store to see our fantastic new collection of Jeweled Christmas trees and water lanterns!

WE HAVE "DECKED THE HALLS," and we are ready for your Christmas Celebrations!

It is always a joy to transform our restaurant from a world-class Texas History museum into a stunning Christmas wonderland, and this year, we have outdone ourselves! Two crews of 40 staff members worked around the clock for 11 days (for about 2500 hours), and we all agree this is the most beautiful yet!

We are thrilled to announce the acquisition of an exclusive collection of over 100 remarkable Steinbach German Nutcrackers, a treasure owned by our dear friends, Elsa Jean and Don Looser! This collection, which began many decades ago after they attended a performance of the Houston Ballet Nutcracker, is truly spectacular and a privilege to behold!

This fabulous collection is in the Sam Houston room, and we can't wait for you to see it.



"May this collection bring you the delight and joy they have brought our family for over 50 years!"

- The Looser Family

HAPPY 47TH ANNIVERSARY, TASTE OF TEXAS! Our gift to you – Gift Card Special starts Nov 19



November 19th marks 47 years since we opened our Taste of Texas Restaurant, and we are immensely grateful for the decades of celebrations and family moments you shared with us! As a "thank you" to our customers, we are starting our Christmas Gift Card Special on our birthday, November 19, through Christmas Eve, December 24! For every \$100 Taste of Texas gift card you buy, you will receive a \$25 Promo Gift Card valid for 2025, absolutely free!

We have three easy ways to purchase a Taste of Texas Gift Card:

- In our store dedicated parking is available for our Grill-At-Home store.
- Online: Shop online and have your gift card shipped right to your door.
- E-gift Cards: Perfect for hassle-free last-minute gift giving! Email Delivery is instantaneous!

Visit www.tasteoftexas.com to view all our gift options

Capture Perfect Holiday Photos with Our Christmas Decorations!

The Taste of Texas "Wagon Barn" is perfect for capturing your most memorable holiday photos. Plus, Santa Claus will be here every Monday-Wednesday evening during the first three weeks of December. Bring the family for a special "Santa Moment" by our festive fireplace.

Santa will be visiting on December 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, and 18 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.





Blackards, Hartlands, Hendees, and Poulsons

This summer, we had the fantastic opportunity to travel to Family Legacy's "Camp Life" in Africa with six adult family members and ten older grandchildren to minister to Zambia's most vulnerable children! We fell in love with this beautiful organization and the children of Zambia. We encourage you to sponsor a child today at www.familylegacy.com!

While in Zambia with Family Legacy, we met a 17-year-old who needed a hip replacement from an injury and resulting life-threatening infection that occurred almost five years ago. God opened doors, and Gabriel arrived in Houston this month for that much-needed (and successful) hip replacement surgery! Many thanks to Memorial Hermann and Dr. Ken Mathis for their extraordinary care of this fine young man! (Photo of Gabriel)



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Blackfords

Our Blackford family stays very busy with fun-loving Annie (now 4) and Henry (8) while managing our Taste of Texas marketing and online business! They have embarked on a National Park Project with four parks down and 59 to go! We all enjoyed a trip to Big Bend this summer, and the next stop is Everglades!

We are blessed to have Gabriel in our home during his recovery. We soon realized he was a talented (prolific) artist and an excellent student. He is painting daily, and we invite you to meet Gabe and participate in his first Art Show on November 10, 2024, in the Sam Houston Room at the Taste of Texas from 12 to 2 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Family Legacy Hill Wellness Center in Zambia, where Gabriel was treated.

Christmas Cranberry Tea Recipe from Ann Hendeel:

Boil together

- 2 cups sugar
- 3 cups water
- Three sticks of cinnamon

Add:

- 2 quarts water
- 1-quart cranberry juice
- One large can of pineapple juice
- Two tablespoons of lemon juice
- 2 cups orange juice
- Simmer for one half-hour



A Treasured Christmas Decoration not to be Missed!



The family Christmas decorations are always my favorites, but this piece makes me smile every time I see it! Ann Hende was the most loving mother-in-law you could ever hope for and one of my best friends! When she passed away, I had the honor of sorting through her things to get the house ready for sale. After a few weeks, I had worked my way to the last bedroom closet, and I was prepared to toss every item in the trash when I came across a large manila envelope marked "Doris." Inside were dozens of Cross-Stitched Christmas Cards from Ann's dear friend, Doris Naney. The beautiful words written between friends were an inspiration to me! They loved, encouraged, and prayed for one another for many decades through good times and bad. Friendship takes time, and these two beautiful women intentionally encouraged each other!



And Speaking of Celebrations....

There is no greater joy for our family than celebrating your life moments with you!

We love witnessing your special occasions, from birthdays and anniversaries to back to school, off to college, business promotions, and more!

But NOTHING brings us more joy than when we get to honor those who have "rung the bell" for completing cancer treatment! Our granddaughter Lizzie's precious friend, Tess, recently finished her Chemo treatment at MD Anderson, rang the bell, and celebrated at Taste of Texas. Well done!

STAFF NEWS



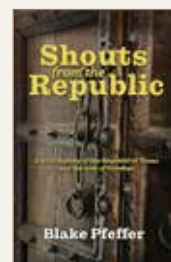
Austin and Ashley Henry welcomed baby Isaac Allen Henry on August 7, and he has already visited the Taste!

Brody Gamber was promoted to Captain in February and is stationed at the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center. Thank you for your service!



Server Troy Kevil will wed Caitlin Cano on November 23 in Splendora, TX!

Server Bobby Thompson is an amazingly talented saxophone player who has entertained us at Taste of Texas events and our customers at Christmas Time. Reach out to Blacklabelhorns@gmail.com to have him play at your next event!



Blake A. Pfeffer, author of "Shouts of the Republic", is now on sale in the Grill at Home store. Blake will be signing books in the Grill at Home store during Christmas tours on November 9 and 16 from 9 am - 1 pm.

Best of the Best Five-Time Winner!

Thank you, Houston! We were thrilled to be named Houston's "Best All-Around Restaurant" in the Houston Chronicle's "Best of the Best Awards". We were also honored to win "Best Steakhouse" (5-Time Winner) and "Best Date Night Restaurant". But the best part is that you, the people, voted on this! But, most importantly, thank you for being our customer.

Holiday Gift Guide

Our Holiday Gift Guide is here! Scan the QR code to find the perfect gift for everyone on your list.



2024 GIFT GUIDE!

Scan the QR code to find the perfect gift for everyone on your list.

New Menu Items



We're excited to introduce some extraordinary new items to our menu! Chefs Lisa Blackard and Horacio Degante have been hard at work creating dishes that will amaze your taste buds.

Grilled Texas Redfish is a succulent 8-ounce filet topped with a medley of sauteed spinach, tomatoes, and red onions. It will be served over a bed of wild mushroom rice and topped with lemon butter sauce.

Double Bone-in Pork Chop: A 16-ounce Iberico pork chop rubbed with a picon coffee spice blend, grilled, topped with a dried fruit mostarda and white wine garlic butter, and served over garlic mashed potatoes.



TASTE OF TEXAS RESTAURANT

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NOW SHIPPING: Holiday Prime Rib Roasts

Few dishes are more impressive than gorgeous rib roast made specially for your guests. We are now offering 3-4 lb Prime Rib Roasts, aged a minimum of 40 days, shipped to you, ready to roast, and includes simple preparation instructions and a jar of our Classic Roast Seasoning. Visit tasteoftexas.com/primerib. (Online only)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please check our website for details and register online at www.tasteoftexas.com

Registration for all Spring 2025 events will open online on Tuesday November 12 at 10:00 a.m.

Please note: We do not ship tickets for the events. You will receive a confirmation email after registration is complete, and your name will be added to the event's guest list. Proceeds from all events benefit our employee scholarship program. Space is limited, so please reserve early.

Adult Texas History Tour with Nina:

January 11

Join Nina for a morning of true tales of Texas' past! Lunch is included. The cost is \$55 plus tax per person.

Group Adult History Tour with Nina:

January 25

Nina's famous history tour is for groups of 10 or more. Cost is \$55 plus tax per person. Lunch is included.

Steak School

March 22

You'll learn about USDA grading, trim specifications, the aging process, and how to grill a perfect steak every time. This class makes a wonderful gift for the steak lovers and grillers in your life. The cost is \$150 plus tax per person and includes a steak lunch. Come hungry!

Taste of Texas Wine Dinner

April 7

Please join us for our next Taste of Texas Wine Dinner, another amazing five-course dinner and wine pairing. The cost is \$250 per person plus tax (includes gratuity). Space is limited.

Adult History Tour with Nina:

April 12

Join Nina for a morning of Texas History! Lunch is included. The cost is \$55 plus tax per person.