

THINGS TO SEE AND DO:

- Bastrop State Park
- Buescher State Park
- El Camino Real Paddling Trail
- McKinney Roughts Nature Park
- Historic Downtown
- Bastrop County Museum
- Railroad Historical Park (Smithville)
- Lake Bastrop

ANNUAL EVENTS:

- Sherwood Forest Faire – April
- Smithville Jamboree – April
- Bastrop Patriotic Festival & Fireworks – 4th of July weekend
- Bastrop Homecoming & Rodeo - August
- Bastrop River of Lights/Smithville Festival of Lights - December

SCHOOLS:

- Austin Community College - night classes at Bastrop High School
- Bastrop ISD (15 schools) - <https://www.bisdtx.org/>
- Smithville ISD (5 schools) - <https://www.smithvilleisd.org/>

OTHER FUN FACTS:

- The Lost Pines forest (loblolly pines) is the westernmost stand of the southern pine forest.
- TFS was instrumental with the Bastrop County Fire Complex response in 2011 and with the recovery following the fires.
- The area has been featured in many movies over the years, like *Hope Floats* (1998).
- Bastrop is 40mins from Austin, 2 hours from Houston, and 45mins from San Antonio – easy access to what a big city offers, but without the big city headaches.

LINKS:

City of Bastrop - <https://www.cityofbastrop.org/>

Visit Bastrop - <https://www.visitbastrop.com/>

Bastrop Chamber of Commerce - <http://www.bastropchamber.com/>

City of Smithville - <https://www.ci.smithville.tx.us/>

Smithville Chamber of Commerce - <http://www.smithvilletx.org/>
