# HOUSTON, TEXAS AREA ATTRACTIONS



Houston is the most populous city in the U.S. state of Texas and in the Southern United States. Located in Southeast Texas near Galveston Bay and the Gulf of Mexico, it is the seat of Harris County; as well as the principal city of the Greater Houston metropolitan area, the fifth-most populous metropolitan statistical area in the United States and the second-most populous in Texas after Dallas–Fort Worth. With a population of 2,314,157 in 2023, Houston is the fourth-most populous city in the United States after New York City, Los Angeles, and Chicago, and the sixth-most populous city in North America. Houston is the southeast anchor of the greater megaregion known as the Texas Triangle.

In addition, you might like to explore the following sites:



# **Johnson Space Center**

Forget the fuss of buying admission tickets at the last minute and pre-book entry to the Space Center Houston. The ticket provides all-day access to the center: letting you explore must-sees such as the Astronaut and Starship Galleries; take a tram tour of the NASA Johnson Space Center, and more; at your own pace.



#### **The Houston Museum of Natural Science**

The Houston Museum of Natural Science is one of the most visited museums in the United States. With this general admission ticket, visit at a time that suits you and spend up to 3 hours inside. Enjoy full access to the permanent exhibitions including popular galleries such as Ancient Egypt, Texas Wildlife, The Americas, and the largest dinosaur hall in North America.



## **Private Houston Sightseeing Tour**

A good choice for first-time visitors to Houston, this tour offers a comprehensive overview of the city. Visit several well-known landmarks, parks, and stadiums including historic Market Square, Discovery Green, Toyota Center, Minute Maid Park, Buffalo Bayou, and more. You'll also have an opportunity to admire the lavish homes and boutiques in River Oaks.



#### **Houston Ghosts and Hauntings**

Come on our chilling ghost tour presented by US Ghost Adventures! They say everything is bigger in Texas, and Houston is a city that proves that to be a true statement. From rodeos, to food, everything is bigger, especially the ghost stories. Houston is well-known for its enormous rodeos, incredible cuisine, and harsh weather, but it's also one of the spookiest towns in the nation and has its fair share of ghost stories.



#### **Houston Zoo**

The Houston Zoo is made up of many moving parts. We have over 6,000 permanent residents (our animals) for whom we provide housing, meals, medical care and, yes, even education! There are over 2 million guests each year who come to experience our incredible variety of animals and ecosystems, as well as attend special private and public events and entertainment.



### **Magic Show Theater**

Fun for the whole family, prepare to be entertained by illusions and spellbinding tricks during this live magic show in Houston. Allow the talented magicians to take you on a journey through a world of wonder with their mastery of sleight of hand and mindreading. From disappearing acts to perplexing escapes, gather your friends and family and enjoy watching the impossible.



#### **Visit 8th Wonder Taproom**

Only blocks away from the professional baseball, basketball, and soccer stadiums, 8th Wonder is the perfect pre-game destination. Swing by before or during a game, or check out one of our many special events, and get some of the freshest, tastiest beer in town.



#### Downtown Aquarium

The Downtown Aquarium is the product of redeveloping two downtown Houston landmarks – Fire Station No. 1 and the Central Waterworks Building. This magnificent six-acre entertainment and dining complex is a 500,000-gallon aquatic wonderland, home to over 300 species of aquatic life from around the globe.



## **Starship Gallery**

At Space Center Houston is home to multiple flown spacecraft and national treasures. Get an up-close look at some of the most amazing artifacts that trace the progression of human space exploration – the Apollo 17 Command Module, a full-size Skylab Training module, a Moon rock you can touch and more!



#### **The Houston Astros**

The Houston Astros are an American professional baseball team based in Houston. The Astros compete in Major League Baseball as a member club of the American League West Division, having moved to the division in 2013 after spending their first 51 seasons in the National League. They are one of two major league clubs based in Texas; the Texas Rangers belong to the same division.



#### The Houston Botanic Garden

Offers learners of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities a variety of opportunities to discover plants and grow in appreciation of the natural world. We offer educational programs and workshops covering horticulture and gardening; culture and culinary arts; nature and conservation; and health and wellness.