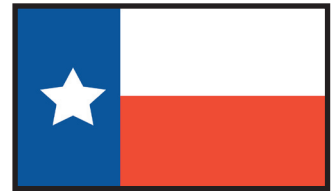


# A QUICK LOOK AT LOCAL DIVING IN AND AROUND TEXAS



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## Flower Gardens - Gulf of Mexico

The Flower Gardens are really our **Texas' Caribbean reef system**. They are located about 110 miles southeast of Freeport Texas and consist of two salt dome structures called the East and West Flower Gardens. The West Flower Garden is the deeper reef cap and for that reason is normally the first dive site. For more details visit <http://owergarden.noaa.gov/>.

## Lake Travis - Austin

This is a popular spot for local divers and is also a great place to take your advanced class. Divers may enter from the shore or from a boat. There are also two parks which cater to divers. Windy Point and Scuba Park. Check with our staff to learn more about Advanced and Specialty classes that we offer at Lake Travis. Visit the Lake Travis web sites for more details, [www.tpwd.state.tx.us/fishboat/fish/recreational/lakes/travis/](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/fishboat/fish/recreational/lakes/travis/) and [www.texasoutside.com/laketravismap.htm](http://www.texasoutside.com/laketravismap.htm).

## Comal River - New Braunfels

A great place for a quick day or weekend of diving. The water temperature is constant year around. It also provides good snorkeling for family and friends who are not divers. The Comal River is also the site of the "TRASHFEST" sponsored by the Texas Gulf Coast Console of Diving Clubs in Houston, Texas. It is the first weekend of October each year. Ask our Staff to tell you about this fun event or visit [www.tgccdiving.org/trashfest/trashfest.html](http://www.tgccdiving.org/trashfest/trashfest.html) is where you can find the latest details on the next "TRASHFEST".

## Toledo Bend

Located on the Texas-Louisiana border, this reservoir is a great place to see fresh water fish. A variety of tall grass covers most of the lake bottom at the dam. However, due to great visibility, this grass is not a hazard. Nevertheless a dive knife is essential due to the number of fisherman that frequent this spot. Visit the following web site for more details on what Toledo Bend has to offer, [www.toledo-bend.com/index.asp](http://www.toledo-bend.com/index.asp).

## Balmorhea State Park - West Texas

For a great way to take a long weekend trip, consider Balmorhea State Park, [www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/findadest/parks/balmorhea/](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/spdest/findadest/parks/balmorhea/). The water of San Solomon Springs is from the world's largest spring fed pool 1 3/4 acres! There is a large variety of aquatic life for the divers and snorkelers to see. Sea Sports also sometimes uses this location for specialty classes. So ask one of our staff members for more details and visit the website for information. This is a great place for camping and site seeing.