



DAY TRIP TO ALBERT

From Fredericksburg · Gillespie County, Texas



FARM AND
RANCH



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ICEHOUSE OPEN WED-SUN

A privately owned icehouse and dance hall with live music. The rest of the old town is private land.

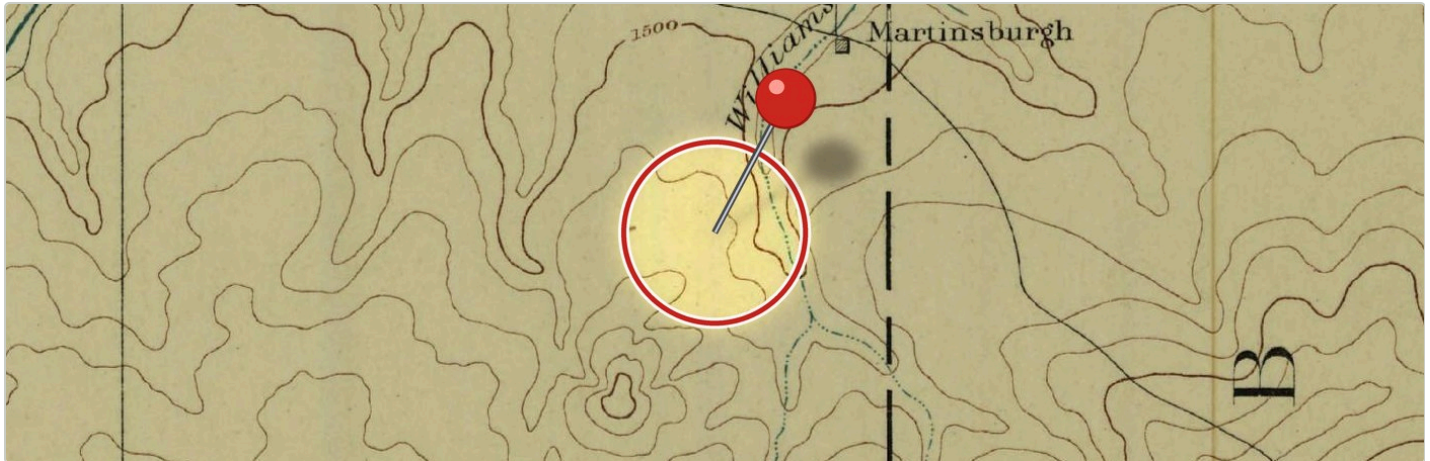
Albert is an afternoon and evening more than a day. Spend the day in the Hill Country and finish at the beer garden when the music starts. Luckenbach, where Albert Luckenbach kept store before he moved here, is about 20 miles west by road, also just south of US 290, so the two old dance-hall towns pair well.

A SAMPLE DAY

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| ☐ Afternoon | Leave Fredericksburg on US 290 east and stop at Luckenbach first, on RM 1376 south of the highway. |
| ☐ Late afternoon | Drive on to Albert. Straight from Fredericksburg it is about half an hour. |
| ☐ Evening | Stay for the beer garden and whatever band is on. On Thursday to Sunday the food vendor serves until 8 p.m. |

WHAT TO PHOTOGRAPH

- **The dance hall.** The board-sided gable end and its oval sign face the gravel yard. Late light from the west warms the boards.
- **The creek.** Williams Creek runs just south of the crossroads. Shoot it from the road, not private land.



USGS topographic map, 1894 (public domain). The ring and pin mark the town.

DAY TRIP ESSENTIALS

DRIVE	21 mi, about 29 min each way from downtown Fredericksburg. From San Antonio: 65 mi, about 1 h 27 min.
OPEN	Wednesday and Thursday noon to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to midnight, Sunday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Closed Monday and Tuesday.
ADMISSION	No general admission is posted. Shows in the beer garden, Wednesday to Sunday, are free; shows in the dance hall are ticketed.
FOOD AND DRINK	Beer, cocktails and local wine at the icehouse bar. A food vendor, Rex's Creole Kitchen, serves Thursday to Sunday from noon to 8 p.m.
ADDRESS	5435 S. RR 1623, Stonewall.
PHOTOGRAPHY	The site doesn't post rules. It is a private business, so ask before filming a band.
WEBSITE	alberttexas.com

BEFORE YOU GO

- Check the status with the land manager before you go; conditions change.
- Keep out of unstable buildings and off fenced ruins.
- Leave artifacts where they lie. Removing them can be a crime.
- Carry water, a paper map and a charged phone; signal is often poor.

Coordinates 30.19389, -98.60167 · 30°11'38"N
98°36'06"W

Full guide abandonedtowns.com/texas/albert/

Directions [Google Maps](#)

Details checked October 2026. Hours, prices and access change: confirm before you go.