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15 ROAD TRIPS FROM HOUSTON THAT SHOW OFF THE BEST PART OF TEXAS

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While Houston, Texas is chock-full of culture and things to do, The Lone Star State is home to dozens of just-as-incredible destinations within easy driving distance. Whether you prefer to hit the beach, explore a new city or spend the weekend wine-tasting away, these road trip destinations are sure to impress any type of traveler. Have we got your attention yet? Read on for the best road trips you can take from Houston that make for an easy—and fun!—weekend getaway. Happy travels, y'all!

1. Dallas, Texas

Driving Distance: 240 miles (approx. four hours)

Why We Love It: great food and drink, shopping, arts and culture, history

Where to Stay: The Joule (from \$262/night), Wild Stallion (from \$136/night), Loft Penthouse Suite (from \$89/night), Thompson Dallas (from \$263/night)

Embark on a road trip to Dallas to experience some of the Lone Star State's best food and drink offerings, which range from artisan bread and pastries at **Eatzi's Market & Bakery** to fresh sushi at Nobu Dallas, to innovative cocktails at Punch Bowl Social. Tight on time? Take a food and culture walking tour to experience everything this modern metropolis has to offer in both realms. Meanwhile, art lovers can spend some time in the city's Arts District, home to the Dallas Museum of Art, the Crow Collection of Asian Art and the Nasher Sculpture Center. Indulge in some retail therapy at the boutique-lined Highland Park Village followed by a celebratory happy hour drink at Uchi and The Standard Pour.