

Jacob's Well Natural Area

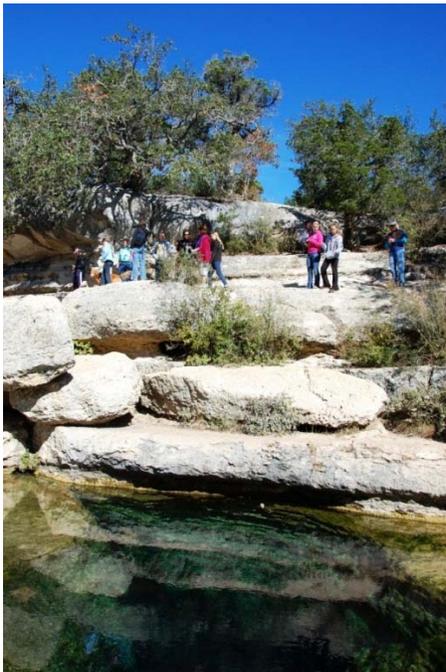
Just north of the Village of Wimberley is the Jacob's Well Natural Area. The water flowing from Jacob's Well, which is actually an artesian spring, is pushed forth naturally from the Trinity Aquifer roughly 140 feet below the surface. With layered limestone cliffs on one side, a vibrantly vegetated bank on the other and a lively riparian area alongside the creek, *the gem of the Texas Hill Country* has a way of enchanting visitors of all ages.



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Jacob's Well is a feature of the karst landscape of Central Texas and the headwaters of Cypress Creek. The extensive caving systems that are common in this region are the result of slightly acidic rainfall interacting with and eroding the limestone over millennia. The limestone caves and passage segments combine to form one of the longest underwater cave systems in Texas.

The cultural and natural heritage of Jacob's Well has made it an integral part of the Wimberley experience. It is a beautiful place to swim, observe birds and many other kinds of wildlife, take photos, hike or have a picnic with the family.



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Jacob's Well Natural Area Park Access and Rules

Swimming is allowed. No lifeguards are on duty and for their own safety swimmers should not swim if alone.

Please be respectful of the natural area and avoid disturbing habitat and wildlife. Properly dispose of your trash.

Not allowed: pets, alcohol, smoking, glass containers, campfires, fishing, scuba diving, graffiti or jumping from the rocks. Please be considerate of other visitors to the natural area and avoid disorderly conduct, playing loud music or using profanity.

Parking for the Jacob's Well Natural Area is located at 221 Woodacre Drive, Wimberley, Texas, 78676. **On maps Woodacre Drive is also shown as Acacia.**

There is no charge for access to Hays County Parks. The parks are open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. during Daylight Saving Time (begins second Sunday in March) and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. during Standard Time (begins first Sunday in November).



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The Master Naturalists of Hays County lead free Saturday tours starting at 10 a.m. Reservations are not necessary for the Saturday tours but please call or email ahead for tours Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to park at the parking lot near the Nature Center, which is the first right after the low-water crossing on Woodacre (Acacia) Drive.

Email parks@co.hays.tx.us or call (512) 847-2140 to set up a tour during the week or to inquire about educational resources at Jacob's Well Natural Area.