



L. B. Houston Nature Trail

10000 Wildwood

General Description

A group of four unpaved hiking trails in a dense wilderness area run along the Elm Fork of the Trinity River. Off-road bicycling is not permitted. The four trails vary in length from a little over a mile to nearly four miles. The trails are in slightly flatter terrain than the hike and bike trails. Heavy rainfall renders them impassable for those who are not adequately prepared. Allow two days after a heavy rain. There is a great abundance of plant and animal life, with around 100 bird and 50 plant varieties. The trail runs along the river bank for over a mile and provides good sites for observing turtles, snakes and herons.

The area is named for L. B. Houston who was Director of the Dallas Park and Recreation Department from 1939 to 1972.

Directions to Trailhead from Downtown Dallas

Go north on I-35 to Northwest Highway. Turn left on Northwest Highway and go .75 miles to California Crossing. Turn left and go .5 miles. to Wildwood; turn left; go .25 miles. The parking lot is on the left.

Difficulty easy to moderate

Best time of year to hike early spring and fall

Length 1.5 – 4 miles

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Distance to trailhead from Downtown Dallas 6.8 miles