



BEST OF TEXAS

"Everything's bigger in Texas!" That's the saying you often hear when people talk about the Lone Star State. Originally, Texas was owned by the French, then the Spanish, then Mexico until it won its independence at the battle of San Jacinto in March of 1836. Through its pride, Texas has become one of the most recognizable states, along with its cities like Austin, Galveston, and San Antonio with sites like the Alamo. If you're a fan of the college football teams from Texas, you can see the University of Texas and the University of Texas A&M, also known as the "Aggies." Explore Texas in this collage painting that shows off the Best of Texas!

1. Texas has one of the biggest and longest state fairs in the USA with one of the most recognizable cowboy statues around!
2. The Alamo's full name is Mission San Antonio de Valero and was home to missionaries and Indian converts before it became a battle ground during the Texas Revolution.
3. University of Texas A&M has the motto "Giggin," a message to their rivals, that no matter how intimidating they may be, the Aggie's will triumph over all.
4. Austin was originally called "Waterloo" but was changed quickly after to the name we know in honor of Stephen F. Austin, the "Father of Texas."
5. Galveston sits perfectly along the southeast edge of Texas and is extremely resilient against the hurricanes.
6. In the words of Mark Twain, "San Antonio is one of America's four unique cities." Yes, it holds the historic Alamo battle, but The Riverwalk is what makes people from all over fall in love with it and appreciate the history in every nook and cranny.
7. The University of Texas resides in Austin, TX and is a proud school. Their mascot is a Texas Longhorn striking fear into the hearts of their enemies.