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On the 45-minute narrated Baywatch tour, you'll see dolphin in their own natural habitat, the historic Galveston harbor, a World War II submarine and destroyer, the Tall Ship *Elissa*, as well as drilling rigs, ferry boats, and the mighty ship channel.

Comfortable inside seating for 14 people and outside seating for 24 is available on the climate-controlled 34-foot USCG-inspected vessel.

We are the only **dolphin safe** tour boat in Galveston Harbor. We have a jet drive boat which means we don't have propellers so we can't harm the dolphins on our boat tour.

We bring you **up close** to view the dolphins in their natural habitat.

We take pride in the fact that we are able to keep our prices affordable for everyone while still providing **45 minutes** of informative fun for young and old alike and, don't forget your camera!

Admission

Adults: \$10

Hours of Operation

Open 7 Days: 10 am to 4pm

Boards on the Hour

(832)859-4557

www.baywatchdolphintours.com

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Share the adventure of the high seas at the Texas Seaport Museum, home of the celebrated 1877 tall ship *Elissa*. Explore the decks of this floating National Historic Landmark which has also been designated one of America's Treasures by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Walk *Elissa's* decks and imagine the days when daring sailors challenged the world's oceans. In the adjacent museum and theater, witness the story of *Elissa's* dramatic rescue from the scrapyard and her meticulous restoration.

About Elissa:

Elissa is a three-masted, iron-hulled sailing ship built in 1877 in Aberdeen, Scotland by Alexander Hall & Company. She carries nineteen sails covering over one-quarter of an acre in surface area. Tall ships are classified by the configuration of their sailing rig. In ELISSA's case, she is a "barque" because she carries square and fore-and-aft sails on her fore and mainmasts, but only fore-and-aft sails on her mizzenmast. From her stern to the tip of her jibboom she measures 205 feet. Her height is 99 feet, 9 inches at the main mast and she displaces about 620 tons at her current ballast.

Ongoing Exhibits and Films:

Gold from the Gulf, showcasing the shrimp industry in the Gulf of Mexico and Galveston Bay, on exhibit at the Texas Seaport Museum. The exhibit features the history, ecology and legacy of shrimping in the Gulf of Mexico, but the jewel of the exhibit will be the 1937 shrimp boat *Santa Maria*, one of the few remaining original mosquito boats in Galveston Bay.

Film: *Passage to Galveston: The Story of ELISSA*, presented every day on the hour and half-hour, at the theater in the Texas Seaport Museum. This 17-minute, award-winning documentary beautifully tells the story of *Elissa's* discovery, purchase and restoration. Entrance to the film is included in the museum admission price.

Today *Elissa* is much more than an artifact from a bygone era. She is a fully-functional vessel that continues to sail annually during sea trials in the Gulf of Mexico. Thanks to Galveston Historical Foundation and its commitment to bring history to life, combined with the dedication of hundreds of volunteers who keep her seaworthy and train each year to sail her, *Elissa* and the art of 19th Century square-rigged sailing are alive and well.

Elissa's wake is over 135 years and counting... Come experience her magic at Texas Seaport Museum, Pier 21, Galveston, Texas.

Admission

Adults (age 19 & older): \$12

(409)763-1877

www.tsm-elissa.org

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For 30 years, the Lone Star Flight Museum has honored the extraordinary aviation history of Texas and has been designated as the official Texas Aviation Hall of Fame. We invite everyone to tour our museum and experience some of America's legendary military aircraft. Our flying collection of historic aircraft and period artifacts provide a unique perspective of the technological development of the aviation industry while serving as a tribute to those who bravely served our country.

Stop by and enjoy your time at the Lone Star Flight Museum and feel free to bring your camera. Our friendly staff and volunteers have a passion for aviation and look forward to answering your questions!

Hours of Operation

9:00AM – 5:00PM Daily

Price of Admission

Adults (18+) \$10.00

Seniors (65+) \$8.00

Youth/Students (5-17) \$8.00

Children under 5 years Free

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The Pier 21 Theater features two theatrical presentations: *The Great Storm*, and *The Pirate Island of Jean Lafitte*.

The Great Storm is a 27-minute, powerful, multimedia documentary of the greatest disaster in Galveston history, the 1900 hurricane in which an estimated 6,000 people lost their lives. Don't leave Galveston without seeing this show!

The Great Storm Admission & Showtimes:

Adults: \$6

Showtime is every hour on the hour. Prices subject to change.



The Pirate Island of Jean Lafitte asks was the famous islander a pirate or patriot? Smuggler or businessman? Merciless murderer and thief, or hero in time of war? These are the contradictions of the legendary Jean Laffite, and the premise of this 18-minute film directed by C. Grant Mitchell.

The Pirate Island of Jean Lafitte Admission & Showtimes:

Adults: \$6

Showtime is every hour on the half-hour. Prices subject to change.

NO LATE SEATING. Please arrive 10 minutes before doors close.



AQUARIUM PYRAMID

EXPERIENCE LIFE AS YOU EXPLORE THE OCEANS DEPTHS IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC, NORTH PACIFIC, SOUTH PACIFIC AND CARIBBEAN.

Dive into the oceans of the world in a 1.5-million-gallon aquarium teeming with creatures from tuxedo-clad penguins to seals, stingrays, sharks and more

\$21.95 adult, \$17.95 child/senior, children 3 & under free

RAINFOREST PYRAMID

EXPERIENCE LIFE AS YOU VISIT THE RAINFORESTS OF ASIA, AFRICA AND THE AMERICAS.

Enjoy a rare, up-close and interactive experience with endangered plants and animals ranging from Giant Amazon River Otters to Saki Monkeys and Chinese Alligators. See it all in one of the truest replicas of a real rainforest.

\$21.95 adult, \$17.95 child/senior, children 3 & under free

MG 3D THEATER

EXPERIENCE LIFE AND BE A PART OF THE ACTION!

Immerse yourself in the MG 3D Theater featuring the world's first giant-screen 4K 6-Primary Laser Projection System. Already with the largest screen in Texas and top-of-the-line surround sound system, this state-of-the-art 3D viewing experience gives guests the best viewing experience in the world.

\$10.95 adult, \$8.95 child/senior, children 3 and under free

ROPES COURSE & ZIP LINE

EXPERIENCE LIFE IN THIS UNIQUE SEASIDE CHALLENGE

Challenge your agility, balance and strength as you encounter the five-tier Sky Trail® Ropes Course, the tallest Steel Ropes Course on the Gulf Coast or take it to a whole new level with a roundtrip on the Zip Line.

\$20.00 Sky Trail® Explorer Ropes Course, \$20.00 Zip Line Roundtrip, \$30.00 Ropes Course & Zip Line Combo, \$5.00 Sky Tykes™ Ropes Course (for children 48" and under)

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The Offshore Energy Center is dedicated to expand the awareness of the vast energy resources beneath the world's oceans, and to chronicle the unique heritage and technological accomplishments of the industry that discovers, produces, and delivers these resources in a safe and environmentally responsible way.

The objectives of this mission statement are being met through a three-fold plan developed by the Center. First, the *Ocean Star* Offshore Drilling Rig Museum and Education Center was established in Galveston, Texas. Second, the Offshore Pioneers Hall of Fame was established to recognize and record the individual and technological achievements of the offshore energy industry

Take a leisurely, self-guided tour through the retired *Ocean Star* jack-up rig which now serves as a museum and educational facility. From geological exploration, to drilling, to oil and gas production, you will see offshore drilling equipment, exhibits and videos on three levels of this refurbished offshore drilling rig.

To more fully enjoy your tour, be sure to get your copy of the official "*Ocean Star* Self-Guiding Souvenir Tour Guide Book." Available at the Gift Shop, it has more than 150 photos and concise information about the museum's displays, models and equipment.



Admission

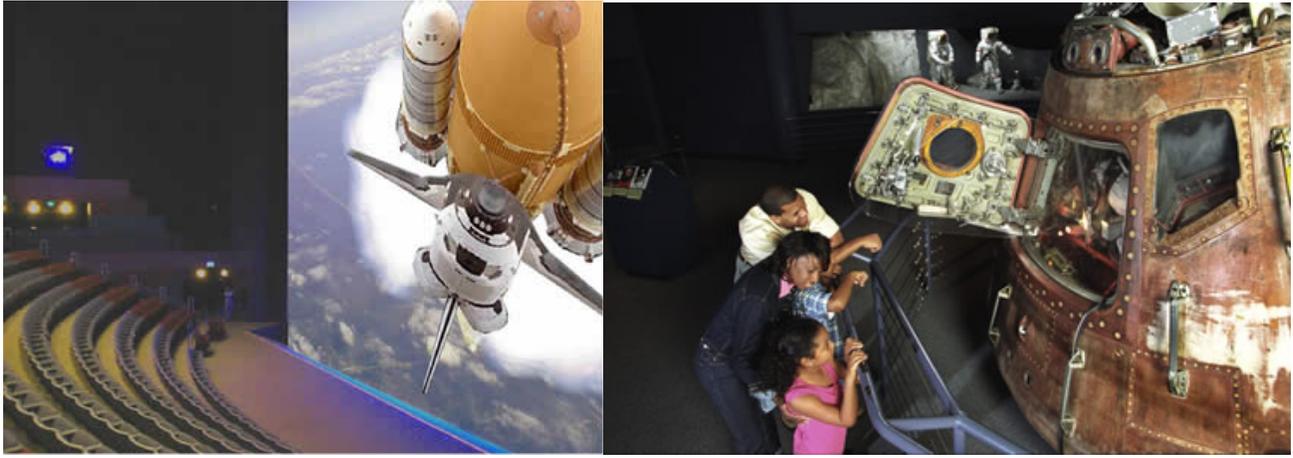
Adults: \$9

Hours of Operation

Open daily: 10am - 5pm

(409)766-STAR

www.oceanstaroec.com/museum



NASA - Space Center Houston

JOHNSON SPACE CENTER HISTORY

Established as the Manned Spacecraft Center (MSC) in 1961, the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center (JSC) named in honor of the late President, is responsible for the design, development, and operation of human space flight. For more than three decades, JSC has been the world leader in human space flight operations for NASA.

The MSC opened in 1963 with Gemini IV as the first flight controlled here and became a hub of activity as the Gemini program ended and the Apollo program gained momentum. The Apollo program obtained the national goal, set by President Kennedy in 1961 of landing men on the Moon and returning them safely within the decade of the 1960's.

The eyes of the world were on Houston and the MSC on July 20, 1969 as Neil Armstrong reported from the lunar surface, "Houston, the Eagle has landed." Hours later, Armstrong descended the ladder of the Lunar Module (LM) "Eagle" proclaiming, "That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind" as he took his historic first steps on the Moon's surface. Later, in 1973, the MSC was renamed the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center (JSC) and has been the heart of the manned space flight program ever since. Controlling flights from Gemini, Apollo, Skylab and the Apollo-Soyuz through the current Shuttle program is the responsibility of JSC scientists, engineers, astronauts and other staff members.

JSC is the Training base and home for our nation's astronauts and the site of Mission Control, where a talented cadre of flight controllers monitors the work of our women and men in space. The operations as JSC include the development, production and delivery of the Space Shuttle orbiters; the testing of spacecraft associated systems; the development and integration of experiments for human space flight activities; supporting scientific engineering and medical research; the selection and training of astronauts and the operation of human space flights.

You Must Sign-up in advance no later than the end of lunch Wednesday.

Tour leaves Thursday at 12:15pm

Seagull II-Dolphin Tour



See Galveston Harbor up close aboard Seagull II, Texas Seaport Museum's 50-foot twin-engine motor vessel. Fast, stable and sheltered, she was built specifically for harbor sight-seeing excursions and education, and is a perfect platform for waterborne experiential learning. The boat is U.S. Coast Guard certified and her operators are fully licensed and knowledgeable about the history and lore of her home waters. Seagull II offers soft drinks and bottled water for sale, and has a comfortable main deck, sheltered from sun and rain. An open upper deck affords a full panorama of water and sky.

Don't miss this chance to get a new perspective on Galveston Bay and the historic Port of Galveston. Knowledgeably narrated tours explore the wide variety of birds and marine life that teems in the Bay. (We have no contract with them, but playful dolphins almost always show up to entertain themselves by watching the red-and-white boat and Pits passengers.) And the human activity in this busy port can only truly be appreciated from the water. A tour aboard the Seagull II is always an hour well spent.

Purchase tickets at the Texas Seaport Museum Gift Shop at Pier 22, next to Fisherman's Wharf restaurant. Harbor tours depart at 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. Call us on the day of the tour to confirm availability. Reservations are not required for groups of less than 20.

Adults:\$10

Children: 8-18 \$8.00

www.galvestonhistory.org

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