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## DESTINATION DRIVER

### Rockwall: Unwind from the Grind at Lake Ray Hubbard

Just because school's back in session doesn't mean your weekend getaways come to a screeching halt. In fact, there's no better place to visit than Lake Ray Hubbard, and no better time to do it. The water's still warm, the summer crowds have gone home, and cooler days paired with a lovely breeze create the perfect setting for relaxation.

On the lake, time slows down, your stress melts away with each stroke of the paddle, and time spent with family and friends builds memories of a lifetime. If trading a hectic schedule for a little downtime is on your agenda this fall, head to Lake Ray Hubbard to unwind from the grind.



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### **VISIT ROCKWALL**

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## Hit the Water

The water is perfection this time of year. The crowds have gone home, there's plenty of space on the beach, and the coves and open water of the 35-square-mile lake allow you to create your own adventure.

Anglers will want to drop a line in this area, too, as it is teeming with fish. Looking for an epic battle between man and beast? Bait your line for blue catfish. These massive trophy fish can weigh 50 pounds. Likewise, you can test your skills at landing feisty hybrid striped bass.

Away from the sheltered coves, the lake stretches 13 miles from north to south. It offers plenty of space for jet skis, powerboats towing skiers or wakeboarders, and sailboats. In fact, Lake Ray Hubbard's reliable winds make it renowned for sailing. Whether you choose a peaceful catamaran cruise, join a regatta, or learn the ropes in a sailing lesson, there are plenty of ways to enjoy the water.



## Embark on a Sunset Cruise

The sunset views over Lake Ray Hubbard are unrivaled. And one of the most popular ways to soak in the experience is from the deck of double-decker vessels and a sailing catamaran. Cruise companies offer dinner cruises and BYOB/bring your own picnic sunset excursions and launch from the marina at The Harbor Rockwall.

Whether you're planning a memorable evening on the water with family and friends or a romantic date night, add a sunset or starlight cruise to your plans. No matter which cruise you choose, don't forget to snap photos as the sun melts on the horizon. You'll want to share the beauty on social media!

## Dine on the Waterfront

Outings on the lake eventually must end back on land. Docking at The Harbor Rockwall is the best place to come ashore. The marina offers convenient access to lakeside eateries where you can dine al fresco, sip refreshing craft beer, and marvel at the panoramic views of the lake.

If you're here on a Thursday evening in October, you'll be treated to the Concert by the Lake: an outdoor music series held in the amphitheater. The timing of the free event gives concertgoers a stunning view overlooking the lake as the sun slips below the horizon. It is truly a special evening.



## Explore the charming Historic Downtown

Speaking of live music, you'll definitely want to head downtown during your weekend stay. The free **San Jacinto Music Series** runs through October and features local and regional musicians on Friday and Saturday evenings. Bring a lawn chair and picnic fixings or grab takeout from one of the eateries and settle in for an evening of song.

Put the Rockwall Farmers Market on your itinerary, as well. The market runs Saturday mornings from May through September. The bustling market showcases local produce, artisan foods, handcrafted goods, and live music. It takes place in the historic downtown square. While you're there, take time to browse in the boutiques or take a walking tour to admire the beautifully preserved buildings that date back more than a century.



## Sip and Savor Local Wine

Before you head back to the daily ho-hum, pay a visit to one of Rockwall's idyllic wineries. Sip and savor local wine on San Martiño Winery's dog-friendly patio. You're welcome to bring along a picnic or bring something yummy from the farmers market to feast on while you overlook the neat rows of sun-kissed vines. A short drive away, Rosini Vineyards offers wine tasting, a dinner menu, and Sunday brunch. It's an ideal way to end your weekend stay.



## Plan Your Lake Escape

With so much to see and do on Lake Ray Hubbard and in Rockwall, one day and one sunset won't be enough. Rockwall offers a variety of accommodations, from comfortable hotels and lakeside vacation rentals to luxurious houseboats. This fall, trade in your non-stop schedule for a visit to this welcoming shoreline community and the relaxing waters of Lake Ray Hubbard.

