

ROCKY CREEK FARM HYE, TEXAS

\$2,218,500 | 153± ACRES



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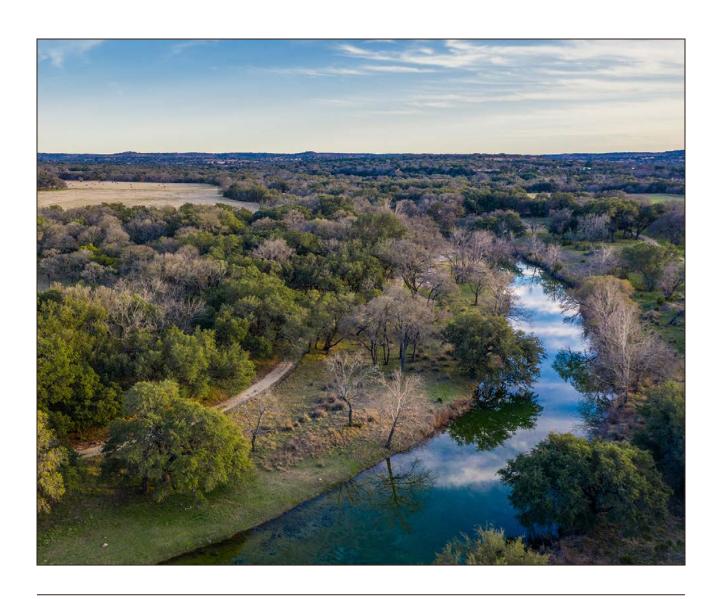
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Rocky Creek Farm is a rare, 153± acre live water offering in western Blanco County, only one mile south of US 290 and the famed Texas Wine Corridor. Now approaching some 50 wineries, distilleries, tasting rooms and breweries in a 25-mile stretch, the Texas Wine Corridor continues to delight and amaze, while bringing high value to nearby real estate as well! The farm itself offers the full complement of Hill Country attributes, including long views, spring-fed live water, fertile hay fields and scenery that is easy on the eye. A quaint two bedroom stone house serves as adequate living quarters, while two massive, stone and wood barns are objects of fascination and intrigue. One of the prettiest hardwood bottoms of oak/pecan we've seen is found on this ranch, and it is literally overrun with axis, turkey and whitetail deer. The crowning feature is a beautiful, clear spring-fed lake on Rocky Creek approximately one-third mile long when full, and up to ten feet deep. This lake offers swimming, fishing, floating and rock skipping at its best, and the stretch of wild creek below the lake includes falls, riffles and holes, with beautiful riparian scenery typical of the area. This is a robust small place with supreme location and features, and is a must-see for serious area buyers.

LOCATION

This awesome, small farmstead lies one mile south of US 290, in the Texas Wine Corridor, at the end of a private easement off of paved Rocky Road near Johnson City. The area is comprised of small to medium-sized working/recreational ranches, and there are no small tract subdivisions in the immediate area. Agriculture and outdoor recreation are primary activities, with livestock ranching, water recreation and hunting leading the way.



LOCALE

The property is five miles west of Johnson City, a growing small community offering restaurants, supplies, shops and basic services. The Texas Wine Corridor now encompasses dozens of wineries and tasting rooms lying along US 290 between Johnson City and Fredericksburg, and there appears to be no end in sight to the growth.

Fredericksburg is 20 miles west and includes a jet airport, regional hospital and world-class shopping and dining with a Texas Hill Country flair. The famed Highland Lakes area with world-class golf and multiple large ski lakes is but 30 minutes north. San Antonio and Austin, both major metropolitan areas with international airports and major medical centers, are a little over one hour away and offer everything anyone could ever need.



GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Rocky Creek Ranch is located in the ecoregion of the Edwards Plateau Woodland. It contains the central part of the Edwards Plateau and receives sufficient rainfall to support woodland. The Edwards Plateau region comprises an area of central Texas commonly known as the Texas Hill Country. It is a land of many springs, stony hills, and steep canyons. The region is home to a whole host of rare plants and animals found nowhere else on earth. Average annual rainfall ranges from 15 to 34 inches. Rainfall is highest in May or June and September. Soils of the Edwards Plateau are usually shallow with a variety of surface textures. They are underlain by limestone. Elevations range from slightly less than 100 feet to over 3,000 feet above sea level. Several river systems dissect the surface, creating a rough and well-drained landscape. The limestone of the Edward's Plateau is honeycombed with thousands of caves. Beneath the eastern edge of the Plateau lies a hidden world of underground lakes known as the Edwards Aquifer. This precious water resource also is home to a number of curious creatures, such as the blind salamander. Today, the Edwards Plateau is characterized by grasslands, juniper/oak woodlands, and plateau live oak or mesquite savannah. Open grasslands and savannahs were more common in pre-settlement times than they are today. The grasslands of Ecoregion 30a are considered a southern extension of the mixed grass prairie, expressed as tallgrass or shortgrass dependent upon soil type, moisture availability, and grazing pressure. Grasses include little bluestem, Texas wintergrass, yellow Indiangrass, white tridens, Texas cupgrass, sideoats grama, seep muhly, and common curly mesquite. Ranching is the primary agricultural industry in the region.

IMPROVEMENTS

A cute stone farmhouse serves as the primary residence, and is situated near Rocky Creek amidst a towering canopy of oak/elm/pecan. The structure is clean and usable and can sleep a family over a weekend nicely, and has a fenced yard.

Two large, extremely interesting stone and wood barns are on site, one with living quarters. These large barns are very well-built, and could be restored nicely. A set of cattle working pens is nearby, and the property is fenced with some cross fencing.







WATER RESOURCES

The farm is blessed with abundant water resources, highlighted by over a half mile of both sides of spring-fed Rocky Creek, an area landmark. A well-designed concrete, drive-across dam backs water up over a quarter of a mile, creating one of the most scenic water features in the area. Over ones head in places, the creek offers excellent fishing, floating, rock skipping and swimming, and is lined by lazy, overhanging hardwoods including oak and pecan.

Two water wells exist on site, and abundant groundwater is available in this area at varying depths. A seasonal spring emerges from a small canyon in the SW corner of the ranch, creating a nice pond on the neighbor's property.

AESTHETIC CONSIDERATIONS

This is a clean looking place with loads of potential, having eighty percent loamy or clay soils and very little cedar amongst a solid hardwood forest. The land lies flat along Rocky Creek to the west, and rises 80 feet to a ridge and flat that comprises the SE portion of the property. This top flat features scattered live oak and post oak cover, and is quite scenic, offering distant views to the south and west.

The land falls to the west, with a clean, fertile field being the southeast corner of the ranch, and an awesome bottom of oak/elm/pecan comprising the northern portion. Several cleared areas punctuate the bottom, which provides excellent shelter and habitat for both axis and whitetail deer, as well as hordes of Rio Grande turkeys. The fields are clean and have potential for grapes, trees, improved grasses, or horses.

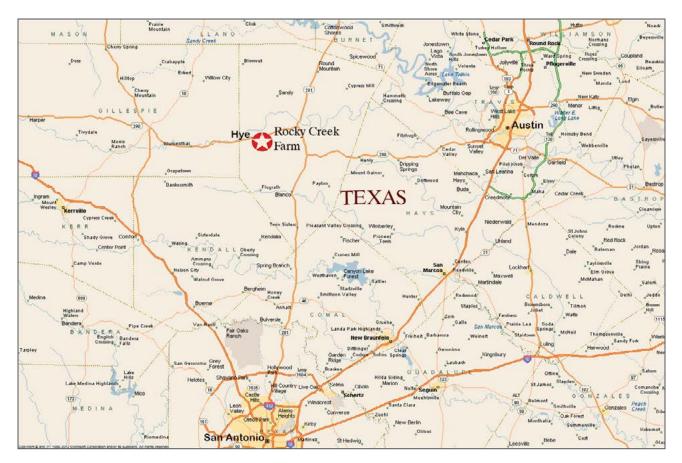
TAXES

Based upon past years, taxes amount to an average of \$662.61.



BROKER'S COMMENTS

Rocky Creek Farm is one of the premier, smaller live water offerings ever in this area. The concrete dam is one of the most solid we've seen, and the water backed up behind it is first rate. The barns are simply awesome, the hardwood bottom is classic, and the fun factor is over the top. If you seek a combination of production, recreation, privacy and location in an affordable package, this is a must-see!



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PRICE

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TERMS

Cash to Seller, who will provide an acceptable survey and basic title insurance. There are no easements on site other than utility, and mineral rights can convey with an acceptable offer. The property is located in the Johnson City ISD and is served by Pedernales Electric.

* The outstanding photography was provided by Kyle Martin of Jackrabbit Studios. Contact information is available upon request.

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