West Texas Day 2

Start: Friday, 4/13/2018 8:00a at Gage Hotel, 102 NW 1st St Highway 90W, Marathon, TX 79842

Goal: Explore a little bit of Big Bend National Park

Goal 2: Leave the Park by 2:30pm to arrive in Marfa by 6:00p via the Presido Route

Be sure to have a FULL tank of Gas in case there are issues within the park. COVID precautions are being observed. Max group size is 8.

Step 1: To the Eastern Edge of the Park

Trip length: 88 miles



Step 2: To Chisos Basin for Lunch and Walk Around

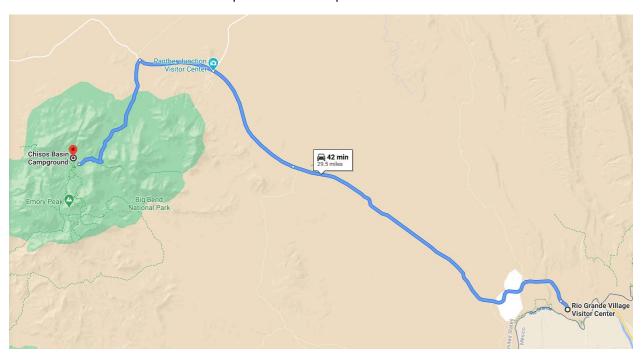
Trip Distance: 30 miles

Note: Chisos Basin Road construction is happening.

Work on the Chisos Basin Road will begin first, require the most extensive work, and result in the most disruption. At times, sections of the Chisos Basin Road will require shutdowns for extended periods.

Chisos Basin Rd. Work Schedule	
Closed	~8:00 am - 11:00 am
Open - with delays	~11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Closed	~1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Open - with delays	~3:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Open all night	~7:00 pm - 8:00 am
Thank you for your patience	

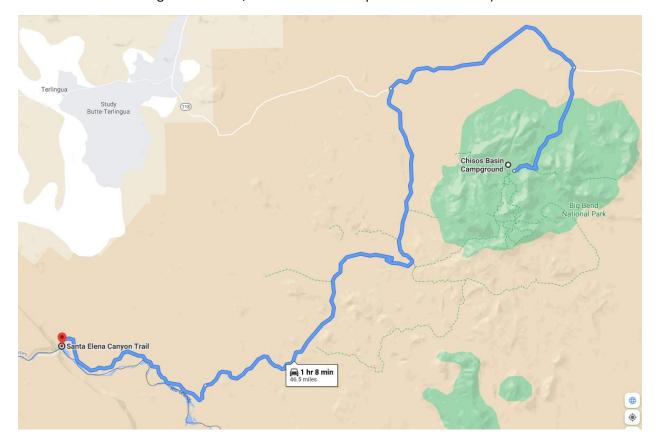
The Chisos Mountains Restaurant is open at noon-6:00p.



If the road is under construction, we will need to continue onward toward the Santa Elena Canyon; We will stop at the Panther Junction for Gas Fill up

Step 3: To Santa Elena Canyon via the Ross Maxwell Scenic Drive

We'll drive this route just to enjoy the scenery. I know some of us may want to do the easy hike (which takes about an hour to go in and back, but is a hard walk up and down the cliffs).



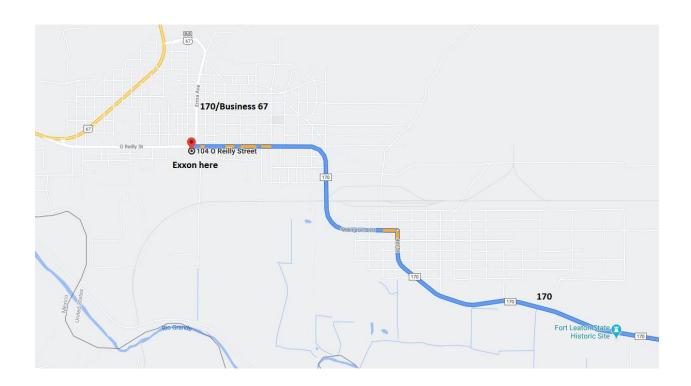
Step 4: Toward Presido along the Texas/Mexico Border https://goo.gl/maps/nCN3GjuonhauTuqSA

Notes:

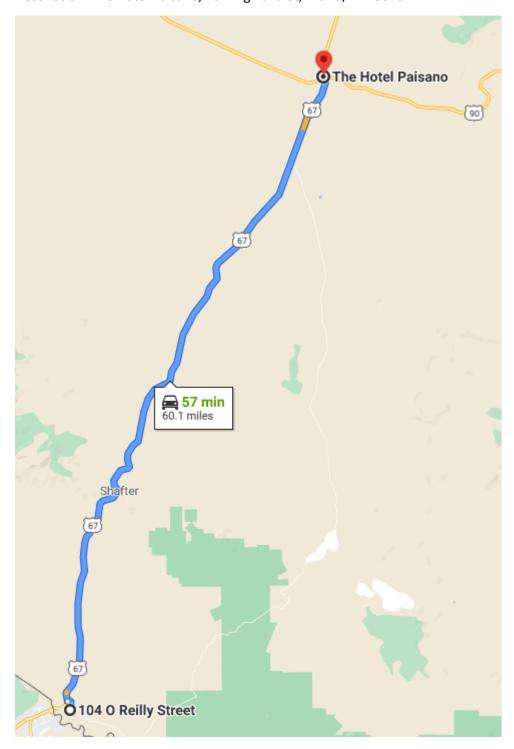
- This road is very twisty and can feel like a roller coaster along with some blind curves slow down if you need to
- We will stop along the way at the Tee-pees and get a group picture, too.
- Leave by 2:00p or there abouts

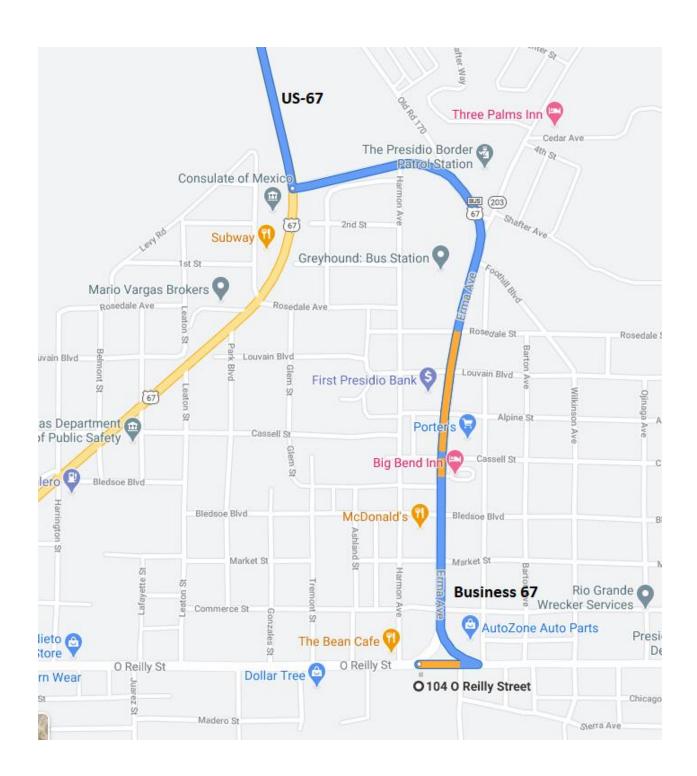
Trip Distance: 109 miles;

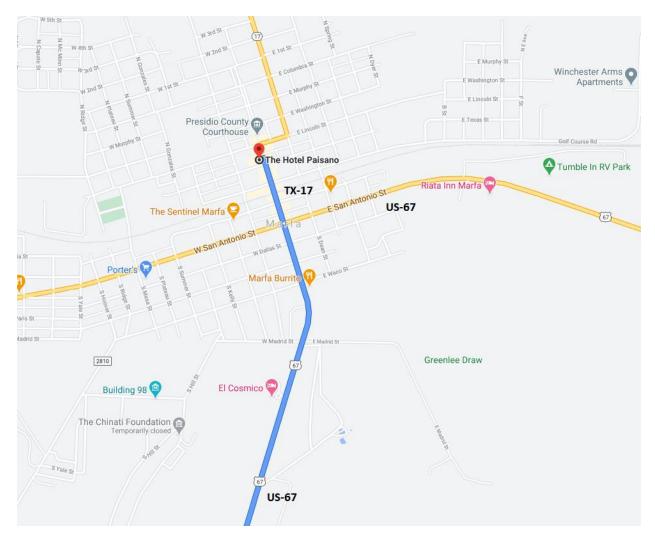




Step 5: Presido to Marfa
Destination: The Hotel Paisano, 207 Highland St, Marfa, TX 79843







Dinner: Jett (onsite at the hotel) @ 7:30p

After dinner, any one want to look for the Marfa Lights?