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# Strange RV Encounters: Corpus Christi Museums



Weird, Wacky, and Wonderful Roadside Attractions



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What it lacks in weird and wacky roadside attractions, [Corpus Christi](#) makes up for with an abundance of museums, all wonderful and all within a few miles of one another.

The beautiful bayfront port of Corpus Christi, population approximately 300,000, sits in the middle of the Gulf Coast. Cruise along Ocean Drive for a spectacular view of the marina. A quick Yahoo! search reveals a wide variety of local museums; far more than I could check out. I listed a few of the top museums below.

The [Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History's](#) Shipwreck Exhibit holds the silver coins and gold bars once the precious cargo of a Spanish fleet that wrecked on Padre Island in 1554.

As part of the museum's exhibits, a replica of Columbus' Nina is anchored in the Corpus Christi marina. I was shocked by the small size of the ship. I can not imagine leaving the bay in a boat only the size of a large car.

The [Art Museum of South Texas'](#) permanent art collection includes modern works in a variety of media. Special exhibitions run concurrently and change frequently.

The colossal [USS Lexington Museum](#) can't be seen in a day. There are several self-guided tours covering 100,000 square feet so bring your walking shoes.

[Texas State Aquarium](#) has dolphins and otters and eagles, oh my! The Floating Phantoms jellyfish exhibit was my favorite. Watching jellies drift about the tanks is calming, and mildly hypnotic. Maybe I should get a jellyfish tank for my RV. If not to calm myself, it could calm my semi-wild cat.

Join me on the next adventure when I visit the famous King Ranch, and King Ranch Museum in Kingsville.

To see many more photos, [follow more of my weird, wacky, and wonderful RV adventures on Flickr.](#)

***Read how it all began: [Strange RV Encounters: An Introduction.](#)***

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foreign countries before, and none seem more foreign than Texas. Rockport, a popular snowbird destination on the coast...



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The Corpus Christi coastline is beautiful! I need to go back and spend more time in the museums.

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I can't wait to visit there...

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