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## Events in Henderson

Plan a trip to the Piney Woods of Texas around one of the special events in [Henderson](#) that celebrate Texas heritage and offer plenty of fun for travelers of all ages. The Heritage Syrup Festival, the East Texas Sacred Harp Singing Convention, and the Antique Tractor and Engine Show are just a few of Henderson's one-of-a-kind events. Much of the action takes places at the picturesque Downtown Heritage Square and the [Rusk County Expo Center](#), host of a PRCA-sanctioned rodeo and other goings-on throughout the year. Discover what's going on in Henderson at any time of the year by checking out the below list of the town's annual events and festivals.

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### February

#### [Mardi Gras Gumbo Cook-Off](#)

Warm up to all of tastings of the gumbo teams, while enjoying the Zydeco Band "Swampland Revival". Win

a sweet treat in the cakewalk and enjoy an assortment of refreshments available for purchase. The event is located at the Henderson Civic Center.

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### [Rusk County Youth Project Show](#)

Shop the arts and crafts auction and watch the livestock show at the annual Rusk County Youth Project Show. Contests are open to all Rusk County 4-H and FFA members.

Rusk County Expo Center  
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### **April**

#### [Antique Tractor and Engine Show](#)

Check out antique tractors and tools, small engine displays, and horse-drawn equipment at the annual Antique Tractor and Engine Show the fourth Friday and Saturday in April. Watch saw mill demonstrations, rope making, corn grinding, hay bailing, tractor races, pulls, and a parade.

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#### [A Day on Main](#)

Spring downtown shopping

Food trucks

Refreshments

100 E Main St.

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### **April - May**

#### [East Texas Wildflower Driving Tour](#)

Grab some sodas or malt shakes, roll the windows down, and take the scenic, vibrant East Texas Wildflower Driving Tour through Rusk County. Mid-April through the end of May is typically the best time of year to take this tour.

For a brochure of routes, contact the Henderson Tourism Department.

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### **May - October**

#### [Rusk County Farmers' Market](#)

Get fresh produce plucked from the surrounding East Texas farms at the Rusk County Farmers' Market. Open Saturdays from 7am until sold out.

302 Fairpark Avenue  
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## August

### [East Texas Sacred Harp Singing Convention](#)

Listen to talented Sacred Harp performers sing a unique style of religious folk music developed in New England in the 1700's. Sacred Harp, traditionally sung a capella, is recognized for its use of the minor key and four-part harmony.

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## September

### [Art Walk](#)

Main Street Henderson  
Fine art on display from an array of  
local and regional artists  
Sidewalk musical performances  
FREE  
100 E Main St  
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## October

### [PRCA Black Gold Stampede Rodeo](#)

Grab your boots and cowboy hat and head to the Black Gold Stampede Rodeo to see the best of the best compete in events such as bull riding, team roping, barrel riding, saddle bronc riding, calf roping, and bareback bronc riding.

Rusk County Expo Center  
3303 FM 13 West  
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## November

### [Heritage Syrup Festival](#)

Celebrate folk life in East Texas at the annual Heritage Syrup Festival, held on the second Saturday in November. More than 250 arts & crafts vendors on display. Learn how to make cane syrup the old-fashioned way, and take in demonstrations by folk artists and craftsmen, and cloggers and square dancers. A classic car show, activities for the youngsters, and live music are all part of the fun, as well.

514 North High Street and 100 E. Main  
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## December

### [Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting](#)

Kick off the holiday season with an evening tree-lighting ceremony followed by a festive parade in downtown Henderson. Always the Thursday after



Thanksgiving.  
100 E Main St.  
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