# **Carlsbad Caverns**

National Park
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## AREA

## INFORMATION

#### CARLSBAD

Carlsbad, New Mexico is a city of 30,000, located on the banks of the historic Pecos River with the foothills of the Guadalupe Mountains to the west and desert plains to the east. It is 20 miles north of Carlsbad Caverns National Park (27 miles from the park visitor center).

It was founded in 1893 and was originally named Eddy after an early settler. The name was changed to Carlsbad in May 1899 because the springs in the area were similar to those at the Karlsbad spa in what is now Czechoslovakia. Cattle trails, including the Chisholm and Goodnight-Loving, passed through the Carlsbad area.

The city has many restaurants and motels and also offers a variety of recreational activities.

#### WHITE'S CITY

White's City is 7 miles east of the caverns. In 1927 Charlie White, an early settler to the area, recognized the potential value of the land at the mouth of Walnut Canyon because the canyon led up to the cavern entrance. He homesteaded the area and built White's Cavern Camp which later became White's City. Although Charlie

White and cavern explorer James Larkin White were friends, they were not related.

Facilities at White's City include a gas station, restaurant, motel, campground, and related shops.

### MOTELS

Carlsbad Inn 601 South Canal 505/887-3541

Cavern Inn Whites City 505/785-2291

Carlsbad Travelodge South 3817 National Parks Hwy. 505/887-8888

Continental Inn
3820 National Parks Hwy.
505/887-0341

Deluxe Motel 1621 South Canal 505/885-4914

Driftwood Motel 844 South Canal 505/887-6522

El Rey Motel 3515 National Parks Hwy. 505/887-5331 La Caverna Motel 223 South Canal 505/885-4151

La Fonda Motel 1522 South Canal 505/885-6242

Lorlodge Motel 2019 South Canal 505/887-1171

Motel 6 3824 National Parks Hwy. 505/885-0011

Motel Stevens 1829 South Canal 505/887-2851

Park Inn International 3706 National Parks Hwy. 505/887-2861

Park View Motel 401 East Greene 505/885-3117 Rodeway Inn 3804 National Parks Hwy. 505/887-5535

> Royal Manor Motel 2001 South Canal 505/885-3191

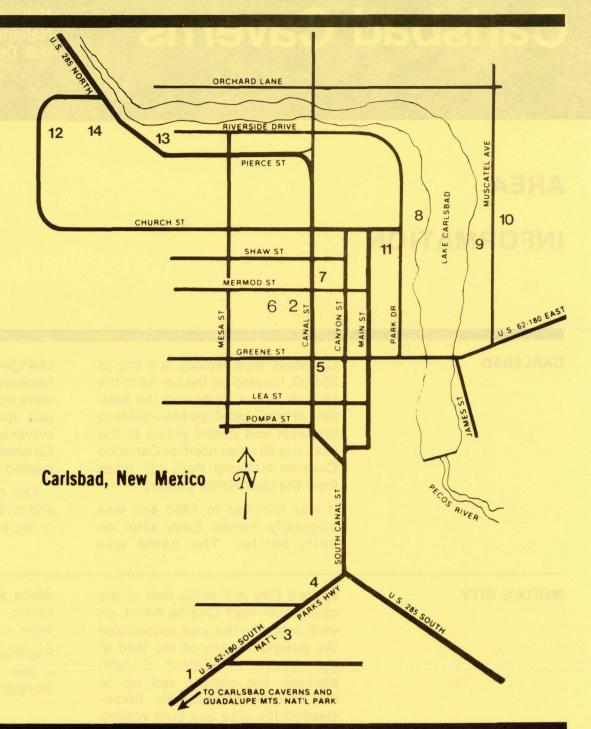
Stage Coach Motel 1819 South Canal 505/887-1148

Restroom Door 32"

Ramped Entrance;
Restroom Door 27" to 30"

#### **POINTS OF INTEREST**

- 1. Carlsbad Airport
- 2. Federal Building
- 3. Carlsbad Civic Center
- 4. National Parks
  Information Center,
  Administrative Office,
  and Bookstore
- Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce
- 6. Carlsbad Museum and Art Center
- 7. Eddy County Court House
- 8. Lake Carlsbad Park and Swimming Beach
- President's Park Amusement Park
- 10. Municipal Golf Course
- 11. Carlsbad Tennis Complex
- 12. Living Desert State Park
- 13. Guadalupe Medical Center
- 14. New Mexico State
  University at
  Carlsbad



#### **CAMPGROUNDS**

KOA CAMPGROUND: Located on Highway 62-180 South

4301 National Parks Highway Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 505/885-6333

Privately owned. Fee. Electric, sewer and water hookups, laundromat, indoor swimming pool and groceries. Shade trees and grass.

LAKE CARLSBAD CAMPGROUND:

Located in Carlsbad on the east bank of the Pecos River off Highway 62-180 East (Greene Street)

P. O. Box 1569 Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 505/885-4435

City owned and operated. Fee. Showers, restrooms, water, tables and grills. Swim free.

PARK ENTRANCE R.V. PARK & CAMPGROUND: Located in White's City Highway 62-180 South

P. O. Box 128 White's City, New Mexico 88268 505/785-2291

Privately owned. Fee. Sewer, electric and water hookups. Showers, restrooms, tables, laundromat, groceries and gasoline. Swim free.

WINDMILL R.V. PARK: Located on Highway 62-180 South

3624 National Parks Highway Carlsbad, New Mexico 88220 505/885-9761

Privately owned. Fee. Water, sewer and electric hookups. Showers, restrooms, laundromat, pool, sauna, grocery store and gasoline.

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