

The Battle of Gonzales

Gonzales is the site of the first skirmish of the Texas Revolution. In 1831, the Mexican government gave Gonzales a small cannon for protection against Indian attacks. At the outbreak of disputes between the Anglo settlers and the Mexican authorities in 1835, a contingent of more than 100 Mexican soldiers was sent from San Antonio to retrieve the cannon.

There were only 18 men in Gonzales, but they refused to return the cannon, and soon men from the surrounding area joined them. Texans under the command of John Henry Moore confronted them. Sarah DeWitt and her daughter sewed a flag bearing the likeness of the cannon and the words "Come and Take It", which was flown when the first shots of Texan independence were fired on October 2, 1835. The Texans successfully resisted the Mexican troops in what became known as the Battle of Gonzales.

Local merchants on your route that support this walk include:

321 Pop - UP Market - 319 St. Lawrence

The China Basket - 617 St. Joseph

Shear Designs Boutique - 805 St. Joseph

The Hearty Gourmet - 813 St. Joseph

And we highly recommend the **Running M Bar & Grill** by the square for a great lunch.



Historic Gonzales

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