

## IMPORTANT!

There is bridge construction that is currently ongoing by Texas Department of Transportation, TxDOT, ([View News Release from Texas Department of Transportation](#)) in the area of I-37 that passes over the Nueces River which flows and gives Labonte Park its shape.

Due to the construction work by TxDOT, there is **only one entrance to Labonte Park** through the underpass of I-37 via the northbound I-37 Frontage Road (access road) where there is a bridge height clearance of 12ft 6in. **If your RV and/or vehicle height exceeds the bridge height clearance, you will not be able to access Labonte Park and you will be stuck at the underpass.**

Please follow the directional signs found along the road either getting to or exiting Labonte Park. Construction began in October 2021 and is expected to end in March 2027. Per TxDOT, the project is approximately 2.3 miles long and construction is expected to last 5.5 years. To view status of this road project and any road project by TxDOT: <https://drivetexas.org/> (pin set to Construction on IH0037 Road Construction and Bridge Replacement (IH 37)).

## I-37 Nueces River Bridge Reconstruction Notice/Updates

- Motorists are urged to slow down in the work zone and be alert to workers, slow-moving heavy equipment and traffic control devices such as concrete barriers. Lane closures are subject to change without notice. To view status of any road project by TxDOT: <https://drivetexas.org/> (pin set to Construction on IH0037 Road Construction and Bridge Replacement (IH 37)).
- **Options Accessing Labonte Park**  
Due the construction work by TxDOT, there is obstruction access to Labonte Park. **Please plan accordingly.** [View Labonte Park map for more details.](#)
  - **Driving from Corpus Christi on I-37 heading North**
    - Take I-37 going north. Turn right and take Exit 14B heading north. Look for sign (Redbird Ln). Redbird Lane will merge and convert to I-37 Frontage Road (access road). Do not get back onto I-37. Please continue and follow the I-37 Frontage Road (access road) which will take you to Labonte Park.
    - **Please note:** There is a **bridge height clearance of 12ft 6in.** **If your RV and/or vehicle height exceeds the bridge height clearance, you will not be able to access Labonte Park and you will be stuck at the underpass.**

# Driving Instructions to Access Labonte Park

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- ***If you missed taking Exit 14B toward Redbird Lane***, continue heading north on I-37. Take northbound Exit 17. Look for sign (77 North/Sinton/Victoria), turn left on the first turnaround to get back onto I-37 going southbound. **Please note: Southbound I-37 Exit 16 is closed.** Please follow directional signs posted by TxDOT which will lead you to Ripple Road. From Ripple Road, turn left, go through the underpass of I-37, and turn left to get onto and keep on the access road going north. Do not get back onto I-37. Please follow the I-37 Frontage Road (access road) which will take you to Labonte Park.
  - **Please note:** There is a **bridge height clearance of 12ft 6in.** **If your RV and/or vehicle height exceeds the bridge height clearance, you will not be able to access Labonte Park and you will be stuck at the underpass.**
- **Driving from Kingsville on I-69E heading North**
    - Take US-77 going north. Continue and follow US-77 and I-69 heading north. Turn left heading North. Look for sign (North 37/77 San Antonio/Victoria). Do not go South toward Corpus Christi. Please continue and use the first ramp on the right to get onto Sharpsburg Road. Sharpsburg Road will merge and convert to I-37 Frontage Road (access road). Do not get back onto I-37. Please continue and follow the I-37 Frontage Road (access road) which will take you to Labonte Park.
    - **Please note:** There is a **bridge height clearance of 12ft 6in.** **If your RV and/or vehicle height exceeds the bridge height clearance, you will not be able to access Labonte Park and you will be stuck at the underpass.**
    - ***If you missed taking the exit to Sharpsburg Road***, continue heading north on I-37. Take northbound Exit 17. Look for sign (77 North/Sinton/Victoria), turn left on the first turnaround to get back onto I-37 going southbound. **Please note. Southbound I-37 Exit 16 is closed.** Please follow directional signs posted by TxDOT which will lead you to Ripple Road. From Ripple Road, turn left, go through the underpass of I-37, and turn left to get onto and keep on the access road going north. Do not get back onto I-37. Please follow the I-37 Frontage Road (access road) which will take you to Labonte Park.
    - **Please note:** There is a **bridge height clearance of 12ft 6in.** **If your RV and/or vehicle height exceeds the bridge height clearance, you will not be able to access Labonte Park and you will be stuck at the underpass.**

- **Driving from San Antonio, Victoria, Houston heading South**
  - **Please note: Southbound I-37 Exit 16 is closed.** Please follow directional signs posted by TxDOT which will lead you to Ripple Road. From Ripple Road, turn left, go through the underpass of I-37, and turn left to get onto and keep on the access road going north. Do not get back onto I-37. Please follow the I-37 Frontage Road (access road) which will take you to Labonte Park.
  - **Please note:** There is a **bridge height clearance of 12ft 6in.** If your RV and/or vehicle height exceeds the bridge height clearance, you will **not** be able to access Labonte Park and you will be stuck at the underpass.
  
- **Options Departing Labonte Park**
  - **Use first ramp** on left to get onto I-37 going southbound toward either Corpus Christi or Kingsville.
  - If you'd like to go northbound, please follow the southbound I-37 Frontage Road (access road). Please follow directional signs posted by TxDOT which will lead you to Ripple Road. From Ripple Road, simply turn left, go through the underpass of I-37, and turn left get onto and keep on the access road going north and use the first ramp on left to get onto I-37 heading north.

### ***During your stay at Labonte Park***

General Park Rules: (1) no alcohol is allowed at any park, (2) no glass containers are allowed at any park, (3) no vehicles be parked on top of grass at any park and (4) no campfires allowed in the park; you can bring a BBQ pit and have a fire in an enclosed box, but not on the open ground.

At Labonte Park, you're welcome to park either your RV and/or vehicle along the paved road; however, we ask that no vehicles park on top of the grass. There is no assigned camping spot other than the Easter Holiday Weekend, so you're welcome to camp wherever you'd like within the park.

**This park is a city park without camping amenities**, which means there is no water and electricity available. If you're looking for these types of amenities, we recommend visiting the website for either [Mustang Island State Park](#) or [Padre Island National Seashore](#) to learn more information about their camping rates and amenities.

- If you're fishing along the Nueces River at Labonte Park, please make sure to always have a valid fishing license. **To learn more about fishing regulations or about the sport of fishing in Texas, please contact Texas Parks & Wildlife Information at 1-800-792-1112.** If you need a boat and fishing license, please contact Texas Parks & Wildlife at 361-289-5566.