

2002 Winter Ag Study Tour
Texas
Proposed Itinerary

Day 1/ Sun., January 20, 2002

Depart Columbia, SC Airport at 9:20 am on Continental Airlines
Arrive Harlingen, Texas Airport on Continental at 1:01 pm

Freshen-up, gather baggage
Depart airport by charter bus

Tourist visits: Harlingen - Jackson Street Area
Port Isabel - Lighthouse

Group picture at lighthouse
Dutch dinner on South Padre Island

Overnight: Harlingen – La Quinta Inns

Day 2/ Mon., January 21, 2002

Continental breakfast at hotel

Ag visits: Brownsville – Rio Grande Nursery
Harlingen – Harlingen Shrimp Farm

Dutch lunch at Los Asados Mexican Restaurant

Ag visits: Santa Rosa – Rio Grande Valley Sugar

Mill

Aloe Vera grower/ plant

Tourist visit: McAllen – Oil/ gas production facility

Sponsored dinner at Case del Taco

Overnight: McAllen – La Quinta Inns

Day 3/ Tue., January 22, 2002

Continental breakfast at hotel

Ag visits: Mission – Rio Queen Citrus
Big Tex
Texas Citrus Exchange Juice

Plant

Citrus grower farms

Sponsored lunch at Texas T Bar-B-Q

Ag visits: Weslaco – Texas A&M Research Center
Irrigated cotton farm

Tourist visits: Nuevo Progreso, Mexico (walk across
border) –

Free time for shopping and dinner

Overnight: McAllen – La Quinta Inns

Day 4/ Wed., January 23, 2002

Continental breakfast at hotel

Ag visits: Edinburg – J D Produce (greens)
Raymondville – Kenaf Industries

Lunch

Tourist visit: Raymondville - boot making family

Ag visits: Kingsville – King Ranch
King Ranch Saddle Shop

Hosted BBQ dinner at King Ranch

Overnight: Kingsville – Comfort Inn

Day 5/ Thurs., January 24, 2002

Continental breakfast at hotel

Ag visits: Corpus Christi – Sam Kanc Beef

Processing Plant

Grain Elevator

Brookshire Cold Storage

Sponsored lunch

Ag visit: Edroy – Beef feedyard

Tourist visits: Corpus Christi – USS Lexington
Watgardens at

Bayfront Park

Group/ school picture at the Watgardens

Dinner

Overnight: Corpus Christi – Hampton Inn

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Day 6/ Fri., January 25, 2002

Continental breakfast at hotel

Ag visits: Kenedy- Grass/ seed farm
Floresville – Promised Land Jersey Dairy

Hosted lunch at dairy

Ag visits: Seguin – Tyson Poultry operations
D&D Farm & Ranch
Supermarket

Sponsored dinner at Buckhorn Saloon & Museum

Overnight: San Antonio – Hawthorne Suites (Riverwalk)

Day 7/ Sat., January 26, 2002

Full breakfast at hotel

Ag visits: Uvalde – Vegetable farms
Pearsall – Greenhouse herb operation

Sponsored Lunch

Ag visit: Yancey – Deer farming operation

Optional tourist visits: San Antonio – Lone Star Trolley Tour
IMAX Theatre

or

Free time/ shopping

Overnight: San Antonio – Hawthorne Suites (Riverwalk)

Day 8/ Sun., January 27, 2002

Full breakfast at hotel

Optional: Mini worship service at hotel

Tourist visits: San Antonio – Mission San Juan
The Alamo
Institute of Texas Culture

Afternoon – free time/ shopping

or

Optional tourist visits: San Antonio – Scenic riverwalk boat
cruise

Cowboy Museum
El Mercado (Mexican

Market)

Overnight: San Antonio – Hawthorne Suites (Riverwalk)

Day 9/ Mon., January 28, 2002

Full breakfast at hotel

Ag visits: Boerne – Greenhouse orchids
Fredericksburg – Flower seed operation
Winery

Sponsored Lunch

Ag visits: Stonewall – LBJ Ranch
Blanco – Nursery/ Floral Operation

Overnight: San Antonio – Hawthorne Suites (Riverwalk)

Day 10/ Tue., January 29, 2002

Full breakfast at hotel

Depart hotel at 8:00 am

Depart San Antonio Airport at 10:05 am on Continental Airlines

Arrive Columbia Airport on Continental at 4:50 pm