

What is the difference between Texas and New York?



It's been a while since I've had a bur under my saddle. I reckon after a soothing foot massage and a week of vacation, I returned to the Crow's Nest nice and relaxed, not to mention well-groomed. But just recently I heard about this self-proclaimed comedian up in New York rantin' and cussin' our fine state. Louis Black on *The Daily Show* a couple of weeks ago really bashed our beloved state in a foul-mouthed tirade. It was mostly aimed toward Gov. Perry, but Black took it way too far, mostly to his left, and started cussin' the Lone Star State, and he even cursed the Alamo. Whoa now, pardner, you can cuss my governor, and you can cuss Tony Romo and even our hot summer weather, but don't you dare spit venom on the walls of the Alamo!

First of all, I am not a fan of Lewis Black. He's as ignorant as a half-wit mule and about as funny as a mime with Tourette's.

Naw, I'll take that back. A mime with Tourette's might actually be kinda humorous if you think about it. Mr. Black may be popular in New York City, but I doubt he takes his show on the roads south of I-40. If he spat that crap at an audience in some Texas theater, I guarantee he'd be making an appointment with his Manhattan proctologist to schedule the surgical removal of a cowboy boot wedged high up his rectum. You can't assault a Texas shrine and get away with it. Just ask Santa Ana.

Now, I know of Lewis got his lacy panties in a wad after Gov. Perry visited the northeastern states in an attempt to lure Yankee businesses into moving to Texas to escape high taxes and strict regulations. Gov. Perry stated several incentives for relocating in Texas, like lower taxes and a cheaper cost of living, but being a True Texan, Rick might've started bragging a little about other benefits of living in Texas like lots of elbow room, pleasant winters, wonderful barbecue and clear blue skies. I think Mr. Black got a little offended and vented his frustration of living in

a concrete jungle filled with millions of angry people who think BBQ tastes better with ketchup on it.

Sure, there have been cultural differences between New Yorkers and Texans for centuries, and for the life of me, I don't know why in tarnation Perry wants to bring more Yankees to Texas. Don't we already have enough of them down here to keep us laughing? It's had enough with the constant immigration of those people who creep across our border, taking jobs from Texans and cramming our roads with their fancy hybrid cars with California plates. Why can't Perry suggest relocating northern businesses to Texas but emphasize the benefits of actually living in Oklahoma and commuting across the Red River?

You might ask, "Clint, what are some of those differences between the two states?" Well, let me tell you, pardner! I could easily list hundreds of dissimilarities, but I'll limit it to just a few. I wouldn't want to persuade more Yankees to move down here. So, here are my Top 10 differences between Texas and

New York:

1. New York has Staten Island. Texas has Padre Island which actually has palm trees, sandy beaches and beautiful sunsets.

2. I can step outside my Texas home and walk across fifty acres without seeing another living soul. A New Yorker can't walk 50 feet without bumping into a dozen scurrying, grumpy people.

3. In Texas, you'll find all sorts of tasty meat simmering on a grill. In New York City, there's no shortage of grills, but their meat gets slapped onto a bun and covered with pickle relish.

4. The governor of Texas is accustomed to dropping a nasty coyote on a jogging trail. A candidate for mayor of New York City is accustomed to dropping his drawers.

5. While on that subject, New York wives tend to tolerate tomcat husbands. Texas women are handy with carving knives and know how to put a stop to a wandering Weiner.

6. New York has the Big Apple with towering skyscrapers and miles of asphalt. Texas

has Big Bend with statuesque cacti and miles of nature's beauty.

7. New Yorkers talk real funny. Us Texans talk pert-near perfect Ainglish.

8. It gets real cold up in New York in January. Down in Texas on New Year's Day, you'll find folks sitting out under an oak tree drinking cold beer, inhaling the sweet aroma of brisket on the pit and watching football on a TV sitting atop a picnic table.

9. In New York, subways are filled with the odor of dozens of people who don't think their armpits stink. Subways here in Texas smell like freshly baked bread and costs \$5 for a 6" sandwich.

10. Up in New York, there's an angry idiot on TV fussin' and cussin' up a storm. Down here in Texas, there are folks still grinning like a possum at the image of a mime with Tourette's.

What's new Wimberley Village Library

Shark Week will end with a teen movie night at the Wimberley Village Library.

"Jaws" will be shown at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, at the library. Refreshments will be served.

Teen volunteers will put on a puppet show of "Asesop's Fables" at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9, at the library.

New fiction titles at the library include "Entwined With You" by Sylvia Day.

New to the biography shelves are "Story of My People" by Edoardo Nesi and "Like the Roman: The Life of Enoch Powell" by Simon Heffen.

New nonfiction includes the following:
 • "Book of Majors 2014" by the College Board
 • "Reading Latin" by P.V. Jones
 • "Listening: The Forgotten Skill" by Madelyn Burley-Al- len and "Managing Assertively" by the same author
 • "Personal Productivity Secrets" by Maura Thomas
 • "Charles M. Russell and the Art of Counting Coup" by Brian Dippie and "Remington and Russell" by the same author
 • "Sid Richardson Collection of Western Art" by the Sid Richardson Museum

New young adult fiction includes the following:

• "Starcrossed" by Josephine Angelini
 • "Don't Judge a Girl by her Cover" by Ally Carter
 • "Just Listen" by Sara Dessen and "The Truth About Forever" by the same author
 • "Afterlife" and "Fateful" by Claudia Gray

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ing volunteers to help maintain our garden throughout the year. Our garden consists of 17 raised beds, a baby fig tree and a flower bed. We have a drip irrigation system but we do have a few plants that need watering.

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someone, or a group of people, who will be able to tend to our garden at least 2-3 times per week: weeding, harvesting and seasonal care (fertilizing, planting new seeds, pulling crops, etc.).

We have all of the materials available for your use so if

you have time, and a love for gardening, then we would love for you to care for our gardens. Thank you so much and we look forward to hearing from you.

Happy gardening!
 If interested, please email Julia at julia@cyjtxas.org

WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Hill Country Consignment offers quality on a budget



AMY GUYNES

With prices rising everyday, dressing your family on a budget can be a difficult task. But Amy Guynes decided to simplify this challenge for the town of Wimberley and surrounding areas.

Wanting to bring something to Wimberley that was much needed, Guynes brought her long-time love for consignment stores to the community. Amy was brand new to opening a business when she started, going from occupational therapist to opening a business and learning along the way. She accomplished it all with the help of her family which includes her husband, daughter and the helping hands of her mother-in-law Judy

Eudy, and Donna Wyatt coming on board as her business partner as well as other family members, friends and dedicated staff showing Hill Country Consignment truly is a family affair.

Four years ago Guynes opened up Hill Country Kids, a consignment shop full of clothing, toys, accessories, and other various items for children. With the growing business and after much suggestion and a lot of prayer, Hill Country Kids expanded into Hill Country Consignment now in a location three times the size of the first and carrying everything the previous store did plus an array of clothing and accessories for teens, men, and women

as well as a variety of furniture and home decor items.

Guynes prides herself in being different from a thrift store. The difference between a consignment shop and a thrift store is that consignors receive a percentage of money back when their items sell while a thrift store relies solely on donations. Guynes also takes the time to ensure the items for sale in her store are always in excellent condition, if not brand new, and something she wouldn't mind putting on her child or herself.

There's always a sale going on at Hill Country Consignment so there's always a rea-

son to check it out. Items that have been in the store for over 30 days are 10 percent off, over 60 days are 30 percent off, and over 90 days are 50 percent off. Also, if you post a picture of the bargain you found during your visit on the Hill Country Consignment Facebook page, you will receive ten percent off your next purchase.

Guynes and her business give back to the community and support other local organizations in any way they can. Hill Country Consignment donates to Wimberley Special Olympics and the two local thrift shops in town. They also give to students in the Wimber-

ley school district in need of clothing and shoes. At Christmas, the store donates to the elderly of the community by giving gift certificates as a token of their appreciation. With their service and support for Wimberley, Hill Country Consignment proves they are truly what their community needed.

Hill Country Consignment accepts seasonal clothing for men, women, children, and teens, shoes, home decor, jewelry, DVDs, CDs, accessories, and much more! Stop by the store soon and see for yourself. They'll be happy to see you and you'll be happy to see the savings.



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