Amarillo Trivia

Where in Amarillo can you get a 72 oz. steak and trimmings free?

Big Texan Steak Ranch - if you eat the steak and trimmings within 1 hour

What is the name of the 2nd largest canyon in the country, located just southwest of Amarillo? Palo Duro (meaning hard wood)

What does the word "Amarillo" mean?

"Yellow" in Spanish (due to the yellow subsoil and wild flowers)

What is the name of the musical epic, played in the Pioneer Amphitheater in the Palo Duro Canyon each summer? "TEXAS"

What is the name of the State's largest history museum, located just south of Amarillo on the campus of West Texas A&M University?

Panhandle Plains Historical Museum

What is the name of the amusement park in Amarillo – considered the largest between Dallas & Denver? Wonderland Park

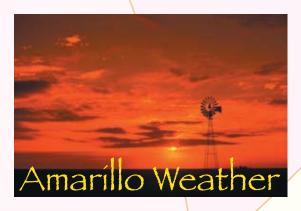
What is unique about Wonderland Park?

Was voted as having the best double loop steel roller coaster in the country

One of Amarillo's events is the World Championship Chuckwagon Cook-off. Who is credited with inventing the chuckwagon? Charles Goodnight, former Texas Ranger and one of the first big ranchers in the Panhandle

Having the 3rd longest runway in the world at Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport, allows what to land there?

We're 3rd alternate landing site for the space shuttle



Amarillo Climate Data

Average Annual Temperature 57.2 degrees
Average Annual Precipitation 19.1 inches
Average Annual Wind Speed 13.6 mph
Average Annual Humidity 56%
Percentage of Yearly Sunshine 73%

Amarillo enjoys a mild climate with four distinct seasons. the city averages around 20 inches of rain a year, average wind speed is 13.6mph. Soil types and farming practices prevent airborne dust. Amarillo averages 1,428 cooling degree days and 4,231 heating degree days. Mean number of clear, partly cloudy, and cloudy days are 156.2, 104.8 and 104.3 respectively.

Summer temperatures are moderated by our high altitude (3,676 ft.), with nights 25 to 30 degrees cooler than daytime highs. Humidity is wonderfully low and the breeze is constant.

In the winter, our typically sunny skies raise average daily maximum temperatures to about 50 degrees, even in December, January and February.