

# **RIO BLANCO RANCHES** 2382+/- Acres Hays/Comal Counties

Protected for decades by a well known non-profit, this idyllic Hill Country Ranch is being offered for the first time in seven tracts. Lying in the heart of the Texas Hill Country, along the edge of the Edwards Plateau this property boasts the iconic Devil's Backbone ridge, a prominent geographic feature in Hays and Comal Counties. Towering Cypress Trees line the pristine, deep water frontage along both sides of the Blanco River for a mile. Panoramic vistas of the surrounding Hill Country from the Devil's Backbone and the twelve additional mesas on the ranch are unmatched. Since the mid Twentieth Century, this 2,382 acre ranch has been preserved in its natural state evidenced by the land stewardship of the previous owners.

Rio Blanco Ranch has frontage on both sides of the Blanco River. The Harry E. Bovay, Jr. low water dam and crossing provides a cypress-lined, blue hole stretch of river for fishing, kayaking, and swimming. Carpers Creek and Dutch Creek, which are located just up the river help feed the deep water along the property's banks. There are several water wells on the property that service the ranch amenities.

# FLORA:

The eastern portion of the ranch provides miles of hiking and horseback riding trails through rugged topography. Live Oaks, Spanish Oaks, Elms, Madrones, Ash Juniper, and Texas Red Oak trees line these trails and are the general makeup of the timber that can be found in the backcountry of the ranch. The topographic relief on this portion of the property is approximately 400 feet. The highest point, Little Round Top Mesa, sits at 1,276 feet above sea level. The Wimberley fault lies beneath the eastern portion of the ranch, which travels southwest to northeast. Frio Springs and Indian Valley Springs, located in the canyon, emerge from the subsurface due to the location of the Wimberley fault. Downstream of the springs there are several sections with crystal clear pools two to five feet deep. In the northeast corner of the ranch, a low water dam captures the waters of Frio and Indian valley springs. The western portion of the ranch is home to many improvements and a well-maintained road infrastructure. As you move down towards the river, Hickory, Cypress, Pecans, Sycamores and Wild plum trees can be found.

# LOCATION:

Rio Blanco Ranch is located 18 miles west of San Marcos, providing easy access from both IH 35 and US Highway 281. The main entrance to the ranch on Ranch Road 32 is conveniently located under one hour from either Austin of San Antonio. Access to Tracts 1, 2, 3 and 4 are from a newly constructed private, paved road from Ranch Road 32. Tracts 3, 4 and 5 will have additional access directly to Ranch Road 32 as well.

# FAUNA:

There has been very little hunting on the ranch in the past 63 years. Whitetail Deer, Feral Hog and a variety of Varmints are present on the ranch. There is a vast array of songbirds, hoot owls, screech owls, chaparrals, raptors and Rio Grande Wild Turkey.

# **IMPROVEMENTS:**

There are multiple water wells throughout the property. Depending on which tract there are multiple houses, barns equestrian facilities, swimming pool and rifle/archery ranges.

# ELECTRICITY:

Electricity can be found throughout the western portion of the ranch

The River Pasture — 536 Acres \$25,000 per acre or \$13,400,000

Headquarters Pasture — 325 Acres \$15,000 per acre or \$4,875,000

The South Pasture — 354 Acres \$12,500 per acre or \$4,425,000

The Bathtub Pasture — 250 Acres \$11,500 per acre or \$2,875,000

The Little Round Top Mesa Pasture — 338 Acres \$11,500 per acre or \$3,887,000

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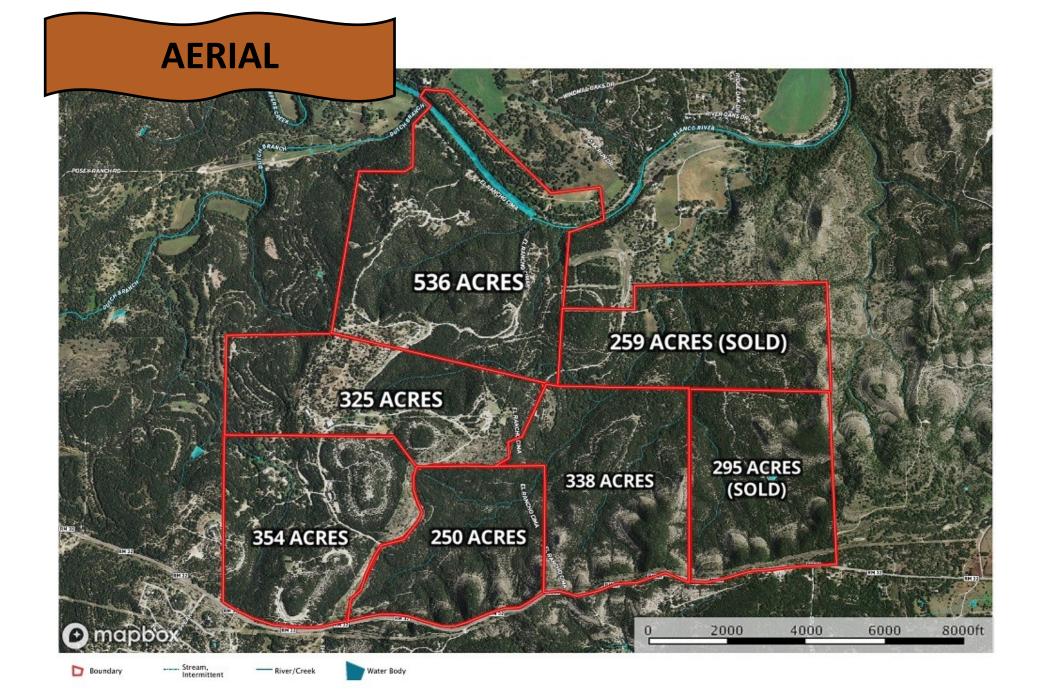






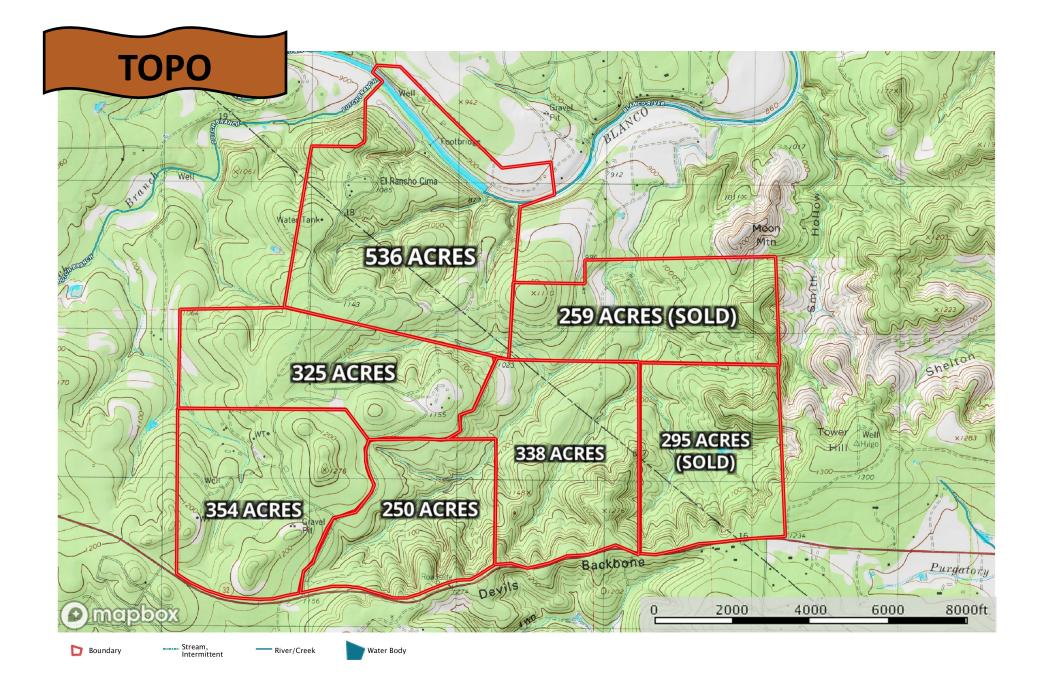






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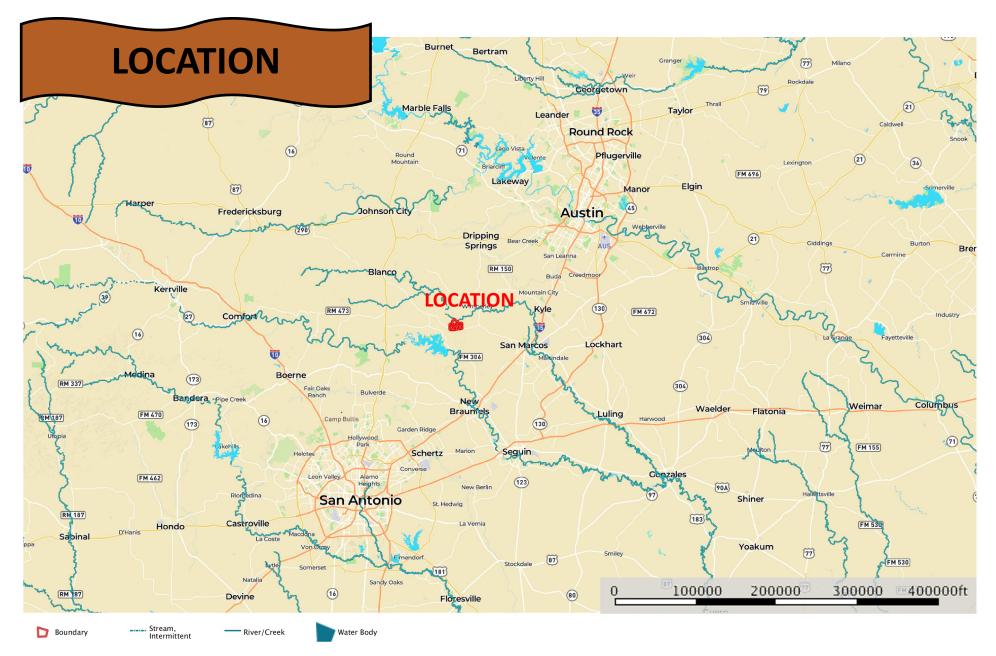
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- Must not, unless specifically authorized in writing to do so by the party, disclose:
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