

# GAGE HOTEL

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CATHOLIC CHURCH



3RD. STREET



CHapel HOUSE



BAPTIST CHURCH



MARATHON Public Library



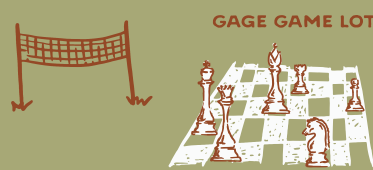
MARATHON MUSEUM

BUILT IN 1927 BY FAMED ARCHITECT HENRY TROST FOR PIONEER TEXAS RANCHER, ALFRED S. GAGE, THE BEAUTIFULLY RESTORED GAGE HOTEL IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF MISSION AND SPANISH-STYLE DESIGN.

CAPTAIN SHEPARD'S HOUSE



2ND. STREET

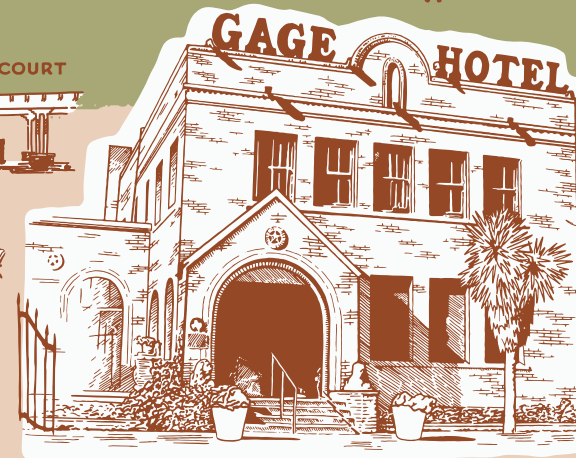


GAGE GAME LOT



CELAYA HOUSE

HISTORIC HOTEL



DANCE COURT

SKULL WALL AT 12 GAGE

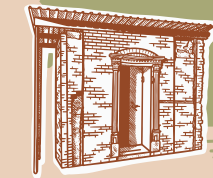
12 GAGE RESTAURANT

B.A.R. AT 12 GAGE

V6 COFFEE

V6 GALLERY

FRENCH Grocer



ORIGINAL BRICK VAULT BUILT IN 1893

BRICK VAULT BREWERY & BARBECUE



GAGE WELLNESS SPA & FITNESS



LOS PORTALES



N 1ST. STREET

AMTRAK SUNSET EXPRESS



RITCHEY BROTHERS



MARATHON HEALTH CENTER

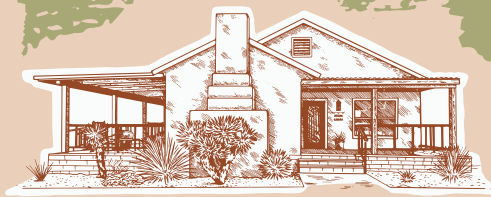
WILSON HOUSE



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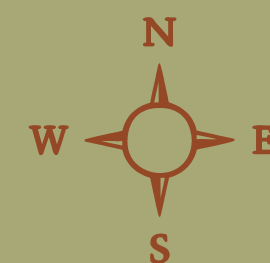


GAGE GARDENS



WEDIN HOUSE

107 AIRPORT ROAD LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF GAGE GARDENS



Marathon was founded in 1882 by Captain Albion E. Shepard who worked as a surveyor for the Galveston, Harrisburg, and San Antonio Railway. Shepard, a former ship captain, named the town Marathon because the surrounding mountainous terrain reminded him of Marathon, Greece. As large cattle ranches began to emerge, the newly built railroad turned the town into a main shipping point for Brewster Co ranchers and a supply point for Fort Pena Colorado. The fort, located around the Pena Colorado Springs was established in 1879, to counter Comanche and Apache raids on early settlers. Located five miles south of Marathon, Post Park offers visitors a pastoral park known to nature lovers for birding and area wildlife.

Although ranching is still an important part of the local economy, Marathon is best known to travelers as the "Gateway to the Big Bend" and is located 42 miles from the northern entrance into the 801,200 acre Big Bend National Park. Also, Marathon has earned the rare distinction of a "Class 1 Dark Sky" community which offers amateur astronomers the opportunity to gaze into mesmerizing starry skies.