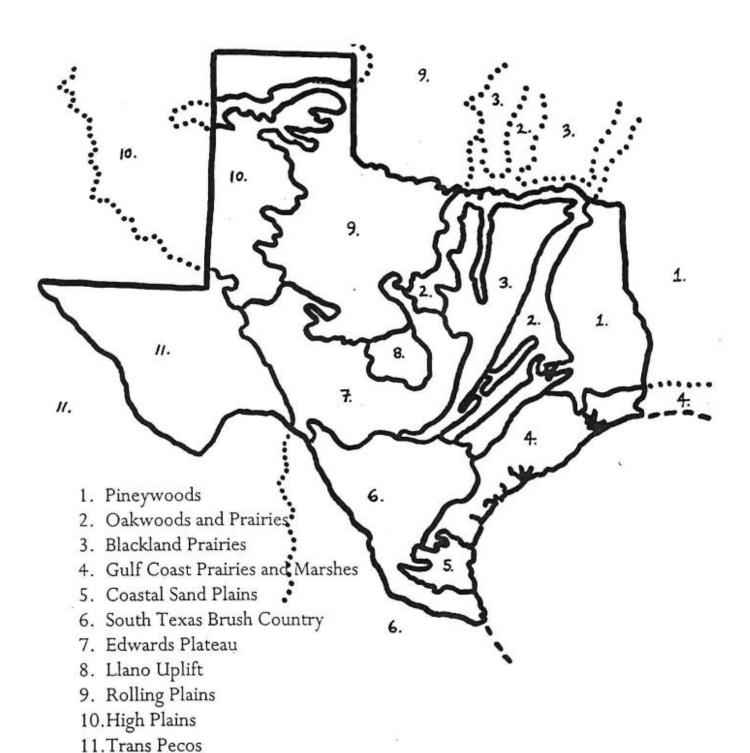
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NATURAL REGIONS OF TEXAS

Map adapted from Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept.

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- 1. Pineywoods (Dark Green): is located in far east Texas that has a rolling landscape with forests of pines, oaks, and other tall hardwood trees. Color number 1 a dark green to show the deep forests.
- 2. Oak Woods and Prairies (lime green): is a transitional area between the Great plains area of the state and the forests in the east with belts of oak forest breaking up prairie grasslands. Color number 2 a lime green to show the transition of a mixture of prairies and woods.
- 3. Blackland Prairie (Black): is known for its deep, fertile black soils that historically supported native tallgrass prairies, but now much of the land has been converted into farm fields. Color this region black to represent the soil.
- 4. Gulf Coast Prairies & Marshes (Purple): is a slow draining plain filled with marshes, bays and estuaries along the Gulf of Mexico. Color number 4 purple for the marsh like environment.
- 5. Costal Sand Plain (yellow and Brown stripes or tan): is a prairie in the southern portion of the state that does not have a river that runs through it. Color this region tan or yellow and brown stripes to show the dry prairie habitat.
- 6. South Texas Brush Country (light blue): is a plain covered with thorny shrubs and trees with a few subtropical plants along the Rio Grande river. Color number 6 light blue to represent the sub-tropical and thorny habitat.
- 7. Edwards Plateau (yellow) is a raised plateau characterized by rolling hills, spring rivers, caves, steep canyons, and grasslands with predominately Live Oaks and Ashe Junipers. It is on bordered by the Balcones Escarpment on the southern end that runs through downtown Austin, also known as the Texas Hill Country. Color number 7 yellow to represent our golden prairies and cave systems.
- 8. Llano Uplift (pink): is a small region almost surrounded by the Edwards Plateau home to some of the oldest rock in Texas, including large granite domes like Enchanted Rock. Color number 8 pink to represent the pink granite another other minerals.
- 9. Rolling Plains (orange): is where many of the Texas rivers originate along the mid and tall grass prairies of the rolling hills and broad flat areas. Color number 9 orange to represent the mid to tall prairie system.
- 10. High Plains (red): is a high plateau above the rolling planes dominated by short grass prairies that has mostly been converted into farmland. Color number 10 red to show the short grass prairie.
- 11. Trans Pecos (Brown): is found in far west Texas made up of mountain ranges and varying habitats of desert valleys to plateaus and wooded mountain slopes. Color number 11 brown to represent the mountain ranges and desert.
- 12. Marine Environment (dark Blue): is the area right off the coast of Texas in the Gulf of Mexico that has artificial reefs and other marine creature habitats. Color number 12 dark blue to represent the oceanic life.

