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# Olds Creek Vista

*5 acres, Jeff Davis County, Texas*



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*Limpia Crossing near McDonald Observatory*

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## Location

Olds Creek Vista is comprised of 5 acres with a contemporary residence and separate Library located high on a commanding hill overlooking the Davis Mountains that was built by Texas conservation legend Dick Bartlett who founded Thinking Like a Mountain Foundation on this property as a retreat for writers, artists, and conservation folks from around the country. This is nature at its finest, front and center, as this property was designed by Mr. Bartlett to enhance the creative spirit in harmony with nature which was used by artists, writers, and thinkers from around the state. It is located at the back end of Limpia Crossing development off Highway 118 on the historic Scenic Loop near McDonald Observatory high in the Davis Mountains of West Texas. This area has become home for many folks from around the state and country interested in nature, the outdoors, and the amazing dark skies. The property is a 30 minute drive to the 33,000 acre Nature Conservancy's Davis Mountain Preserve and in proximity to private ranches with conservation easements totaling 65,000 acres.

## Acreage

5 - acre lot in Jeff Davis County near McDonald Observatory.

## Description

Olds Creek Vista is located in the heart of the Davis Mountains, a Sky Island range surrounded by a sea of grassland with elevations ranging from 5,150 feet to 5,380 feet. The crown jewel of the property is the Library-Studio, Guest House, and Living Quarters with its 360 degree majestic views. The topography of the property, although very much in the mountains, is a high plateau with access to two public roads making driving to the property easy while being private at the same time. This locally designed contemporary complex captures amazing views from this elevated site and provides a state of the art place for a studio, guest house, or a world-class office. All of the buildings will come furnished with furniture and appliances handpicked to fit the custom built improvements or outdoor entertainment areas.

## Wildlife

Wildlife in the Davis Mountains is abundant. Mule deer, white-tail deer, diverse bird species and smaller animals such as javelina, fox, ring tail cat, and the unusual Montezuma quail abound in this area. Hummingbirds and migrant songbirds fly through the area on semi-annual migrations and are attracted to the extensive native plants making this a birding paradise. Native trees, brush and grasses provide excellent habitat for these native wildlife species. Surrounded by nature, one can

pursue activities like photography, astronomy, hiking, painting, or meditation by simply walking out the door. Nearby Olds Creek is a local creek that heads up on an adjoining 6,000 acre that has a conservation easement that restricting development natural wildlife corridor.

## Improvements

### Library-Studio Guest House

High on the hill across Olds Creek and accessed by its own road is the Library-Studio Guest House. This modern design captures the amazing views. The building was the home of Thinking Like a Mountain Foundation with an extensive library and studio space and a separate bedroom bath kitchen that was used for resident artists and writers. There is a very nice outdoor area between the two buildings that could be closed in to make a single larger guest home with elegant living and dining room. There is also an unfinished Observatory dome that could be finished to fit your own telescope and make for a world class night time viewing platform. The private drive up to the building is paved with a very nice circle drive up to the buildings. There are plenty of areas for expansion to make this into a more traditional home.

Other features include:

- Large custom Library with one of the greatest private collections of natural history books and articles in the state
- One Bedroom with 1 ½ baths with private patio
- Study/Living room
- Custom Kitchen with Frigidaire Gas Stove and Dishwasher
- Washer and Dryer
- Flagstone Porches
- American Standard Central Air and Heat
- Grill Zone plumed Propane Gas BBQ
- Telescope Observatory ready for new owners telescope
- Well and well house
- Water catchment system

## Water

There is a covered water well that supplies all the water needs for the compound. There is a water catchment system off the roof of the carport for landscaping uses.

## Price

**\$295,000**

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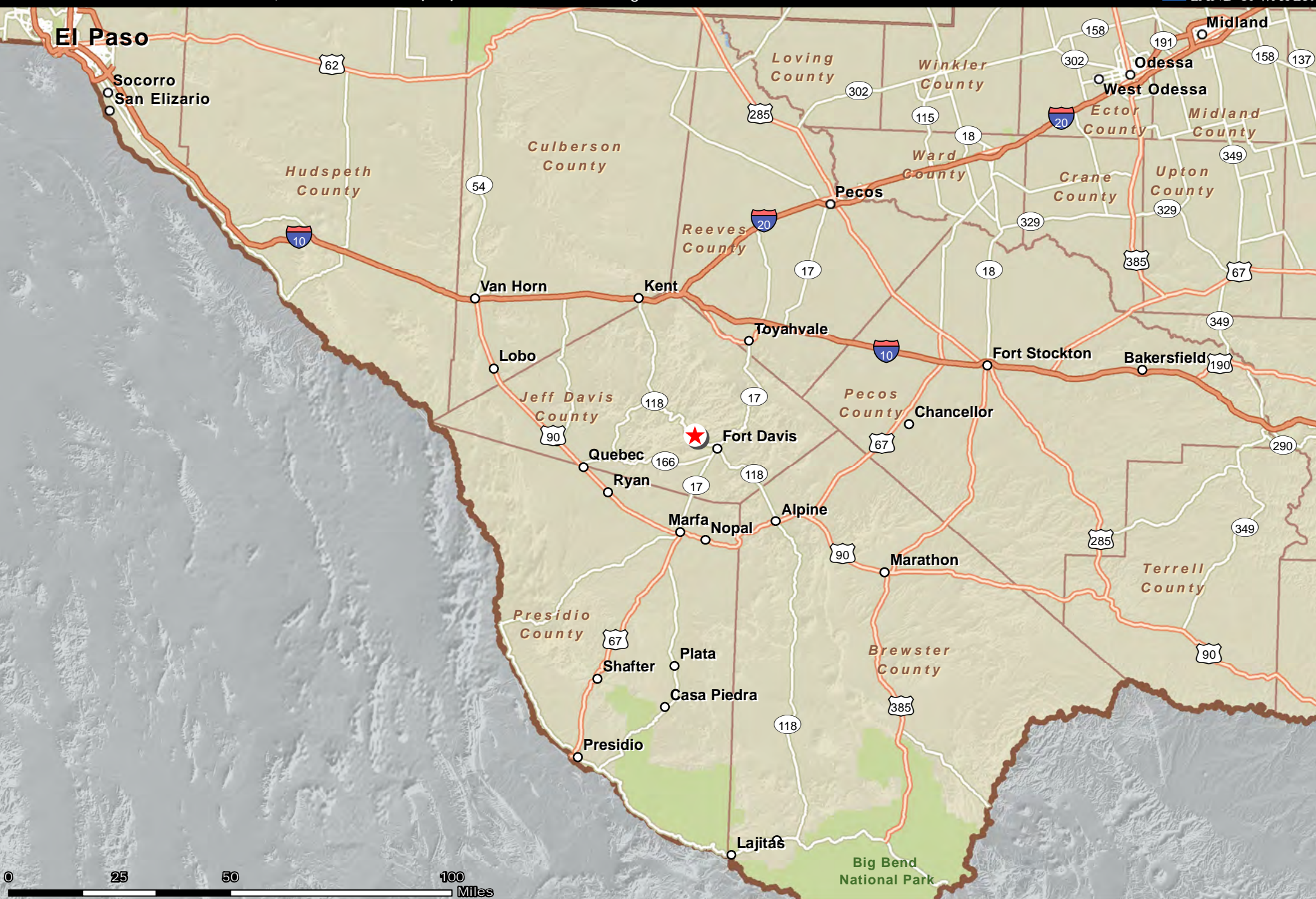
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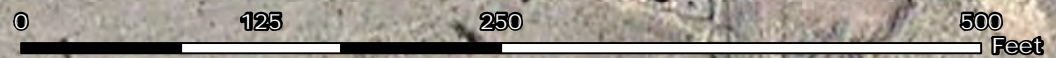
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Gate      Creek      Boundary



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