

**NATURAL BRIDGE
CAVERNS.**

TEXAS' LARGEST

underground adventure

NATURAL BRIDGE MINING COMPANY

While at **NATURAL BRIDGE CAVERNS**, be sure to check out one of our newest attractions, the Natural Bridge Mining Company. The Mining Company Sluice gives guests of all ages the opportunity to pan for gems and minerals as miners once did in their search for gold. Rather than dig for rough, Mining Company guests pour a bag of rough (sand, dirt, gems and minerals) into a screen-bottom box over a trough of flowing water. The rest is a search for sparkling quartz, sapphire, ruby, topaz, emerald, crystal and many other gems and minerals as water washes away the sand and dirt. After discovering their gems and minerals, guests can also identify their find at one of the assay stations, or by using an identification chart.

There are five different types of mining rough bags. Pay Dirt bag weighs 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. and contains 2oz. of gems and minerals. The Lucky Strike bag weighs 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. and contains 4 oz. of gems and minerals. The Mother Lode bag also weighs 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. But this bag contains 2oz. of rough emeralds and 2oz. of gems and minerals. Arrowhead and fossil bags are also available and contain actual stone arrowheads or fossils.

Pan for gems and minerals and have a fun, memorable experience at Texas' Largest Sluice, Natural Bridge Mining Company!

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