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Indian  
*Hot Springs*  
Ranch  
OF HUDSPETH COUNTY



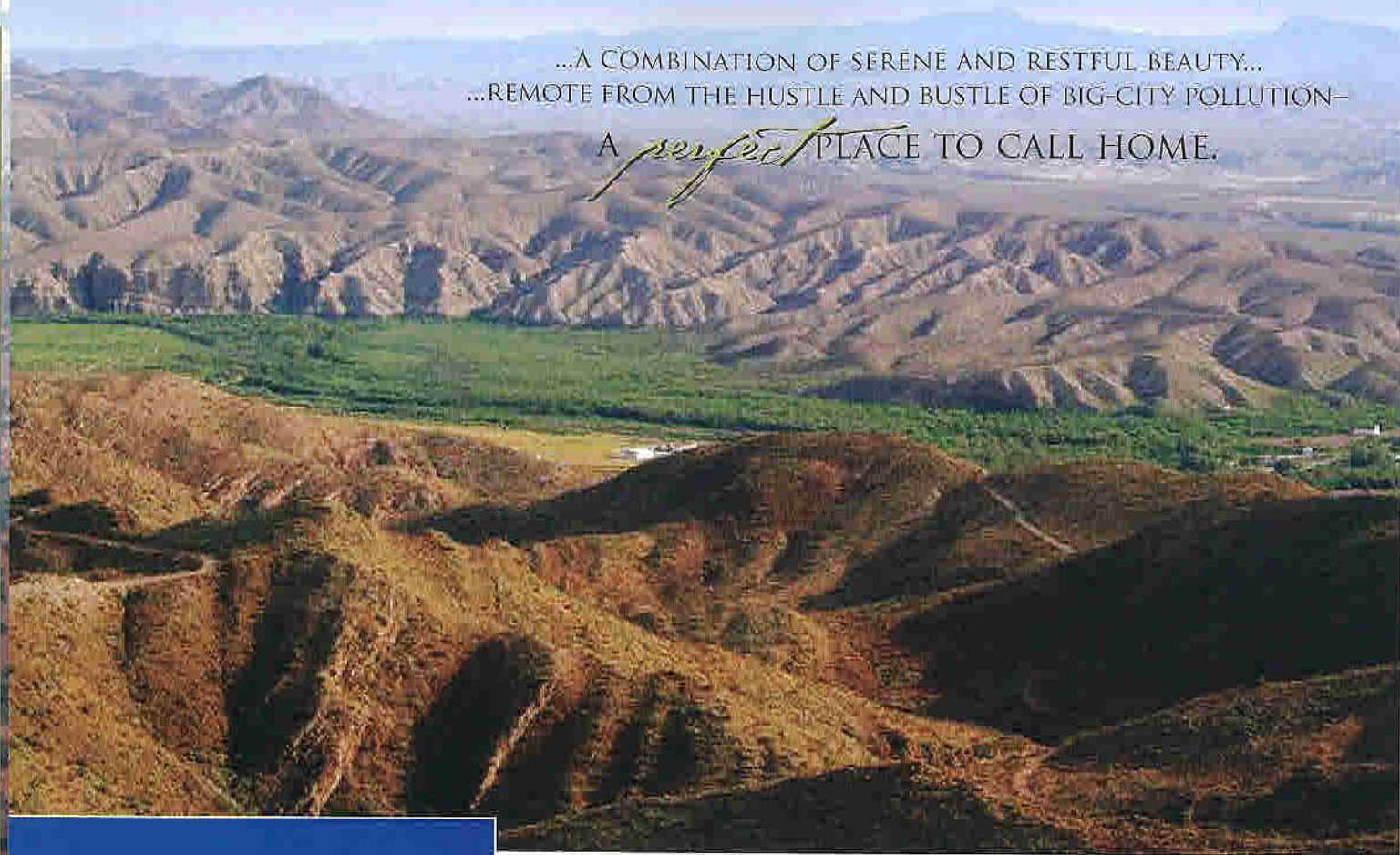
# Indian *Hot Springs* Ranch

OLD TIME *Ranch* ON THE *Rio Grande*

In Texas, many secret places long thought forgotten to the pages of history lie open and waiting for the curious, the ambitious and, often times, the adventurous. These unique venues not only invite visitors with their breathtaking landscapes and wealth of amenities, but also with elements significantly less tangible. Beyond the modern luxuries, the native Indian folktales weave a greater magic, a sense that the spirit of the land—and the window to history itself—still survives. Stories passed down through generations of historic battles and magic healing waters stir the imagination, invoke a sense of adventure and welcome all who find their way to Indian Hot Springs Ranch.

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Sited between Ft. Davis and El Paso, just a short distance from the world-famous waters of the fabulous Rio Grande, Indian Hot Springs Ranch is a ranch without equal. Nestled in a small valley formed by the Rio Grande's cut through the Quitman Mountains in Hudspeth County, the ranch is rich in history, easily accessible and almost completely surrounded by the majestic mountain range. This prime mountainside locale offers a combination of serene and restful beauty in an invigorating, smog-free valley of the Rio Grande, remote from the hustle and bustle of big-city pollution—a perfect place to call home.

From behind the Indian Hot Springs Hotel, the mountains of Mexico rise from the horizon in a stunning natural backdrop mirrored in the natural native elements showcased through the handcrafted architecture. Originally constructed in the 1920s and partially restored in recent years, the masonry hotel is within a stone's throw of the Rio Grande and once connected to the small quaint Mexican village of Ojo Caliente on the Mexican side of the river via a swinging bridge. Electricity is provided by Rio Grande Electric Coop and Dell Telephone currently serves the ranch

with fiber optic cable buried and ready to be powered. In addition to the two homes, the ranch also affords two adjacent duplex apartments and a private cantina (saloon) for guests to enjoy and relax amidst the beauty of the Rio Grande Valley.

Featuring 6,400 breathtaking acres and an elevation of over 3,000 feet, the Indian Hot Springs Ranch is more than just a place to see, but a place to experience. At the hotel spa, one will find picturesque landscapes, intriguing historical sites and naturally heated waters that flow throughout the property. When the first white explorers came to this part of the valley of the Rio Grande, they found stone troughs that were hand-dug by prehistoric people. These troughs, strategically located around the warm springs, provided both access and enjoyment of the therapeutic waters. Later, the Indians made use of the natural stone "bathtubs" for bathing in the waters and considered them to be enchanted liquids capable of miraculous healings. For centuries, Indian warriors came to recover from their battles and rest up from their forays across both sides of the border. Centuries later, many visitors over the years



have written testaments to the hot springs' soothing, calming and even healing effects while they were guests at the ranch.

Ranging between 117°F and 81°F, the eight springs that give Indian Hot Springs Ranch include: Soda Spring, a cold spring, lies on the northernmost end of the ranch; Beauty or Horse Trough Spring lies north of the hotel building near the entrance; Chief Spring, the largest spring, is pumped into the bathhouse; Squaw Spring was used by Indian women; Dynamite Spring was dynamited in the 1970s in an attempt to increase the flow; Stump Spring is used in the wading pools; Mexican Spring was used for many years by people crossing the nearby Rio Grande; and Masons or Fishing Hole Spring is the farthest east of the springs. In addition to the springs, two wells supply fresh water to the ranch along with Rio Grande water rights for two large duck ponds.

Though no minerals are available, the ranch offers a wealth of native vegetation and wildlife. The diverse foliage includes plenty of salt cedar, mesquite and cacti, along with many varieties of grasses and shrubs that provide wonderful cover for the plentiful game that call Indian

Hot Spring Ranch home. Aoudad, javelina, whitetail deer, mule deer, bobwhite quail and dove roam the ranch, and a wide variety of migratory birds use the ponds as they traverse the West Texas flyway. This well-maintained ranch has been slightly hunted and has an excellent feeding program in place.

Even with the majestic beauty of the distant mountains, the plethora of native wildlife and the prime Rio Grande locale, the area of Indian Hot Springs Ranch has long been coveted not just for its physical amenities, but the spirit of its springs. From generals who led Buffalo Soldiers across the valley to modern doctors of El Paso interested in their healing properties, the mystery of the ranch's waters has inspired many to invest in this area and discover the truth behind the legend. This unique opportunity allows you to discover the beauty—and perhaps the mystery—of Indian Hot Springs Ranch.

Offered for \$4,950,000. For more information on Indian Hot Springs Ranch, contact Howard Hood with Hood Real Estate Company at 830 896-0510 or [hhood@bizstx.rr.com](mailto:hhood@bizstx.rr.com). For additional details and photos, please visit [www.hoodranchsales.com](http://www.hoodranchsales.com).



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