Athens, Texas is "The Home of the Original Hamburger." To create the definitive tribute to Texas' hamburger culture, the Athens Visitor Initiative Program, in partnership with the Athens Central Business Association and organizers of Uncle Fletch's Burger & BBQ Cook-off, commissioned Rick Vanderpool to travel over 11,000 miles, collecting over 700 photos of places serving great burgers, recommended by a network of friends and associates, ranging from Texas tourism professionals and county judges, to county extension agents, educators and customers – all fans of great burgers.

Known for his signature Texas-themed photo-montages of everything from the state name, stars and spurs, to wildflowers and windmills, Vanderpool says his latest travel/photography project was really something he could sink his teeth into. His unique collection of 350 photos of Texas burger joints should appease the visual appetite of lovers of hamburgers everywhere.

If your favorite joint is not included here, use this print and the accompanying legend to find your *next* favorite hamburger in Texas...

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