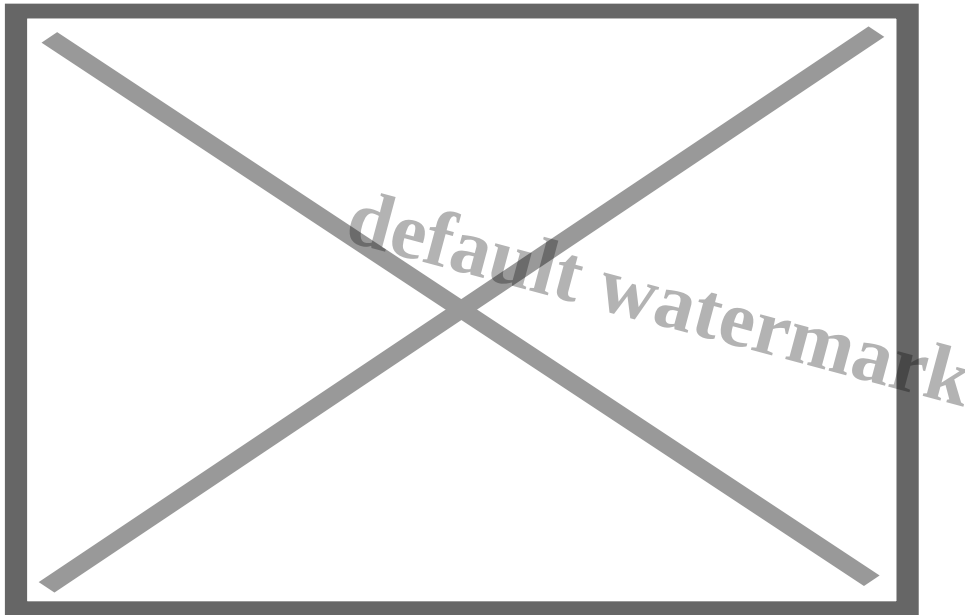


The Obligatory Texas Kid in Bluebonnet Pictures

Description

It happens every year. Texas families drag their little ones all over to take bluebonnet pictures in patch close by. We see several families stopped on the side of the highway, rain or shine, in hopes of taking a brilliant photo of their kids in our state flower.



I used to laugh at these families, actually, I still do, but now that we have Avery, we too are seeking that perfect patch of bluebonnets to set Avery in. You see, stopping along side a busy highway simply doesn't sound safe, mainly because it's not. Plus, there are many fields of bluebonnets located safely away from any busy roads that are much better. Like , for instance, some random strangers' front yard.

Yeah, so we're not perfect, but we were in Nana and Papa's (Going Mom's parents) very nice and quaint neighborhood this weekend and decided to stop for pictures in one of their neighbors' bluebonnet patches. We've never talked to or even seen these neighbors, and nothing bad happened in the process, so all is okay, right? Hey, still better than off the highway, or in the middle of a lightning storm like we've seen plenty of times in the past!

There's actually a Facebook page dedicated to [Texas Bluebonnet Sightings](#) that has plenty of places for those eager to snap photos of their families smack dab in the middle of a patch of flowers.

We didn't have the best setting on our DSLR for the lightning that day, but Avery makes any photo a trillion (because million is soooo 90's) times better. But first I had to figure out the best placement of our child!



After Kelley found a good spot, I set Avery down and let me wife go to town with the pictures. Meanwhile, Avery went to town on the bluebonnets. Psssst, Avery, thatâ€™s illegal to do to our state flower!



Canâ€™t say I didnâ€™t try to tell herâ€¦!..



Kelley took as many pics as she could with our difficult (as usual) subject, but Iâ€™d say theyâ€™re still cute.



I only had to set her down a handful of times and take one quick break to spin her around in hopes of a smile.



After that, Kelley took a few more photos and we called it a wrap.

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We had a great time at Nana and Papa's after the photoshoot, and Avery received a lot of new books by Sandra Boynton (we've come to enjoy this author), some cute clothes, and a psychedelic stuffed animal moose.

I'll share more about our time at Nana and Papa's soon, but right now I need to get some sleep. The Walking Dead is taking over our lives and keeping us up later than we need to be. But it's just so good!!

Do you have an annual picture tradition like many Texans do with their bluebonnets?

Are you a fellow Texan who participates every April?

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