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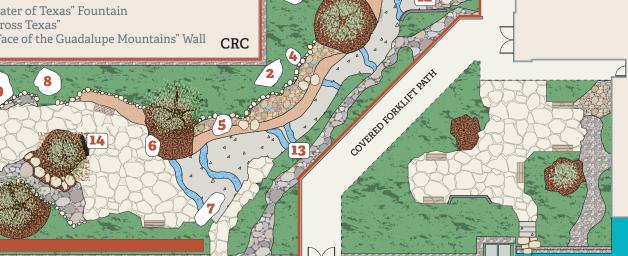
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Rock Garden Boulders Ma = millions of years ago

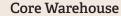
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Ellenburger Group

Age: Lower Ordovician (477 Ma)

Location: Marble Falls, Texas

Rock Type: Limestone (sedimentary)

Interesting Fact: This rock is a significant oil and gas producer in





Hickory Sandstone

Age: Cambrian (515 Ma)

Location: Voca, Texas

Rock Type: Sandstone (sedimentary)

Interesting Fact: Sand from this formation is regularly used for drilling and hydraulic fracturing.



Town Mountain Granite

Age: Precambrian (1,070 Ma)

Location: Marble Falls, Texas

Rock Type: Granite (igneous)

Interesting Fact: This granite is used in the construction of the exterior of the Texas Capitol building.



Coal Creek Serpentinite

Age: Precambrian (1,326 Ma)

Location: Willow City, Texas

Rock Type: Serpentinite

(metamorphic)

Interesting Fact: This rock gets its name from its color and texture, which resembles that of a snake.

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Edwards Limestone

Age: Cretaceous (101 Ma) **Location:** Hondo, Texas

Rock Type: Limestone (sedimentary)

Interesting Fact: The Edwards Limestone is from a famous Texas aquifer that also produces hydrocarbons in the deep subsurface.



Red Bluff Granite

Age: Precambrian (1,120 Ma)
Location: El Paso, Texas
Rock Type: Granite (igneous)

Interesting Fact: This granite formed deep in the crust along a 1-billion-year-old subduction zone.



Columnar Basalt

Age: Cretaceous (87 Ma) **Location:** Knippa, Texas

Rock Type: Basalt (igneous)

Interesting Fact: This is a mantlederived igneous rock with unique cooling joints.



Sierra Blanca Rhyolite

Age: Eocene (36 Ma)

Location: Sierra Blanca, Texas **Rock Type:** Rhyolite (igneous)

Interesting Fact: This boulder formed during a time when volcano flows and calderas developed in

West Texas.



Carrizo Sandstone

Age: Eocene (52 Ma)

Location: Poteet, Texas

Rock Type: Sandstone (sedimentary)

Interesting Fact: This sedimentary rock is formed from material that was originally part of the Rocky Mountains and eroded away.



"Groundwater of Texas" Fountain

Interesting Fact: This fountain represents the nine major aquifers of Texas and is made from 1.3-billion-year-old marble (metamorphic).



Early Permian Reef

Age: Wolfcampian (280 Ma)

Location: El Paso, Texas

Rock Type: Limestone (sedimentary)

Interesting Fact: This rock comes from a fossilized reef that formed at the beginning of the world-famous Permian Basin.



"Rivers Across Texas"

Interesting Fact: Texas has 14 major rivers and streams with a combined length of 80,000 miles.



Brecciated Limestone

Age: Ordovician (460 Ma)

Location: El Paso, Texas

Rock Type: Limestone (sedimentary)

Interesting Fact: This rock formed along a fault zone where earthquakes were common.



"Western Face of the Guadalupe Mountains" Wall

Interesting Fact: This wall highlights Texas' highest mountain, which rises 8.751 ft above sea level.