

Day 1 - Welcome to New Orleans

Arrive in the Crescent City and kick off your adventure with a festive welcome dinner featuring classic Creole and Cajun flavors. Pass through the Charm Gates and make a wish in the Devil's Wishing Well—your Southern journey has begun!

<u>Day 2 – Garden District, French Quarter & Paddlewheel Cruise</u> Discover the stately homes of New Orleans' Garden District, then explore the vibrant French Quarter – its history, music, and charm are unmatched. End the day aboard the majestic Creole Queen for a scenic Dinner Cruise on the Mississippi River.

Day 3 - Mardi Gras Magic & Jazz Traditions

Go behind the scenes at Mardi Gras World to see how the city's iconic floats come to life. Visit the powerful National WWII Museum, then enjoy an evening of traditional New Orleans jazz at the legendary Preservation Hall.

Day 4 - Swamps, Plantations & Cajun Flavors

Cruise the Louisiana bayous on a thrilling swamp tour, then savor lunch and tour the beautiful Oak Alley Plantation. Enjoy a lively Cajun cooking demonstration, Zydeco music, and authentic Southern fun!

Day 5 - Houmas House & Bayou Traditions

Step back in time at Houmas House Plantation and Gardens before heading "Down the Bayou" to explore shrimping and alligator farming. Enjoy hands-on learning, a seafood boil dinner, and toe-tapping music.

Day 6 - Historic Natchez on the Mississippi

Travel to charming Natchez and explore its grand antebellum homes, including the stunning Longwood mansion. Enjoy a classic Southern lunch & dine in elegance at an antebellum mansion-turned-restaurant.

Day 7 - Delta Music & Frogmore Plantation

Learn the roots of the blues at the Delta Music Museum, then explore Frogmore Plantation for an unforgettable look at history, gospel, and Delta culture—complete with a live musical performance & luncheon.

Day 8 - Blues Legends & Live Music

Visit the B.B. King Museum and the Delta Blues Museum to trace the footsteps of America's music pioneers. Enjoy lunch and dinner at local blues clubs, where live Juke Joint rhythms bring the Delta to life.

Day 9 - Grammy Museum & Oxford's Literary Legacy

Stroll through Cleveland's charming Main Street, visit the Grammy Museum, and stop at Dockery Farms—the birthplace of the Delta blues. Tour William Faulkner's Rowan Oak and explore Ole Miss's Blues Archives for a deep dive into music history.

Day 10 - Farewell Breakfast

Enjoy one last taste of Southern hospitality over breakfast before bidding farewell to the rhythms, flavors, and stories of the South.

Follow the music, flavor, and spirit of the Deep South on a journey from New Orleans to Mississippi!

From jazz halls and Cajun kitchens to grand antebellum homes and Delta blues clubs, experience the heart and soul of America through its rhythm, history, and hospitality.

Highlights

- The Garden District in New Orleans
- The French Quarter
- Paddlewheeler Creole Queen
- Mardi Gras World
- New Orleans Swamp Tour
- Oak Alley Plantation Restaurant
- Houmas House and Gardens
- Down the Bayou Shrimp Tour
- Natchez Antebellum District
- Delta Music Museum
- Frogmore Plantation
- B.B. King Museum
- Blues Club
- Mainstreet
- Grammy Museum
- Blues Archives

Inclusions

- 9 Nights' Accommodations
- 9 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 5 Dinners
- Admissions and Guide Services
- Taxes & Hotel Fees

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