

Great Day! Scheduled Tour Summary

A “SOUTHERN TEASER” TOUR

SUN-SUN, OCT 7 - 14, 2018

Departure locations, if applicable, include Willoughby, Beachwood, Independence, No. Olmsted, Middleburg Hts, Medina, Mansfield, Columbus, Grove City, Washington CH.

Each year our staff assembles a new Southern Tour for new travel experiences. This tour has again been set up as fall approaches and the colors a little brighter as we visit:

- Biloxi was the first permanent settlement in French Louisiana and is now known for its casinos, the lighthouse that stands next to the beach on the Mississippi Sound, its boatbuilding history and seafood-processing. The Beauvoir Estate and Jefferson Davis Presidential Library explore the life of the Confederate leader.
- Memphis, named after the ancient capital of Egypt on the Nile River, is home to the Memphis Pyramid; it was built in 1990 as a 20,000-seat arena, but carries on the tradition of the city's namesake. Of course, Graceland remains one of the top draws for the city.
- New Orleans, originally named La Nouvelle-Orléans when it was founded in 1718 by the French Mississippi Company.
- Tunica, known for its gaming.
- Vicksburg, the site of the Civil War Battle.
- Birmingham is a city founded during the post-Civil War period, in an area with rich mineral deposits that made it an ideal location for iron smelting.
- Bowling Green, history has it that, “in 1775, a ragtag band of explorers called ‘long hunters’ reached the banks of a meandering river, where they carved their names on beech trees to mark their passage through this vast wilderness.”



During these eight days we will be visiting each of these cities as well as being guests at Elvis Presley's Graceland and dining at a Victorian Tennessee Mansion that dates back to the late 1800's where entertainment awaits us. You'll be seeing much of New Orleans' history, cruising on a shrimping boat with a “shrimp boil dinner” afterwards. We've included admissions to Beauvoir and the Presidential Library as well as visiting the Confederate Cemetery during our narrated tour of this Mississippi region.

In Vicksburg we will be making a midday stop at the Vicksburg National Park Visitors Center, learning why both President Davis and President Lincoln fought so hard for a city considered

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All tour details are anticipated at the time that the Scheduled Tour Brochure was prepared and specific stops and/or other inclusions are subject to change or elimination without notice. This tour typically departs between 7:30 AM and 8:30 AM with the exact time shown on the itinerary you will receive approximately one to two weeks prior to the tour departure. Tour typically returns about 7 and 8 PM, although this may vary.

so vital to both sides. We've also set aside, for those interested, time for a bit of gaming in Tunica, where we will be staying at the Horseshoe Casino Hotel, and at our hotel in Biloxi, the Beau Rivage!

We've already upgraded the originally-planned 14 meals to include several more, some with cocktails, as we discuss everything that we've experienced this day. Our luncheon in Downtown Memphis will be at the popular BB King's Beale Street . . . it's considered the "Home of the Blues and the Birthplace of Rock & Roll".

Since New Orleans is known for so much, including its great dining, we'll be dining here on the delicious food that brings so many people here each year. One of our meals will be the Jazz Brunch on Royal Street at The Court of Two Sisters. Since at least 1726, the property where the Court of Two Sisters restaurant is now located has been a significant cultural presence in New Orleans with residents that included the second French royal governor of colonial Louisiana, five governors, two State Supreme Court Justices and one future Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. Zachary Taylor, who later became the twelfth president of the U.S., also resided for a time at 621 Royal.



During our tour of New Orleans, the guide will be taking us through three centuries of history, legends and romance. We'll be absorbing the sights & sounds of the world-famous French Quarter and historic Jackson Square, the home of the Cabildo and the Presbytere Museums. We'll be seeing one of the historic cemeteries, referred to as "Cities of the Dead" and learn about this unique above-ground burial system. Passengers generally come away with a new understanding of the voodoo and piracy on Bayou St. John, the waterway used by Jean Lafitte and his band of pirates. We will also be following the path of the St. Charles Avenue streetcar, the oldest continuously-operating passenger railway system.

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We've also expanded this tour to include The National World War II Museum (formerly known as the D-Day Museum). It has been ranked by TripAdvisor as the #1 Attraction in New Orleans and named by USA Today as the #1 Best Place to Learn U.S. Military History. Congress has designated this as America's "official museum about World War II" due to its rich collection of artifacts that bring history to life.

But . . . there is much more - - You might call this tour "from Corvettes to Café au Lait". We love these Southern destinations and want to "tease you" with a number of the fascinating places and friendly faces we will be seeing.



We will be making the most of our time and, in Biloxi, we've planned a visit to Beauvoir, the home of Jefferson Davis, the Confederate Cemetery, a Shrimping Trip and, for a unique experience, a "shrimp boil" to go along with our boat excursion. We certainly want to "tease you" with many of the highlights of the South in this new package. Even if you've been on our annual previous Southern Tours, this one offers opportunities to see many new places.



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Enroute home we will be stopping for a final “Southern” meal, but this one is reminiscent of southern Germany . . . at the Newport Hofbrauhaus. If you enjoy dining out, you should enjoy the places we will be visiting . . . including this Sunday midday dinner!

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\$1834 per person in a double

\$1799 per person in a triple

\$1764 per person in a quad

\$2354 per person in a single



Save money on this 2018 Southern Tour with all of its new stops. Please note that above prices replace the incorrect prices previously announced and are approximately \$110 less than those for the 2017 Southern Tour Itinerary.

Deposit to book, \$100 per person; we accept credit cards and checks.

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