





The American South: New Orleans to Memphis following the 2022 DKG International Convention

6 days

Begins on July 17, 2022 with pickup at 11:00 am at the Sheraton New Orleans Hotel 500 Canal St.

New Orleans, LA 70130

Departing Friday July 22, 2022 from Memphis, TN.

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Pricing Information:

\$2,755 per person (double occupancy/land only)

*Trip protection - Up to \$449; Basic Trip Protection - Up to \$349 \$3,430 per person (single occupancy/land only)

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Please note: Prices may be increasing July 31st, 2021

Your tour package includes

5 nights in handpicked hotels 5 breakfasts 3 dinners with beer or wine Expert Tour Director & local guides Private deluxe motor coach

Included highlights

the French Quarter Antebellum Natchez Vicksburg National Military Park Steamboat River Cruise in Memphis Louisiana Bayou Tour in New Orleans

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for about 1.5 hours daily across mostly flat terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with some stairs.

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New Orleans, Louisiana → 2 nights

Day 1: Arrival in New Orleans

Included meals: welcome dinner
Welcome to Louisiana! Continue your stay in
New Orleans and transfer to your new hotel.
If hotel check in isn't available, drop your
luggage and enjoy free time in the French
Quarter before dinner. Tonight, head to a
local restaurant in the Garden District for a
welcome dinner. You'll enjoy traditional
French Creole cuisine including fried green
tomatoes, crawfish cornbread, shrimp and
grits, and blackened fish napoleon.

Day 2: Sightseeing tour of New Orleans & Bayou Boat Tour

Included meals: breakfast
Experience the unique history and vibrant
Creole culture of New Orleans on a guided
tour.

- Pass historic mansions and stately homes in the Garden District and stop at Saint Louis Cemetery
- Stop at Jackson Square in the heart of the city to view the St. Louis Cathedral
- Pass the Presbytère and 1850 House, two of the Louisiana State Museums
- Walk through the French Quarter
- End your tour at Café du Monde, where you can sample a famous beignet

This afternoon, depart from bustling New Orleans and make your way to one of the state's most storied areas: the Louisiana Bayou.

 Step aboard an airboat and zip across the iconic swamp, keeping your eyes open for alligators, snakes, herons, and more as you go.

Please note: Airboats are high-speed, open boats without a top. For safety reasons, pregnant women, children under 5 years old, and individuals with neck or back problems are not permitted to ride on airboats.

Natchez, Mississippi → 1 night

Day 3: Natchez via Baton Rouge

Included meals: breakfast, dinner
This morning travel to Baton Rouge,
Louisiana's capital city.

 Enter the LSU Rural Life Museum, where a guide introduces you to life as it was in the lower Mississippi River Valley during the 18th and 19th centuries Pass the Old State Capitol, the Louisiana State Capitol building, and the Old Governor's Mansion on the way out of town

Continue on to Natchez, Mississippi, which is often voted one of the most beautiful cities in America. Explore downtown with your Tour Director in the lead.

- Explore the exquisitely preserved antebellum buildings
- Enter Melrose, a historic mansion Head to Glenfield Plantation this evening. You'll take a short tour of the home before meeting the hosts and hostesses, who are dressed in antebellum period clothing, and enjoy an included dinner.

Memphis, Tennessee \rightarrow 2 nights

Day 4: Memphis via Vicksburg *Included meals: breakfast*

Transfer to Memphis today, stopping for a guided tour of Vicksburg en route.

- Pass by the Old Court House Museum and U.S.S. Cairo
- Visit the Vicksburg National Military Park, site of the Battle of Vicksburg, a turning point during the Civil War
- See the Shirley House and the Vicksburg National Monument

Day 5: Sightseeing tour of Memphis & Steamboat Cruise

Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner Join your Tour Director and get to know Memphis, a city known for its rich cultural and musical heritage, from the blues to rock 'n' roll.

- Drive past the Mississippi River
- Pass Sun Studio, the Orpheum Theatre, and Elmwood Cemetery
- Stop at the Peabody Hotel and Beale Street This afternoon, enjoy a 90-minute riverboat tour down the Mighty Mississippi.
- Listen to live historical commentary for a comprehensive and interesting narrative of past and present Mississippi River life.
 - + Graceland & Sun Studio

Tonight, celebrate your trip at a local restaurant for a Farewell Dinner.

Flight Home

Day 6: Departure

Transfer to Memphis International Airport for your flight home. If you need to return to New Orleans following the tour, you will need to independently secure your own return transportation to New Orleans. You can independently purchase either airfare or Amtrak options.

Insurance information:

- Trip Protection insurance overview sheet gives a high-level description of the differences between the Trip Protection and Basic Trip Protection packages. It also names the Any Reason Protection bonus coverage which allows travelers to avoid losing any money due to cancelation fees and instead gives them a future travel voucher for the amount of those fees. The Any Reason Protection is a great option for someone who may decide they need to cancel after the risk-free period has passed but does not technically have an insurance covered reason.
- Trip Protection Benefits Guide outlines the specific policy coverage for this package including covered cancelation reasons such as sickness or injury of self, family member or travel companion, loss of job and more. This coverage is also super handy for unexpected on-tour expenses such up to \$50,000 in medical attention or replacing luggage due to damage loss or theft.
- Basic Trip Protection Benefits Guide outlines this policy very similarly to the more comprehensive Trip Protection package. A primary difference is the amount of medical coverage as this covers up to \$25,000 in medical expenses.

In the event of a tour postponement, deposit is non-refundable. If you purchase the Any Reason Protection Plan, your deposit would be credited in the form of a Future Travel Voucher.

In the event of a natural disaster, a voucher would be provided for a future trip.

You can find more information regarding the insurance policies at www.dkg.org under Go Ahead Events

Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: goaheadtours.com/ZNA | 800-438-7672

Day 5: Graceland & Sun Studio

\$75 (3 hours, departs in the afternoon)

Explore the home and recording studio of the American musical legend Elvis Presley. Enter the Graceland Mansion, where you'll get a look at the King of Rock and Roll's home life and hear stories via an iPad during an interactive tour. You can also visit the Automobile Museum to see some of his favorite cars and motorcycles and stroll through a photography exhibit. Then, tour the nearby Sun Studio, a U.S. National Historic Landmark, where Elvis recorded hits including "That's All Right." Please note: There is a moderate amount of walking on paved, level surfaces during this excursion. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.