



## **Rhythms Of The South - 8 Days (#18561)**

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### **Overview**

Shake, rattle and roll your way through the big hearted, musically influenced southern cities of America. Music is interwoven into the heart of each city and helps tell a bigger story of its past and present. From New Orleans' jazz and Nashville's country, to Memphis' blues and Atlanta's rap, you're sure to enjoy the music and musicians who have defined these legendary cities.

### **Trip Highlights**

New Orleans-Baton Rouge-Natchez-Mississippi River Valley-Memphis-Nashville-Chattanooga-Atlanta

### **Detailed Itinerary**

**Day 01**

**Day 01: New Orleans - Arrival**



Welcome to New Orleans, Louisiana's most important port city. People from all over the world have been arriving in New Orleans since the Sieur de Bienville laid out the city's streets in 1718. The city today is a unique blend of Spanish, French, Caribbean, African and Anglo-Saxon influences. This is obvious in the food, architecture, and of course, the music. Your Tour Director will be available to you in the evening to plan your stay in this charming and bustling city.

**Day 02**

**Day 02: New Orleans**

The day is yours to immerse yourself in the charm and excitement of one of America's most unique cities and for you to take in the French flavour & grandeur of New Orleans. May we suggest starting the day with a visit to a working plantation (optional). Explore the French Quarter with its trademark wrought iron balconies overlooking the narrow cobblestone streets.

**Day 03**

**Day 3: New Orleans - Baton Rouge - Natchez**

This morning, we will travel to the capitol of Louisiana, Baton Rouge, and conduct a brief city tour. From there, we will travel via the historic Natchez Trace Parkway to Natchez. The parkway is a 444- mile drive through exceptional scenery and years of Native American and European history. Natchez is the oldest European settlement on the Mississippi River. Before the Civil War, wealthy plantation owners from Louisiana built magnificent antebellum homes here because the area was considered safer from flooding. This afternoon, we will visit one of the homes and learn about the wealth of these 19th century millionaires.

**Day 04**

**Day 04: Natchez - Mississippi River Valley - Memphis**

Leave Natchez and drive on to Memphis, home of 'Sun Records'. As a large river port, it was one of the most important links in the cotton trade before the Civil War. Memphis is also known as the "home of the blues." A brief city tour will take you to the city's liveliest street, Beale Street, where the blues and other types of music are played nightly in almost a dozen clubs. Travel along historic Front Street, known as Cotton Row in the days when cotton traders and merchants conducted business here. Of course, no visit to Memphis would be complete without a visit to Graceland, the home of Elvis Presley (optional).



**Day 05**

**Day 05: Memphis - Nashville**

Continue on to Nashville, known as the capital of country music. The city earned its title with the very first airing of the WSM Barn Dance radio program, the forerunner of the Grand Ole Opry. The newly renovated Ryman Auditorium in downtown Nashville, once home of the Grand Ole Opry, the studios near Music Row, and Opryland itself attest to Nashville's reputation as the most important city in country music.

**Day 06**

**Day 06: Nashville**

Begin your day in this dynamic and thriving cultural and state capital of Tennessee with a morning city tour. While exploring the city's landmarks, perhaps you'll discover a new country music classic before they even hit the charts while visiting one of the many recording studios around town. Perhaps enjoy dinner and a show in the evening as a optional excursion.

**Day 07**

**Day 07: Nashville - Chattanooga - Atlanta**

Leaving Music City, we head to Chattanooga, home to the famous Choo Choo and which has received national recognition for the renaissance of its beautiful downtown and redevelopment of its riverfront. In the afternoon, our trails lead us back to Atlanta where you may want to check our one of the sites you were not able to experience at the start of the tour like the Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca Cola, and CNN Centre.

**Day 08**

**Day 08: Atlanta Departure**

Morning at your leisure before departure. Your Tour Director will be available to assist you in arranging individual transfers to Atlanta International Airport or with sightseeing recommendation for the day should you want to enjoy this great city further. We hope you have had a memorable journey and look forward to you the opportunity to host your next visit to America.



**Day 09**

**Day 09: New Orleans - Departure**

Your Tour Director will be available to assist you in arranging individual transfers to New Orleans International Airport. We hope you have had a memorable journey through America's Deep South!

## Inclusions

- + 2 complimentary breakfast\*
- + See New Orleans, home to jazz and beignets.
- + See and visit a lavish Antebellum-styled Mansion in Natchez.
- + Sightseeing of Memphis: including the Lorraine Hotel, MLK assassination site, and Beale Street, home of the Blues.
- + Tour Nashville and go Honky Tonkin'
- + See the renown Chattanooga Choo Choo.

## Exclusions

- International airfares
- Optional activities
- Meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program.
- Travel insurance
- Gratuities
- Voluntary tips for guides or drivers
- Travel and medical insurance
- Any items not mentioned as included

## Note

- Hotels Used or Similar
- New Orleans - Hilton New Orleans Riverside
- Natchez - Hampton Inn & Suites Natchez\*
- Memphis - Crowne Plaza Memphis Downtown
- Nashville - The Inn at Opryland, A Gaylord Hotel
- Atlanta - Doubletree by Hilton Atlanta Airport\*



\*Complimentary breakfast offered by a hotel may be discontinued at any time with or without notice.

**Please note that the prices are starting from and that upon sending a new request with specific date we will send the applicable rate and availability.**

ALL DEPARTURE DATES ARE GUARANTEED TO OPERATE.

EXPERIENCE MORE (OPTIONALS)

- + Traditional Steamboat Jazz Cruise on the Mississippi River.
- + Swamp tour in New Orleans.
- + Explore Elvis Presley's magnificent Estate: Graceland.
- + Tour Nashville's Country Hall of Fame and Studio B.

## Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

## Fixed Departure

**13 Sep, 2024**

Hotel

AUD 2,598 P P twin share

AUD 3,498 P P single

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**27 Sep, 2024**

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