



## OUR FAVORITE TOURS IN NEW ORLEANS

**\*Call 888-481-8188 or text 504-595-9601 for reservations. All tours require advance reservations. You should book at least a day in advance. Other tour times may be available. Call for details.**

- 1. Airboat Swamp Tour** - See some alligators on this half-thrill ride, half-eco tour, with fearless Cajun captains leading the way. Airboats get you deeper in the bayou than any other kind of boat. Pontoon and other types of boats also available. Optional hotel pickup. Prices vary based on type of boat and transportation needs. Airboats: \$55 to \$95. Pontoons: \$24 to \$52. Book as far in advance as possible. This tour sells out fast. Tours daily.
- 2. Ghost and Vampire Tour** - Named by TripAdvisor one of the top ten ghost tours in the world! You'll hear tales of famous French Quarter murders and fires that led to ghost stories and restless spirits. History mixed with the supernatural. Starts and stops at a bar (but kids are allowed). \$20. 6 pm, 8 pm.
- 3. City/Katrina Tour** - A great way to get off Bourbon Street and see the real city: covers the French Quarter, the Garden District, City Park, St. Louis Cemetery No. 3, the Lower Ninth Ward (where the levy broke during Hurricane Katrina) and more. Includes hotel pickup. \$45 to \$49. 8:30 am, 9:30 am, 12:30 pm, 1:30 pm, 3:30 pm.
- 4. Oak Alley and Laura Plantation Tour** - Oak Alley is perhaps the most beautiful plantation in Louisiana, famous for its 300 year old alley of Oak Trees. Laura was a Creole plantation that was run by three generations of women; the tour goes through the big house and original slave quarters. Hotel pickup is included. This tour will take at least six hours. \$90. 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12 pm. Individual tours are also available.
- 5. Swamp and Plantation Combo Tour:** Do a swamp and a plantation all in one day at a great price. Swamp tour on pontoon boat; choice of Laura or Oak Alley plantations. Hotel pickup included. \$90. 10:30 am.
- 6. St. Louis Cemetery No. 1 Tour:** The oldest cemetery in New Orleans features voodoo queen Marie Laveau's grave, plus the above ground tombs of 100,000 others. Beautiful and historic. \$16 to \$25. 11 am, 1 pm.
- 7. Riverboat Cruises:** A lovely ride up and down the Mississippi river on a paddlewheeler. We have lunch and dinner cruises available. Most cruises include a jazz band and optional food. \$22 to \$77, 11 am, 1 pm, 2 pm, 6 pm, 7 pm.
- 8. Garden District Walking Tour:** Perhaps the most beautiful neighborhood in New Orleans, the Garden District is known for its opulent homes and lush gardens. \$25, 10 am, 12:30 pm, 2 pm.
- 9. New Orleans Bicycle Tour:** Go beyond the French Quarter on this 3.5 hour bike tour. See Treme, Saint Louis Cemetery No. 3, Louis Armstrong Park, Faubourg Marigny, and the Avenue of the Creoles. Tour includes bike, helmet and bottled water. Adults: \$45. Children \$35. 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.
- 10. Psychic Reading:** Have your fortune told by a genuine professional psychic at Hex, a world renowned witchcraft and voodoo shop. 15 minute reading: \$35, \$30 minute reading: \$65. Must be at least 18 years old.

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# TOP PLACES TO VISIT ON YOUR OWN

1. **Jackson Square:** Go here to see musicians, artists, fortune tellers, shops, restaurants, a beautiful park, St. Louis Cathedral, and historic state buildings including the Cabildo, site of the Louisiana Purchase.
2. **Cafe Du Monde:** The most famous place to grab a cafe au lait and a beignet. 800 Decatur Street
3. **French Market:** An outdoor market with food vendors, souvenirs and more. 1235 N. Peter Street
4. **Frenchman Street:** Slow in the day, but it comes alive at night as a hotbed of great music, cool clubs, an art market and hip eats. Less sketchy than Bourbon Street and with more locals.
5. **Preservation Hall:** Home to the world famous Preservation Hall Jazz Band. A good idea to try to get tickets in advance at their box office on St. Peter Street. Shows nightly. 726 St. Peter Street
6. **World War II Museum:** Don't miss the powerful Tom Hanks 4D movie about the war. 945 Magazine St.
7. **City Park:** One of the largest parks in the country. Featuring an art museum, a small amusement park, a cafe, a sculpture garden, plus bike and boat rentals. Try climbing a live oak tree. 1 Palm Drive.

## AWESOME BARS

1. **Lafitte's Blacksmith Shop:** The oldest bar in the country, Lafitte's is candlelit with an old world ambiance. Often features a live piano singalong. 941 Bourbon Street.
2. **Carousel Bar:** Beautiful (slowly) spinning bar inside the Monteleone hotel. 214 Royal Street.
3. **Sazerac Bar:** Art deco designs and expertly crafted cocktails inside the Roosevelt. 130 Roosevelt Way.
4. **Pat O'Brien's:** Originator of the potent rum punch cocktail known as the hurricane. 718 St. Peters St.
5. **Erin Rose:** A divey Irish pub with a great jukebox and acclaimed po-boys in the back. 811 Conti Street.
6. **Chris Owens:** Chris Owens is a singer, dancer and NOLA legend. She hosts a variety show Fridays and Saturdays at 9 p.m. Her club also has blues Thurs.-Sun nights. 500 Bourbon Street.
7. **Cafe Lafitte in Exile:** One of the most historic gay bars in the country. 901 Bourbon Street.
8. **Blue Nile:** A great spot for jazz on Frenchman Street. Big names play here. 532 Frenchman Street.

## GREAT RESTAURANTS

1. **Oceana:** Casual Cajun spot with decent food and great prices. Try the blackened catfish po-boy. 739 Conti Street. Come back and see us at Gators and Ghosts for an Oceana coupon.
2. **Brennan's:** Elegant brunch spot. Dress nice and make reservations. 417 Royal Street.
3. **Port of Call:** Best burgers in the city. Not much else on the menu but booze. 838 Esplanade Blvd.
4. **Daisy Duke's:** A fine breakfast spot. Bacon, eggs, Bloody Marys. Dinner too. 121 Chartres Street.
5. **Bacchanal:** Hip restaurant with an extensive wine selection in the Bywater neighborhood. Great jazz and a nice outdoor seating area under a canopy of trees. Take a cab or rent a bike. 600 Poland Ave.
6. **Court of Two Sisters:** A creole restaurant with daily jazz brunches and dinner. 613 Royal Street.
7. **Cochon:** A hip, modern take on Cajun food from Chef Donald Link . Must love pork. 930 Tchoupitoulas.
8. **Acme Oyster House:** Famous for long lines and raw oysters. Try it once but also try Felix, the Oyster spot across the street. 724 Iberville Street.
9. **Gumbo Shop:** Delicious gumbo, creole food and optional courtyard dining. 630 St. Peter Street.

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