

MAKE THE MOST OF

Your Visit to Beaufort, SC

Our curated guide can help you plan the perfect day in our charming Lowcountry town—from a quick afternoon stroll to an afternoon full of adventure. Everything on this list is a **must-do** for those looking for an authentic Beaufort experience!

WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE

ONE HOUR

- Tour the Beaufort History Museum
- · Visit the Verdier House
- Pop into an art gallery featuring local artists
- · Look for treasures in unique shops downtown
- Grab a quick lunch, coffee or sweet tea float on Bay Street
- Walk to the Chocolate Tree for a treat
- Take a stroll through the Point to see beautiful Antebellum homes and gardens
- Relax on a swing in the Waterfront Park







WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE

TWO HOURS

- . Take a carriage ride with Southern Rose or Sea Island Carriages (both start at the Marina)
- · Visit the Pat Conroy Literary Center
- Explore the Santa Elena History Center
- · Have lunch in one of our downtown or waterfront restaurants
- Take a guided walking tour or a van tour through the Historic Point from Spirit of Old Beaufort, Janet's Walking Tours or Beaufort Tours, LLC (all start at the Marina)
- Tour the Saint Helena Parrish Church and Historic Cemetery

WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE

A HALF DAY

- Take a Gullah Heritage Van Tour from Spirit of Old Beaufort
- Hop onto the Pat Conroy or Movie Van Tour from Beaufort Tours, LLC
- Have fun at the Kazoobie Kazoo Factory and Museum
- Visit the Penn Center and Reconstruction sites on Saint Helena Island
- · Explore a pristine beach at Hunting Island State Park, and climb the Historic Lighthouse
- Cruise the river on Captain Dick's River Tour (starts at the Marina)
- . Learn about military history at Parris Island and the Parris Island Museum
- Visit the Port Royal Foundation Maritime Center
- . Take an adventure to the Old Sheldon Church Ruins in Yemassee



Annual Events & Festivals in Beaufort,

For a truly immersive experience, few things capture the very essence of Beaufort, SC and Lowcountry culture like our annual festivals and events. From the fireworks, foot-stomping live music and oyster roasts of the Water Festival, to the rich heritage and vibrant performances of the Gullah Festival, to the glimmering lights over the harbor that draw thousands to our annual Holiday celebrations, your family is sure to find endless excitement year-round in Beaufort—and plenty to look forward to when planning your next visit.

HAPPENING



First Fridays are celebrated every month downtown with music, art demos, food and great sales.

LATE WINTER & SPRING

February

Beaufort International Film Festival

Port Royal Bands, Brews & BBQ

April

MCAS Air Show

Port Royal Soft Shell Crab Festival

May

Taste of Beaufort

Gullah Heritage Festival

SUMMER & FALL

July

Beaufort Waterfront Festival

4th – Parris Island and Port Royal Sands Beach: All-day Festivals and Fireworks

October

Beaufort ShrimpFest
Port Royal OktoberFest
Pat Conroy Literary Festival
Habersham HarvestFest

EARLY WINTER

November

Penn Center Heritage Days

Santa Elena Lowcountry Fair with Historical Flair

December 1st Weekend

Friday Night Lights

Saturday Parade of Boats

Sunday Downtown Holiday Parade