Explore the rich cultural heritage of the south-central United States on an eight-day trip. Enjoy cowboys and cattle drives in Texas; Native American traditions in Oklahoma; bayou bass fishing and the Big Easy in Louisiana

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Day 1-Grapevine, TX

- Welcome to Grapevine, host city to Dallas Fort Worth International Airport!
- Enjoy dinner, a wine tasting and, if you're feeling up to it, live entertainment in Historic Downtown Grapevine (Tuesday-Sunday).

Day 2-Grapevine, TX-Fort Worth, TX

- Browse unique shops, galleries, winery tasting rooms and bistros in Historic Downtown Grapevine.
- Board the train at Grapevine Main station for the Historic Fort Worth Stockyards (either the Grapevine Vintage Railroad or TEXRail commuter rail).
- Shop Stockyards Station, visit the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame or saddle up to the bar in one of the Fort Worth Stockyards saloons. And don't forget to view the Fort Worth Herd Cattle Drive.

This evening, enjoy the Stockyards Championship Rodeo (Friday & Saturdays only) and a visit to Billy Bob's Texas (the world's largest honky tonk), or return to Grapevine for live entertainment available on Main Street.

Day 3-Grapevine, TX-Sulphur, OK-Oklahoma City, OK

- Start your morning with shopping at Grapevine Mills mall, north Texas' largest outlet shopping destination with 180+ stores, plus SEA LIFE Grapevine Aquarium, LEGOLAND® Discovery Center, Peppa Pig World of Play and more.
- Before heading north to Oklahoma, plan a stop at Southfork Ranch, made famous by the Ewing Family in the television series "Dallas." Lunch can be enjoyed here before hitting the road for Oklahoma.

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Day 3 cont.—Sulphur, OK-Oklahoma City, OK

- Just two hours north, explore the many types of activities and exhibits at the Chickasaw Cultural Center in Sulphur, Oklahoma, including the Spirit Forest.
- Indulge yourself at Bedré Fine Chocolate, the only Native American-owned chocolate company in the world, famous for their chocolate-covered potato chips.
- Continue on to Oklahoma City, the capital of Oklahoma, where you will enjoy dinner and an overnight stay.

Day 4—Oklahoma City, OK

- Trot over to Remington Park Racing and Casino for a Stable Tour and see the workings of an active Quarter and Thoroughbred horse track.
- Enjoy the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum, America's premier institution of Western history, art and culture. Lunch can be enjoyed here.
- Reflect at the Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum and experience the day of April 19, 1995 and the events that followed the Oklahoma City bombing.
 - Experience the First Americans Museum, opening in spring of 2021. This museum shares our American history through the lens and collective stories of 39 distinct tribal nations in Oklahoma today.

Day 4 cont.—Oklahoma City, OK

- This evening experience dinner and a canal ride through Bricktown, the Southwest's fastest growing entertainment district, boasting over 50 eateries and nightclubs.
- If you're feeling lucky, the night can continue with optional gaming time at Remington Park.

Day 5—Oklahoma City, OK–Durant, OK– Shreveport, LA

- Start your morning off with breakfast in Historic Stockyards City and tour the National Stockyards Exchange.
- On the way to Durant, stop for lunch at Blake Shelton's Ole Red in Tishomingo, Oklahoma, about two hours outside of Oklahoma City.
- In Durant, visit the brand new Choctaw Cultural Center. Learn of the traditions of The Choctaw Nation with a journey into their past and an interactive exhibit on the current and future of the Nation.



Day 5 cont.—Shreveport, LA

 In the evening, enjoy Bossier City's East Bank District & Plaza, the only open container district in Louisiana outside of New Orleans. In the half-mile entertainment district, visitors can find restaurants, an antique shop, a brewery, an axe throwing bar and more. The district is conveniently located within walking distance of four casinos, Louisiana Boardwalk Outlets and several hotels.

Day 6—Shreveport, LA—Alexandria, LA— New Orleans, LA

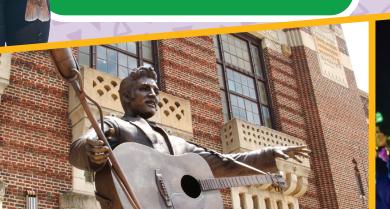
- Start your morning in the swampy bayou country on the beautiful Caddo Lake, located on the border of Louisiana and Texas and just a short drive away from Shreveport and Bossier City. Here, you can enjoy a bass fishing experience with a professional guide.
- Before heading south, tour the Shreveport Municipal Auditorium. Walk in the footsteps of music legends and stand on the stage where idols like Elvis Presley, Hank Williams and Johnny Cash got their start on the Louisiana Hayride radio program.
- From Shreveport, travel one hour and 45 minutes to Alexandria. History comes to life at Kent Plantation House, a pristine example of French Creole architecture and the oldest structure standing in Central Louisiana. Let guides in period costume show you the main home, milk house, kitchen, blacksmith shop and the sugar mill.
 - Glimpse life on a working plantation at Loyd Hall
 Plantation and hear about the spirit of the Civil War
 soldier who was killed and buried under the home.
 Depending on the season, you may see sugar cane, cotton or corn
 growing in the Bayou Boeuf area.
 - From Alexandria, continue on to **New Orleans** (three hours and 15 minutes).

Day 7—New Orleans, LA

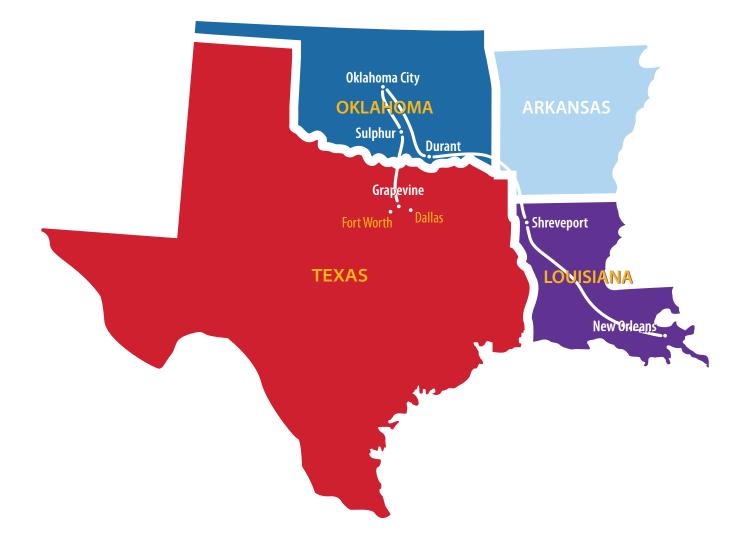
- Get your first taste of the Big Easy bright and early with café au lait and a plate of sweet beignets from **Café Du Monde**.
- The best way to get to know New Orleans is by foot. Choose from a wide variety of French Quarter walking tours, including historical, haunted, architectural or cocktail, to name a few.
- Take a break and enjoy a muffuletta at Central Grocery or try the many local dishes, such as Gumbo or Jambalaya, at the French Market.
- Spend the afternoon people watching and shopping in Jackson Square, on Royal Street and along the Mississippi River.
- Since you are only in town for a short time, a dinner at one of our famous restaurants like Antoine's, Galatoire's, Tujague's or Broussard's will not only offer you a great meal but a history lesson as well.
- No trip to New Orleans is complete without a stop on Bourbon Street for lively music and cocktails, but don't forget to venture a little further to Frenchmen Street where the locals go! Remember, there is no last call so take advantage of a few extra hours to enjoy the entertainment and atmosphere.

Day 8—Return Home

 Depart Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport for home.







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